

BCCF E-MAIL BULLETIN #296

Your editor welcomes any and all submissions - news of upcoming events, tournament reports, and anything else that might be of interest to B.C. 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

April Active and potluck (April 26) by Joe Roback



This April's tournament was the largest active in recent memory. Combined with the Junior section there were a total of seventy-nine participants with forty-two players in the Open section. The tournament was also a training session for Team BC (who included the top chess students of each elementary/high school grade from this year's chess challenge). The players of the BC Team typically compete with the Washington State Team in an historic annual match and with other provinces. For the April Active, Team BC was given free entry with an optional potluck item or a \$5 discount if they wanted to compete for prizes.

National Master Alfred Pechisker (who also has a master's degree in genetics) scored a perfect 6.0/6 result this month. This won Alfred a clear placement of the \$250 guaranteed first-place prize. Alfred is essentially the BC-chess equivalent of King Midas in Greek Mythology: despite strong competition he has the ability to turn an active or a CFC Open tournament into solid gold. Last month Alfred also won the West Vancouver Open for a clear first of \$600.

Davaa-Ochir Nyamdorj and Jason Kenney tied for second and the prize for \$137.50 each. Jofrel Landingin won the first U1900 prize, while there was a three-way split for the second U1900 category: Uranchimeg Nyamdorj, James Li, and Nathaniel Knox. Jim Guo was clear first U1500 for \$90. Chuyang Gu and An Yu split the second U1500 prize for \$45 each.

A special thanks to all the players who helped analyze games with our Team BC participants. A very special thanks to everyone who participated in the potluck which was a lot of fun and a success in my book. See you at the next one and good luck on your exams!



[In the junior-only sections, U1200 and U800, Connor Chai, Anna Van and Bill Wang and Ciro Zhang, Jason Chen and Nicholas Yang were the respective trophy winners, while a total of twenty-one players who scored 2.0 points or more won medals. [Full standings](#); [photos](#)]

Niagara Falls Open (April 24-26)

While visiting family and friends in Ontario Paul Leblanc also took in a chess tournament, the Niagara Falls Open. Paul finished with 50% in a field of fifty-six players; overall winner was Razvan Preotu with a perfect score, a half-point ahead of Joseph Lentini (who avoided getting paired with Preotu by drawing a game in round two). [Crosstable](#)

Peter Yee Memorial Active Fundraiser #1 (April 25)



Alonso Campos and Brian McLaren (photo by Joe Roback)

We noted recently the passing of BCCF executive member Peter Yee. His long-time friend, BCCF President Alonso Campos, plans to hold a CFC and FIDE rated memorial tournament in the future,

and to this end has scheduled fundraising active events on the last Sunday of four consecutive months. The first fundraiser was held on April 25, attracted seven players, and Brian McLaren and James Chan tied for first with 5.0/6. Watch for the upcoming events. [EAC Chess Arts](#)

2nd Stan Rogers Memorial (April 17-19)

Last year a memorial tournament was held in honour of Stan Rogers, the prominent Chilliwack business who died suddenly a year ago. The previous edition was an active event, but for this year the club expanded the tournament into a full five-round Swiss over an entire weekend.

“Congratulations to Gerry Neufahrt and Steve Kelso, the winners of the Stan Rogers Memorial 2015. It was a hard fought contest, with Ryan Branch, Brian Sullivan and Matt Ehrenreich (last year's winner) finishing in a tie for third. David Mackay took the best junior player award and Lorne Kay won the best unrated player (newcomer) award. Congrats to all and thanks again to the Chilliwack Lawn Bowling Club for allowing us to host the tournament at their place this year.”



Gerry Neufahrt and Steve Kelso

[From the Chilliwack Chess Club [Facebook](#) page, also where the crosstable may be found. Personally it's great to see Gerry Neufahrt playing competitively again after a long hiatus.]

