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BC OPEN

After a year's absence the BC Open returned with a vengeance, attracting a total of 73 players! This turnout was the largest for a non-Keres weekend swiss in many a moon; why players suddenly decide to come out to this event in particular is unclear, although the promotional efforts of Peter Stockhausen certainly had their effect. The glorious weather shouldn't have been a contributing factor, although the forest-fire situation perhaps kept people at home.

The tournament began at the Vancouver Bridge Centre, but due to a double-booking transferred to the Croatian Community Centre on Commercial Drive for the last two days. There were some noise problems from a contemporary praise church and two wedding receptions, but the players took these in their stride (thank you!), and we are extremely grateful to Robert Topic and the Croatian Community Centre for accommodating us at such short notice, also for the cake and wine at the prize-giving ceremony.

The BC Open champion for this year is Jiri Jirka, a twenty year-old IM elect from the Czech Republic who is in Victoria for a month visiting family friends. He previously won a number of the Czech youth championships, and tied for first in this year's Czech Junior Championship. Jiri has three IM-norms to his credit, and is awaiting formal approval of his title from FIDE. He won the BC Open in convincing fashion, winning his first five games before agreeing to a draw in the last round.

Tied for second were Jack Yoos, Fanhao Meng, and Nigel Fullbrook with 4.5/6; also scoring 4.5 was Jesse Bouvier, who took the top U2100 prize. These four players also receive paid entries into the BC Closed Championship, to be held in Victoria at Thanksgiving. Second U2100 was Yamei Wang, who reached her 4 point total by beating Gerry Neufahrt and Joe Oszvald in the last two rounds.

Five players tied for the U1900 prizes: Curtis Lister, Tony Verma, Evgeni Goutor, Ernie Krzyzowski and Andrey Kostin.

In the U1800 Section Sumon Chai Phonchiangkong was running away with the tournament until he finally lost in the last round, but by that stage he was one-and-a-half points ahead of the field, so the loss did not affect his first place finish. Tying for second were Petr Labik, Richard Reid, and William Jung.

Tiffany Tang claimed the first U1600 prize, while five-players tied for second: James Taylor, Rodolfo Planas, Jamie Harper, Lesley Cheng, and Vlad Gaciu. The U1400 first prize was taken by Lo-Ching Chow, with Idaho junior Alvin Chi placing second.

Notable in both sections but especially in the U1800 were the strong performances put in by several junior players, many of whom are successfully making the transition from junior-only tournaments to open events with longer time controls. This bodes well for the future of BC chess, even if the young "upstarts" are causing discomfort for their elders. As one older player ruefully put it, "these juniors just don't hang pieces any more!"

Stephen Wright was the director, Katherine Davies the organizer.

Crosstable: bc open 2003

Yoos,J - Chan,J [C02] BC op Vancouver (1), 04.08.2003

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Bd7 6.a3 c4 7.Bf4 Na5 8.Nbd2 Qc7 9.Be2 0-0-0
10.0-0 Kb8 11.Qc2 h6 12.h4 Ne7 13.h5 Nc8 14.Nh2 Nb6 15.Ng4 Rc8 16.Ne3
Ba4 17.Qc1 Nb3 18.Nxb3 Bxb3 19.Bh2 Na4 20.f4 Be7 21.Bg4 Qc6 22.f5 Rcf8 23.Qd2
Bg5 24.Bf4 Bd8 25.Rf2 Qe8 26.Re1 Nb6 27.Qe2 a6 28.Bh3 Ba4 29.Qd2 Ka7 30.Qe2
Ka8
31.Ref1 Ka7 32.g3 Bd7 33.Qf3 Ka8 34.Bg4 Ka7 35.Qh1 Na8 36.Qh3 Nc7 37.Ng2 Bc8
38.Bc1 Kb8 39.fxe6 Nxe6 40.Qh1 Nc7 41.Bxc8 Kxc8 42.Ne3 Qe6 43.Nf5 Ne8 44.Qh3
Kb8 45.Qg4 Ka8 46.Ne3 Qxg4 47.Nxg4 f6 48.Ne3 Nc7 49.Rf5 Re8 50.exf6 Bxf6
51.Nxd5 Nxd5 52.Rxd5 Re2 53.Rdf5 Rhe8 54.R5f2 Rxf2 55.Kxf2 Ka7 56.Bf4 Kb6
57.Rd1 Rd8
58.Kf3 Kc6 59.Ke4 Re8+ 60.Be5 b5 61.Kf5 Rf8 62.Kg6 Kd5 63.Rf1 Ke6 64.Bxf6
gxf6 1-0

Neufahrt,G - Stockhausen,P [D02] BC op Vancouver (1), 02.08.2003

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Bf4 Bf5 4.e3 e6 5.Ne5 Bb4+ 6.c3 Be7 7.g4 Bg6 8.Nd2 0-0
9.h4 h5 10.Nxg6 fxg6 11.Bd3 Nxg4 12.Bxg6 Bxh4 13.Rf1 Qf6 14.Bxh5 Nxf2 15.Rxf2
Bxf2+ 16.Kxf2 Qh4+ 17.Kg2 Rf5 18.Bg4 Rf6 19.Nf1 Nc6 20.Nh2 Raf8 21.Qe1
Bxf2+ Qh7
22.Nf3 Qe4 23.Kg3 Ne7 24.Qd2 Nf5+ 25.Kf2 Nh6 26.Rg1 Nxg4+ 27.Rxg4 Qf5 28.Kg3
Rg6
29.Rg5 Qe4 30.Qh2 Rgf6 31.Rh5 Qg6+ 32.Ng5 1-0

Milicevic,D - Yoos,J [B26] BC op Vancouver (2), 02.08.2003

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7 5.d3 d6 6.Be3 e5 7.Qd2 Nge7 8.Bh6 Bxh6
9.Qxh6 Nd4 10.Qd2 Qa5 11.Nge2 Bg4 12.Nxd4 cxd4 13.Ne2 Qxd2+ 14.Kxd2 Bxe2
15.Kxe2
Rc8 16.Rac1 Rc5 17.c3 Nc6 18.Kd2 Ke7 19.Bh3 h5 20.c4 a5 21.b3 Nb4 22.Ra1 Na6
23.a3 Rb8 24.Rhb1 b5 25.b4 Rc7 26.bxa5 bxc4 27.dxc4 Ra8 28.f3 Nc5 29.Rb5 Rxa5
30.Rxa5 Nb3+ 31.Ke1 Nxa5 32.Bf1 Nb3 33.Ra2 Nc5 34.a4 Ra7 35.a5 f5 36.exf5 gxf5
37.Be2 Kf6 38.h4 Nb7 39.c5 dxc5 40.a6 Nd6 41.Rc2 c4 42.Bxc4 Nxc4 43.Rxc4 Rxa6
44.f4 Rd6 45.fxe5+ Kxe5 46.Rc8 Ke4 47.Ke2 d3+ 48.Kd2 Rg6 49.Re8+ Kf3 50.Re3+
Kg2 51.Rxd3 Rxg3 52.Rd8 f4 53.Rd5 f3 54.Rf5 Rg7 55.Ke3 Re7+ 56.Kf4 f2 57.Kg5
Re3 58.Rxf2+ Kxf2 59.Kxh5 0-1

Yoos,J - Spears,N [C30] BC op Vancouver (3), 03.08.2003

1.e4 e5 2.f4 Nf6 3.Nf3 Nxe4 4.d3 Nc5 5.fxe5 d6 6.d4 Ne6 7.exd6 Bxd6 8.Bc4 0-0 9.0-0
c6 10.Nc3 Qc7 11.Ne4 Bf4 12.Bxf4 Nxf4 13.Ne5 Nd5 14.Qh5 f6 15.Rf3 Nd7
16.Nxd7 Qxd7 17.Nc3 Rd8 18.Re1 g6 19.Qh4 g5 20.Qh6 Qg7 21.Bxd5+ cxd5 22.Qxf6
Qxf6 23.Rxf6 Kg7 24.Rf2 Bd7 25.Nxd5 Bc6 26.Ne7 1-0