B.C. Closed Qualifiers

With the one hundredth B.C. Championship scheduled for next October, here are the qualifiers from the first four qualification events:

Jason Cao (defending champion)
John Doknjas (B.C. Junior Champion)
Tanraj Sohal (B.C. Open)
Bindi Cheng (Grand Pacific Open)

There are two qualification events left, the Paul Keres Memorial and the Langley Open, plus two players to be taken from the ratings list. The full criteria for selection can be found [here](#).

Game Annotation Guidelines

Also to be found on Facebook are some guidelines on how to prepare game annotations, by [Nick Beqo](#).

GRAND PACIFIC OPEN (April 3-6) by Roger Patterson



(photo by Mark Dutton)

The 9th Annual Grand Pacific Open drew 114 or 116 entries depending on whether one counts floaters or not. Not quite a record but still a good turnout. Players came from eight different provinces and states including two not normally showing up in the CFC tournament database, Saskatchewan and North West Territories!

The fight at the top was tough this year. By round two, none of the top four favourites had managed to win all their "easy" games - all of them giving up a half point (and in some cases, lucky the damage wasn't more). When all was said and done, 5.0 points was the magic number to win with BC Junior Champion John Doknjas and BC Champion FM Jason Cao tying for first place with John taking the trophy on tiebreak. As I understand it, this is also John's final norm for the NM title so he can finally put some letters in front of his name :-). As all of the higher finishing players have already qualified, IM Bindi Cheng took the qualifying spot for the BC Closed although I don't think he was too worried about not qualifying by rating :-0.



The winners, Jason Cao and John Doknjas, sandwiched between organizers Paul Leblanc and Roger Patterson (photo by Victoria Jung-Doknjas)

Games, crosstables, photos, and results from the side events are all available via this link. If you are playing through some of the games, you can't go wrong looking at Day-Roback (an example of the extreme hyper modernism that used to be typical of Canadian and especially BC Chess) and Cao-Day, a real barn burner that didn't quite work out. One has the impression that Lawrence Day should have gotten more points out of those games than the half point he did get. Points for chess creativity!

As always thanks to our sponsors, all the individual donors, and volunteers who all helped to make the event happen. Also thanks to our TD, Mark S. Dutton IA, and our side event TD, Elliot Raymer. Organizers: Brian Raymer, Paul Leblanc, Roger Patterson; TD: Mark S. Dutton, IA, IO

Prize Winners:

Premier Section:

1st -2nd John Doknjas \$800+trophy, Jason Cao \$800
3rd (tie) Tanraj Sohal, Bindi Cheng & Harry Moore \$135 each
Qualification spot to BC Closed: Bindi Cheng

U2100:

1st: Roger Patterson \$475+trophy
2nd (tie) Luke Pulfer, Richard Ingram, Peter Kalisvaart, Anthony He, Joe Roback; \$75 each

U1900 Section:

1st-3rd (combined with 1st U1700): Kent Cronin (U1900 trophy), Arthur Milne (U1700 trophy), Neil Doknjas \$370 each

U1700:

2nd: Praver Sharan \$250

U1400 Section:

1st: Zdenek Los \$200+trophy
2nd (tie): Dylan Fox, Daniel Shubin; \$50 each
U1000
1st Daniel Wang (trophy)

Other Prizes:

Top Women:

1st: Becca Lampman \$80
2nd: Naomi Bashkansky \$70
3rd: Annika Zhou \$60
4th: Anna Van \$50
5th: Anastasia Sasata \$40

Unrated (top score in any section) Semion Cepoi \$100

Biggest Upset: Denman Hertz; (523 points) \$100

Kalisvaart, Peter - Cheng, Bindi [A45] Grand Pacific op 9th Victoria (2.1), 04.04.2015