Meng,F - Neufahrt,G [A42] BC op Vancouver (3), 03.08.2003

1.e4 g6 2.d4 c6 3.c4 d6 4.Nc3 Bg7 5.f4 h5 6.Nf3 Bg4 7.Be3 Nh6 8.Be2 Nd7 9.Qd2
Nb6 10.h3 Bd7 11.c5 Nc8 12.Rd1 d5 13.exd5 cxd5 14.Nxd5 Ba4 15.b3 Bxb3 16.Bb5+
Kf8 17.axb3 Qxd5 18.Bc4 Qd8 19.d5 Nf5 20.Bf2 Bf6 21.0-0 b6 22.b4 a5 23.d6
exd6 24.Bxf7 Kg7 25.g4 hxg4 26.hxg4 Nh4 27.Nxh4 Bxh4 28.Bd4+ Bf6 29.Bd5 1-0

Jirka,J - Yoos,J [E66] BC op Vancouver (4), 03.08.2003

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.g3 Bg7 4.Bg2 0-0 5.Nc3 d6 6.Nf3 Nc6 7.d5 Na5 8.b3 c5 9.Bb2
a6 10.0-0 Rb8 11.Nd2 b5 12.Qc2 Bh6 13.f4 bxc4 14.bxc4 Ng4 15.Nd1 Rxb2 16.Qxb2
Bg7 17.Qc1 e5 18.dxe6 Bxe6 19.Rb1 Bd4+ 20.Kh1 h5 21.Rf3 h4 22.e3 hxg3 23.hxg3
Bg7 24.Nf2 Re8 25.Qc2 Bf5 26.e4 Bd7 27.Nxg4 Bxg4 28.Rd3 Nc6 29.Qa4 Nd4 30.Nb3
g5 31.Nxd4 cxd4 32.Qc2 Qf6 33.Qf2 Be6 34.Rc1 Rc8 35.Rd2 Rxc4 36.Rxc4 Bxc4
37.Bf1 Bxf1 38.Qxf1 Qe6 39.Qg2 Qg4 40.Qf2 gxf4 41.Qxf4 Qh5+ 42.Rh2 Qd1+ 43.Kg2
d3
44.Qf3 Qd2+ 45.Qf2 Qg5 46.Qf4 Qc5 47.Kf3 d5 48.exd5 Qxd5+ 49.Qe4 Qb5 50.Rd2
Qb1 51.Qxd3 Qh1+ 52.Kg4 Bf6 53.Rf2 Kg7 54.Qf3 Qh6 55.Qf5 a5 56.a4 Qg6+
57.Qxg6+
Kxg6 58.Rc2 Be7 59.Rc6+ f6 60.Rb6 Bb4 61.Rb5 Bc3 62.Kf4 Bd2+ 63.Ke4 Be1 64.g4
Bd2 65.Rf5 Bc3 66.Kd5 Kf7 67.Kc4 Bb2 68.Rxa5 1-0

Schulte,O - Meng,F [C49] BC op Vancouver (4), 03.08.2003

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bb5 Bb4 5.0-0 0-0 6.d3 d6 7.Bg5 Ne7 8.Bxf6 gxf6
9.d4 Bxc3 10.bxc3 Ng6 11.Re1 Kh8 12.Bf1 Be6 13.d5 Bd7 14.Rb1 Qc8 15.Qd2 Nf4
16.Nh4 Rg8 17.f3 f5 18.g3 fxe4 19.Rxe4 f5 20.Rxf4 exf4 21.Qxf4 b6 22.Bd3 Qf8

23.Nxf5 Bxf5 24.Qxf5 Qg7 25.Re1 Raf8 26.Qh5 Rf6 27.Re6 Rgf8 28.Kg2 R8f7 29.f4
Re7 30.f5 Rfxe6 31.dxe6 Qf6 32.Qg4 h6 33.Qd4 Kg7 34.g4 Qe5 35.Qxe5+ dxe5 36.Bb5
Kf6 37.Kf3 h5 38.h3 hxg4+ 39.hxg4 Rh7 40.Ke4 Rg7 41.Kf3 Rg8 42.Be2 c6 43.a4
Rg7 44.Ke4 Rg8 45.c4 Rg7 46.c5 bxc5 47.Kd3 Rh7 48.Ke4 Rg7 49.c3 Rh7 50.Bf3 Rg7
51.Kd3 Rg8 52.Kc4 e4 53.Be2 Rh8 54.Kxc5 Rh2 55.g5+ Kxg5 56.e7 Rh8 57.Kd6 Kf6
58.Kd7 Rh7 59.Kxc6 Rxe7 60.Kd6 Rh7 61.Bb5 e3 62.Bd3 Rh2 0-1

Meng,F - Jirka,J [C61] BC op Vancouver (5), 04.08.2003

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Nd4 4.Nxd4 exd4 5.0-0 Bc5 6.Bc4 Bb6 7.d3 Ne7 8.e5 d5
9.exd6 cxd6 10.Bg5 d5 11.Bb5+ Kf8 12.c3 f6 13.Bf4 g5 14.Bd2 Nf5 15.Ba4 h5
16.cxd4 Nxd4 17.Be3 Bg4 18.Qd2 Ne2+ 19.Kh1 Qd6 20.f3 Bc7 21.g3 Nxc3+ 22.hxg3
Qxg3
23.Qg2 Qh4+ 24.Kg1 Bh3 25.Bc5+ Kg7 26.Bf2 Bxg2 27.Bxh4 Bxf1 28.Kxf1 gxh4
29.Nc3 Rad8 30.Re1 Be5 31.Bb3 Bxc3 32.bxc3 Rhe8 33.Rxe8 Rxe8 34.Bxd5 b6 35.Be4
Re5
36.a4 Kh6 37.c4 Kg5 38.Kg2 Kf4 39.Kh3 f5 40.Bc6 Re1 41.d4 Rh1+ 42.Kg2 Rc1 0-1

Yoos,J - Oszvald,J [B78] BC op Vancouver (5), 04.08.2003

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 Bd7 8.Qd2 Nc6
9.Bc4 Rc8 10.Bb3 Ne5 11.0-0-0 0-0 12.Bg5 Nc4 13.Bxc4 Rxc4 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nde2
Rc7 16.Bxf6 exf6 17.Nb5 Bf5 18.Nxc7 Qxc7 19.Nc3 Rc8 20.Qd6 Qc4 21.Qe7 h5
22.Rd8+
Rxd8 23.Qxd8+ Kh7 24.Qd5 Qc7 25.Ne4 Be6 26.Qc5 Qd8 27.Kb1 f5 28.Qd6 Bxa2+
29.Kxa2 Qa5+ 30.Qa3 Qxa3+ 31.Kxa3 fxe4 32.fxe4 f5 33.Kb3 Kh6 34.Kc4 Kg5 35.Kd3
Bf8 36.Ke3 Kg4 37.Rd1 Bc5+ 38.Ke2 Kf4 39.exf5 gxf5 40.Rd7 b5 41.Rd5 Bg1 42.Rxb5
Bxh2 43.c4 Ke4 44.Rd5 Bg1 45.b4 h4 46.Rd7 f4 47.c5 h3 48.gxh3 f3+ 49.Kf1 1-0

Jirka,J - Bouvier,J [A42] BC op Vancouver (6), 04.08.2003

1.d4 g6 2.c4 Bg7 3.g3 d6 4.Nf3 Nd7 5.Bg2 e5 6.Nc3 Ne7 7.0-0 0-0 8.e4 exd4
9.Nxd4 Nc6 10.Nxc6 bxc6 11.Qc2 Ne5 12.b3 Nf3+ Black offered a draw. 13.Bxf3 Qf6
14.Bf4 Qxc3 15.Qxc3 Bxc3 16.Rac1 Be5 17.Bh6 Rd8 18.Bg5 f6 19.Be3 c5 20.Rfd1 Bb7
21.Bg2 Bb2 22.Rc2 Ba3 23.Bd2 a5 24.Bc3 Re8 25.Re2 Kf7 26.f4 a4 27.e5 Bxg2
28.Rxg2 axb3 29.axb3 Rab8 Black offered a draw. -