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bg5 Ne4 3.h4 c5 4.dxc5 Qa5+ 5.Nd2 Nxc5 6.hxc5 g6 7.Rh4 Nc6 8.Rc4 b6 9.cxb6 Qxb6
10.Rb1 Bg7 11.c3 0-0 12.e4 a5 13.Ng3 Bb7 14.Be2 e6 15.Kf1 Qa7 16.Ra4 Rfd8 17.b4 Bxc3
18.b5 Ne7 19.Qb3 Bb4 20.a3 Bc5 21.b6 Qb8 22.Qc3 Rc8 23.Rxa5 Rxa5 24.Qxa5 d6 25.a4 e5
26.Bc4 d5 27.exd5 Nxd5 28.Bxd5 Bxd5 29.Rc1 Qd6 30.Qb5 Bb7 31.Nb3 Bxb6 32.Rxc8+ Bxc8
33.Qe8+ Kg7 34.Qxe5+ Qxe5 35.Nxe5 f6 36.gxf6+ Kxf6 37.a5 Ba6+ 38.Kg1 Bxf2+ 39.Kxf2 Kxe5
40.Nc5 Bb5 41.Ke3 Bc6 42.g3 h5 43.Nd3+ Kf5 44.a6 Ba8 45.a7 g5 46.Kf2 h4 47.gxh4 gxh4
48.Kg1 ½-½

Day, Lawrence - Roback, Joe [A00] Grand Pacific op 9th Victoria (2.7), 04.04.2015

1.Nf3 c5 2.a3 g6 3.b4 Bg7 4.Nc3 d6 5.Bb2 Nc6 6.b5 Ne5 7.Nxe5 Bxe5 8.g3 Bg7 9.Bg2 e6 10.Qb1
Ne7 11.a4 0-0 12.a5 a6 13.b6 Rb8 14.Ne4 e5 15.f4 Nc6 16.0-0 Re8 17.e3 Qe7 18.Nc3 Be6
19.Nd5 Qd7 20.Nc7 Rec8 21.Nxe6 Qxe6 22.f5 Qe8 23.Bd5 Kh8 24.c4 Nb4 25.Bg2 Rd8 26.Bc3
Nc6 27.Bd5 Rd7 28.Rf2 Nd8 29.Qe4 f6 30.Raf1 Re7 31.fxc6 Qxc6 32.Qh4 Nf7 33.Rf5 Ng5 34.Qg4
Rf8 35.Kg2 Nf7 36.Qh4 Ng5 37.R1f2 Rd8 38.Qg4 Nf7 39.Qd1 Nh6 40.R5f3 f5 41.Re2 Rf8 42.Rf1
Ng4 43.Kh1 Nf6 44.Bg2 Ng4 45.h3 Nf6 46.Qe1 Nh5 47.Kh2 Rd8 48.Qf2 Rf8 49.Bd5 Bh6 50.Qg2
Nf6 51.Bxb7 Rxb7 52.Qxb7 Ne4 53.Rg1 Qh5 54.Reg2 Ng5 55.h4 Nf3+ 56.Kh1 Qg4 57.Rh2 Nxc3
58.Kxc3 59.Rf2 Bxe3 60.dxe3 Qxc3 61.Qe7 Kg8 62.Qe6+ Kg7 63.Qxd6 Qxe3 64.Kg2 f4
65.Qe7+ Kg8 66.gxf4 Qe4+ 67.Kh2 Rxf4 68.Qg5+ Kf7 69.Rxf4+ exf4 70.Qxc5 Qe2+ 71.Kh1 Qe1+
72.Kg2 Qg3+ 73.Kf1 Qh3+ 74.Kf2 ½-½