Meng,F - Yoos,J [B22] BC op Vancouver (6.2), 04.08.2003

1.e4 c5 2.c3 Nf6 3.e5 Nd5 4.d4 cxd4 5.Nf3 e6 6.cxd4 b6 7.Nc3 Nxc3 8.bxc3 Qc7
9.Bd2 Bb7 10.Bd3 d6 11.0-0 Nd7 12.Re1 dxe5 13.Nxe5 Nxe5 14.Rxe5 Bd6 15.Rh5 g6
16.Rh4 0-0 17.f4 Bd5 18.Qa4 a6 19.Qd1 Bc4 20.Qf1 Rac8 21.Rh3 Bxd3 22.Rxd3 Qc4
23.Rf3 b5 24.Qe1 Rfe8 25.a4 Rb8 26.axb5 axb5 27.Qf1 Qd5 28.Qd3 Rec8 29.Rff1 b4
30.cxb4 Bxb4 31.Rfb1 Bxd2 32.Rxb8 Rxb8 33.Qxd2 Rd8 34.Ra4 Qe4 35.Rc4 h5 36.h3
Kh7 37.Kh2 Rd5 38.Rb4 Rd8 39.d5 Qxd5 40.Qb2 Kg8 41.Rb8 Rxb8 42.Qxb8+ Kg7
43.Qb2+ Kh7 44.h4 Qd8 45.g3 Qh8 46.Qb7 Qf6 47.Qc7 Kg7 48.Kg2 Qb2+ 49.Kf3 Qa1

50.Kg2 Qb2+ 51.Kf3 Qd4 52.Kg2 Qe3 53.Qb8 Qe2+ 54.Kh3 Qf1+ 55.Kh2 Qf2+ 56.Kh3
Qg1
57.Qa8 Qf1+ 58.Kh2 Qe2+ 59.Kh3 Qd1 60.Kh2 Qd2+ -

Oszvald,J - Wang,Y [B10] BC op Vancouver (6.7), 04.08.2003

1.c4 c6 2.e4 e5 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 d6 5.h3 g6 6.d4 Qc7 7.Bg5 Nbd7 8.Qd2 Bg7
9.Be2 0-0 10.0-0-0 Re8 11.d5 cxd5 12.exd5 a6 13.b3 Nc5 14.Qe3 Qa5 15.Kb2 Bf5 16.g4
Bd7 17.a3 Qc7 18.Rc1 a5 19.Nd2 Rec8 20.f3 Ne8 21.h4 f6 22.Bh6 Bh8 23.h5 g5
24.Nde4 a4 25.Nxc5 Qxc5 26.Bxg5 fxg5 27.Qxg5+ Kf7 28.b4 Qd4 29.Rhd1 Qf4 30.Ne4
Bf6 31.Qxf4 exf4+ 32.Ka2 b6 33.Bd3 h6 34.Nf2 Nc7 35.Bg6+ Kf8 36.Ne4 Be5 37.Rg1
b5 38.g5 hxg5 39.Nxg5 bxc4 40.h6 Nxd5 41.Be4 Nc3+ 42.Rxc3 Bxc3 43.Nh7+ 0-1

For the historically inclined, here is a list of BC Open winners since its inception in 1964;
if anyone knows what happened in 1977 or 1994, please let me know!

- 1964 James McCormick and Elod Macskasy
- 1965 Duncan Suttles and Elod Macskasy
- 1966 Duncan Suttles
- 1967 Ray Kerr
- 1968 Anthony Zaradic
- 1969 Duncan Suttles and Bob Zuk
- 1970 Anthony Zaradic
- 1971 Duncan Suttles
- 1972 Peter Biyiasas, Elod Macskasy, Stan Pakosta and Bob Zuk
- 1973 Duncan Suttles
- 1974 Brian McLaren
- 1975 Joe Oszvald

1976 Peter Biyiasas and Gordon Taylor
1977
1978 Peter Biyiasas and Gerry Vigier
1979 Bruce Harper
1980 Yasser Seirawan
1981 Gerry Forbes
1982 John Donaldson and Dan Scoones
1983 Ray Fasano
1984 Gordon Taylor
1985 Paul Brown
1986 Tom O Ç Donnell
1987 Tom O Ç Donnell
1988 Alex Kuznecov and Leon Piasetski
1989 Gary Basanta and Dave Ross
1990 Jonathan Berry
1991 Francisco Cabanas and Pierre Gladu
1992 Gerry Neufahrt and Rod Villaneuva
1993 Leon Piasetski
1994
1995 Gary Basanta
1996 Gary Basanta, Jim Ferguson and Dave Herder
1997 Gary Basanta
1998 Arash Samani