Cao, Jason - Day, Lawrence [B07] Grand Pacific op 9th Victoria (4.3), 04.04.2015

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.f3 e5 4.d5 Nxe4 5.fxe4 Qh4+ 6.Kd2 Qxe4 7.Nc3 Qg6 8.Qf3 f5 9.Bb5+ Nd7
10.Nge2 Be7 11.Ng3 0-0 12.Rf1 Nc5 13.b4 e4 14.Qe2 Nd7 15.Qh5 Ne5 16.Qxc6 hxc6 17.Nge2
a5 18.Rb1 c6 19.dxc6 bxc6 20.Ba4 axb4 21.Rxb4 d5 22.Rb1 Rd8 23.Nd4 Bd7 24.Rb7 Bf6 25.Rd1
f4 26.Ke1 Bg4 27.Bxf4 Bxd1 28.Kxd1 Nc4 29.Nde2 Na5 30.Rb6 Rf8 31.Bxc6 Nxc6 32.Rxc6 Bxc3
33.Rxc3 Rxa2 34.g3 Ra1+ 35.Kd2 Rh1 36.h4 Rf1 37.Rc7 Rf7 38.Rc8+ Rf8 39.Rxf8+ Kxf8 40.Nc3
Rf2+ 41.Kc1 Kf7 42.Nxd5 Ke6 43.Ne3 Kd7 44.Kb2 Kc6 45.Kc3 Kc5 46.Ng4 Rf3+ 47.Kd2 Ra3
48.Ne5 Kd4 49.c3+ Rxc3 50.Be3+ Rxe3 51.Nc6+ Kc5 52.Kxe3 Kxc6 53.Kxe4 Kd6 54.Kf4 Ke6
55.Kg5 Kf7 56.g4 Kf8 57.Kxc6 Kg8 58.g5 Kh8 59.h5 Kg8 60.h6 gxh6 61.Kxh6 1-0

Doknjas, John - Cao, Jason [E49] Grand Pacific op 9th Victoria (5.1), 05.04.2015

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e3 0-0 5.Bd3 d5 6.Nge2 dxc4 7.Bxc4 c5 8.0-0 Nc6 9.a3 Bxc3
10.bxc3 Qc7 11.Ba2 b6 12.Bb2 Ba6 13.Re1 Rfd8 14.Qa4 Na5 15.Rac1 Rac8 16.Ng3 Qc6 17.Qd1
Nc4 18.Bxc4 Bxc4 19.e4 Ba6 20.a4 Bb7 21.Qb3 Qd7 22.f3 cxd4 23.cxd4 Rxc1 24.Rxc1 Rc8
25.Rxc8+ Qxc8 26.Ne2 Qd7 27.Qb4 Bc6 28.a5 bxa5 29.Qxa5 h6 30.Qc3 ½-½

Sohal, Tanraj - Doknjas, John [A61] Grand Pacific op 9th Victoria (6.1), 06.04.2015

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 e6 4.Nc3 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.Nf3 g6 7.Nd2 Nbd7 8.e4 Bg7 9.Nc4 Nb6 10.Ne3
0-0 11.Bd3 Rb8 12.0-0 Re8 13.Re1 h5 14.f3 h4 15.Nc2 Nh7 16.Be3 g5 17.Qd2 Nd7 18.Nb5 Bxb2
19.Nxd6 Bxa1 20.Nxa1 Rf8 21.f4 f6 22.g3 gxf4 23.gxf4 Kh8 24.Qf2 Qe7 25.Nf5 Qf7 26.Qxh4 Rg8+
27.Kh1 Qg6 28.Rg1 Qf7 29.Nc2 Rxc1+ 30.Bxc1 Nb6 31.Nh6 Qg6 32.Bxc5 Kg7 33.Bd6 Ra8
34.Nf5+ Bxf5 35.exf5 Qf7 36.Ne3 Re8 37.Qg3+ Kh8 38.Bc5 ½-½

BRUCE HARPER ANNOTATES

Harper, Bruce - Opponent [A00] ICC 3 0 Internet Chess Club

1.g3 [0:02:59] 1...d5 [0:03:00] 2.Bg2 [0:02:59] 2...c6 [0:02:59] 3.d3 [0:02:57] 3...Nf6 [0:02:58]
4.Nc3 [0:02:57] 4...e5 [0:02:57] 5.e4 [0:02:55] We've seen this before. 5.e4 isn't the best move, but
it's not bad in 3-minute chess. 5...Be6 [0:02:56] 6.f4!? [0:02:54] 6...exf4 [0:02:53] 7.gxf4 [0:02:52]
7...dxe4 [0:02:51] 8.dxe4 [0:02:52]



8...Qb6!? [0:02:46] More ambitious than 8...Qxd1+,
which leads to an imbalanced, but roughly equal,
position. 9.Nge2!? [0:02:40] Objectively not the best,
but White tries to provoke Black's next move.
9...Ng4!? [0:02:41] 10.Nd4!? [0:02:22]



White spent a long time on this move (18 seconds), not
so much trying to figure out whether it was best, but
rather trying to see whether or not it just lost on the
spot. It doesn't, and it sets a nasty trap. 10...Bc5?
[0:02:36] Black can't resist this superficially powerful
move, as he sees that 11.Na4 can be answered by
11...Qa5+, while many other White moves lose right
away. Many, but not all.

11.Nxe6! [0:02:19] The exclamation mark isn't so much because this move is difficult (it isn't) or
because it's strong (it is), but because I like it. The main point is that Black can't play 11...Qf2 mate,
because his c5-bishop is in the way. 11...Nf2?! [0:02:27] 11...Bf2+ 12.Kf1 Qa6+ 13.Qd3 Qxd3+
15.cxd3 was better, but Black will end up down a piece without much to play for. What actually
happens is much more entertaining. 12.Qh5 [0:01:45]



You seldom get to play such an all-purpose move! White's queen eludes the attack from Black's f2-knight, pins Black's f7-pawn, preventing it from capturing White's e6-knight, and also attacks Black's c5-bishop (sideways moves are almost as hard to see as backwards diagonal moves, which of course are the worst). **12...Nxh1** [0:01:55] **13.Nxc5** [0:01:42] I am very impressed by the fact that the engine likes many of White's moves here. Black's king is shaky, but it also helps that White is already up material, Black's h1-knight is trapped, and Black's queen also has to be careful. **13...Nf2** [0:01:47] **14.Qe5+!** [0:01:35] **14...Kf8** [0:01:44] **15.Kxf2** [0:01:34] **15...Nd7** [0:01:41] **16.Qd6+** [0:01:33] **16...Kg8** [0:01:39] **17.N3a4!** [0:01:30]



By far the strongest move. White's material advantage is increasing move by move, and Black's h8-rook is awful. I really like playing positions like this. Don't you? **17...Qb4** [0:01:26] **18.Qxd7** [0:01:25] **18...b6** [0:01:25] **19.Bd2** [0:01:21] 19.c3, which I actually looked at, is stronger, as it traps Black's queen (19...Qb5 or 9...Qc4 20.Bf1), but I thought I should develop, just to be on the safe side. **19...Qc4** [0:01:21] **20.Qd3** [0:01:14] And here 20.Bf1 Qxc2 21.Rc1 wins Black's queen, but it's hard to enjoy a position and calculate at the same time. White's advantage seemed big enough as it was. **20...Qxd3** [0:01:11] **21.Nxd3** [0:01:13] **21...Rd8** [0:01:08] **22.Nc3** [0:01:10]



The smoke has cleared, and White has a significant advantage - four (!) pieces for a rook, with one of Black's rooks being stupid. **22...h5** [0:01:06] **23.e5** [0:01:09] **23...g6** [0:01:05] **24.Bxc6** [0:01:07] **24...Kg7** [0:01:04] **25.Bf3** [0:01:04] At this point, with each player having about a minute left, I was just trying to avoid being irritated that Black hadn't resigned. Instead I tried to force myself to enjoy his suffering, since obviously he was. **25...Rhe8** [0:01:02]



26.Rg1! [0:01:03] White hits on a plan! Mate. **26...Rd4** [0:01:01] **27.Ne4** [0:00:58] **27...Rc8** [0:00:59] **28.Bc3** [0:00:56] **28...Rd7** [0:00:56] **29.e6+** [0:00:55] Oops. **29...Rxc3** [0:00:53] **30.exd7** [0:00:54]



Now Black's position is not good, because White will get a queen. After a spite check (and capture!), Black resigned. According to the engine, that was a good idea, because the evaluation is +22.78 for White. **30...Rxc2+** [0:00:52] **31.Ke3** [0:00:53] Black resigns. **1-0**

GREATER VANCOUVER CHESS LEAGUE 2

In [Bulletin 293](#) we examined the Greater Vancouver Chess League which began operation in December of 1917. Due to a lack of information we do not know how long this league lasted; the *Canadian Chess Magazine*, published in North Vancouver, folded in January 1920, while the chess column which appeared in the *Colonist* newspaper until May 1931 rarely featured local news and makes no mention of a league at all. One suspects that such a competition would certainly not be viable during the Great Depression (began 1929), but it could have ended at any point in the previous decade.

There is very little B.C. chess information of any sort between 1931 and the end of the Second World War, presumably a reflection of the amount of activity during that time, but at the beginning of 1947 we find a new league being formed:

At a meeting of the B.C. Chess Federation the first Chess League in Vancouver was formed. The Chairman of that meeting was Mr. D. Creemer, President of the Vancouver Jewish Chess Club. Clubs affiliated to the League are: the Vancouver Chess Club, the City

Chess Club, the Jewish Chess Club, the University Chess Club, the Russian Chess Club and the Britannia Chess Club. [*Jewish Western Bulletin*, 10 January 1947]

Presumably the author was not aware of the original league in 1917, although there were members of the listed clubs who had been participants (B.A. Yates, A. Stevenson, C.F. Millar). The new league operated until at least 1973 in two divisions, Major or “A” and Minor, Intermediate, or “B.” Matches were generally held over six boards, except in some years the major division had only four boards. The dividing line between the two divisions is not precisely indicated, apart from a note in the 1968 BCCF Minutes that players rated over 1800 would not be allowed to represent a “B” division team. The number of teams varied in any given year; there are a few examples of the major division being contested by just two teams, while in 1963 there was a record eleven teams vying in the minor division. The time control is not indicated, but fifty moves in two hours was a standard control for serious games in the 1950s. The prize for the major champions was a cup originally donated by Frank Reeve, owner of Duff’s Café; in 1953 there is reference to a Howard Fletcher Trophy, but this appears to be the newspaper confusing Frank Reeve with Howard Fletcher, who had been Reeve of West Vancouver the previous year.

A compiled list of Major Division winners (all should carry the appellation “Chess Club,” omitted for convenience):

1947	City	1956	City over UBC on tiebreak	1965	Hungarian
1948	Jewish	1957	City	1966	City
1949	City	1958		1967	City
1950	City	1959	City	1968	City
1951		1960	City and Vancouver (tied)	1969	
1952	Vancouver	1961	City	1970	Vancouver 2
1953	City	1962	City	1971	
1954	City	1963	Continental	1972	
1955	City	1964	Continental	1973	Vancouver

The most frequent winners were the City Chess Club, formed in 1946 by disaffected players when the original Vancouver Chess Club moved out of the downtown area. Many of the stronger players eventually gravitated to the City CC, hence their large number of championship wins. Furthermore, by 1970 the old Vancouver CC had ceased operations and the City CC took over the Vancouver name, so the wins in 1970 and 1973 are actually the renamed City CC. Another strong club at the beginning was the Jewish CC, but after the untimely passing of founding members Abe Helman (March 1952) and Dave Creemer (December 1953) the club no longer participated in the league. Not all the clubs were from Vancouver itself – at various times there were teams from West Vancouver, North Vancouver, New Westminster, Burnaby, and an amalgamated squad representing Abbotsford, Mission, and White Rock.

We do not have space to examine every year in detail; we shall concentrate on 1956, given that full results are available from the rating report originally sent to the CFC, now at Library and Archives Canada. In that year there were five teams in the major competition, City, UBC, Knights, Bishops, and West Vancouver; both the Knights and Bishops teams were composed of players from the Vancouver CC. 1956 was a year when the major matches were contested over four boards, and two of the teams, UBC (Butkov, F. May, Burgess, Maier) and the Bishops (Pilkington, Fillery, Blinder, Bryant) had only the minimum four players. West Vancouver had five players (Arden, Savchenko, Douglas, Mrs. McLeod, Dournovo), while six players were used by the two remaining

teams, City (Jursevskis, Duval, Pratt, Money, Ridout, Taylor) and the Knights (Zerkowitz, Kegel, Neufahrt [yes, the same Gerry Neufahrt whose picture appears on page 3], Patty, Prentice, J. May). City and UBC tied for first with identical 3-1-0 records, the tie being broken by game points (UBC had given up a higher number of draws). The Knights and Bishops tied 1-1-2, while West Vancouver lost all their matches.



Walter Jursevskis

Jack Taylor

Best individual scorers were Walter Jursevskis and Jack Taylor for City and Jack Patty and John Prentice for the Knights (all 2.5/3), while Eugene Butkov, Frank May (both UBC), and Maurice Pratt (City) scored 3.0/4. City and UBC only lost one game each, in the drawn match with each other:

Butkov, Eugene - Duval, Leo M. [B68] Interclub team, UBC-City, Vancouver, 21.02.1956

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Bg5 e6 7.Qd2 a6 8.0-0-0 Bd7 9.f4 Be7
 10.Nf3 Qc7 11.Be2 0-0-0 12.Bh4 Qa5 13.Nd4 Nxd4 14.Qxd4 Qc5 15.Qxc5+ dxc5 16.e5 Nd5
 17.Bxe7 Nxe7 18.Ne4 Bc6 19.Nxc5 Bxg2 20.Rhg1 Rxd1+ 21.Bxd1 Bd5 22.Rxg7 Rf8 23.Bh5 Ng6
 24.Rxh7 Nxf4 25.Bxf7 a5 26.b3 b5 27.h4 a4 28.bxa4 bxa4 29.Kb2 Rd8 30.h5 Kb8 31.h6 Rc8
 32.Nd7+ Ka7 33.Nf6 Kb6 34.Nxd5+ exd5 35.Rg7 1-0



Eugene Butkov

Leo Duval

Money, William T. - Burgess, R.E. [C55] Interclub team, City-UBC, Vancouver, 21.02.1956

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Nf6 4.0-0 Be7 5.d3 0-0 6.a3 d5 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Re1 Bf6 9.h3 Be6 10.Bd2 Re8 11.Nc3 Nxc3 12.Bxc3 Bxc4 13.dxc4 Qe7 14.Re4 Rad8 15.Qe2 Qd6 16.Re1 Re6 17.Nxe5 Rde8 18.f4 Bxe5 19.fxe5 Qe7 20.Qf2 Qd8 21.b4 b6 22.b5 Nb8 23.Rf1 R8e7 24.Qh4 a5 25.Ref4 Qe8 26.Rg4 Nd7 27.Rf5 Nxe5 28.Rxe5 Rxe5 29.Qf6 g6 30.Re4 1-0

Indicative of the strength of the City CC is the fact that between them the 1956 team members won a total of sixteen B.C. Closed Championships – Walter Jursevskis (6), Jack Taylor (5), Leo Duval (4), and Maurice Pratt (1).

For the 1973 competition, the following report appeared in the June 1973 issue of *Northwest Chess*:

The power-packed Vancouver Chess Club won the Vancouver Interclub, winning both the “A” and “B” sections quite handily. The rather small turnout of teams is probably due to the fact that for the last four years, the final results of the tournament have not been published! (Nor have they been known, in all probability).

There were three teams in the “A” Section and four in the “B” representing a total of four clubs: Vancouver, Kerrisdale, UBC, and Dunbar. It was presumably because of this “rather small turnout” that the league ceased operation – there is no mention of this team competition in later chess literature.

UPCOMING EVENTS

UBC Thursday Night Blitz (note the change of format)

Thursdays, 6:30 pm, Henry Angus Building, University of British Columbia
Entry fee \$10+, depending on number of players and whether rated or not
Contact Aaron Cosenza, xramis1@yahoo.ca, or see <https://www.facebook.com/UBCChess>

May Active

May 9, Vancouver Chess School
[Details](#)

Paul Keres Memorial

May 16-18, Richmond
[Details](#)

June Active

June 7, Vancouver Chess School
[Details](#)

B.C. Senior Championship

June 26-28, Surrey
[Details](#)

7th Bowser Builders Supply Open

August 9, Bowser
[Details](#)