1999 Alfred Pechisker
2000 Hee Seid
2001 David Gliksman
2002 Not held
2003 Jiri Jirka

VICTORIA JULY MASTERS AND SUMMER QUAD by Mike Stanford

This tournament was organized by Mike Stanford to give some of the strong local players an opportunity to play in a FIDE-rated event. It took place at UVIC, and spanned the July 11-13 weekend. The ten players were divided into a six-player round robin and a quad; the winner of the RR was Jack Yoos. Second place went to Jeff Reeve, who was the only player to hold Jack to a draw. Howard Wu and Mike Stanford tied for third. Special thanks to Lynn Stringer for TDing the event, and billeting some out of towners.

The quad was won by George Kostadinov, who went without a loss, and second place went to Harry Moore with Manfredi Aquino and Paul Leblanc bringing up the rear.

Crosstables: July Masters 2003 , Victoria Summer Quad

Stanford,M - Milicevic,D [B12] July Masters Victoria (3.1), 12.07.2003 [Mike Stanford]

1.e4 c6 Hmmm, I didn't expect to see this! 2.d4 Na6 [This universal opening was christened "The Holey Wohly" by Tony Miles (see Heroic Tales: the Best of ChessCafe.com) in honour of Australian Aleks Wohl, who has beaten Nogueiras and Yermolinsky with it! - ed.] 3.Bd3 g6 [3...Nb4 4.Be2 5.c3] 4.c3 Nc7 5.f4 Bg7 6.Qf3 d5 7.e5 Nh6 [7...h5 With the idea of Nh6, Bf5 would be more active of a plan.] 8.h3 f5? During the game I couldn't quite understand why Dragoljub would play into such a closed position.. I think he just felt that his queenside play would be sufficient compensation for his lack of space... [If 8...Bf5 my intention was to play 9.Be2 and then g4 (after Nd2, of course) I think i'd still hold a small advantage.(9.Bxf5?! Nxf5 10.g4 Nh4 11.Qg3 e6=)] 9.Ne2 Be6 10.Be3 Qd7 11.Nd2 a5 12.b3 Just trying to keep him from getting activity on the qside. 12...0-0 During the game the first thought I had was to play Nf1-h2 and prepare for g4 push. But I thought this was a bit slow and wimpy, so I rejected it for the text. 13.Qf2 b5 14.a3 Rab8 15.Qh4 Na8 16.g4 Nb6 [16...fxg4?? 17.hxg4 Bxg4 (17...Nxc4?? 18.Qxh7+ Kf7 19.Bxg6#) 18.f5 A) 18...Nxf5 19.Qxh7+ Kf7 20.Nf4+-; B) 18...Bxe2 19.Bxh6 Bxd3 (19...Bh5 20.Qxh5 gxh5 21.Rg1 e6 22.f6)

20.Bxg7+- Qxf5 21.Qxh7+ Kf7 22.Bf6+; C) 18...gxf5 19.Bxh6 e6 20.Nf4+-; D) 18...Bxf5 19.Bxh6 Rf7 20.Bxg7 Rxg7 21.Bxf5 Qxf5 22.0-0-0 Qd3 23.Qg4+-; 16...b4? 17.cxb4 axb4 18.a4] 17.g5 Nf7 18.Qg3 Rfc8 [18...a4 19.b4 Nc4 20.h4 Rfc8 21.h5 Nxd2 22.Kxd2] 19.h4 Nd8 20.h5 Nb7 21.b4 axb4 22.axb4 Ra8 23.Kf2 [I contemplated playing 23.Rc1, but I didn't want to give him a chance to squeeze in with 2 rooks. Stronger is 23.Rxa8 Rxa8 24.Kf2 leads to the game but I'm up a tempo.] 23...Nc4 24.Qh3 [More accurate is 24.Nf3] 24...Kf7? [24...Nxd2 25.Rxa8 Rxa8 26.Bxd2 Bf7 27.hxg6 hxg6 leads to a slightly better position for me; a stronger defence would've been 24...Bf7] 25.Nf3 Qd8 26.Nh4 Rxa1 27.Rxa1 Ra8 28.Rh1 Qh8 [28...Ra2?? A) 29.Nxg6!? hxg6 30.hxg6+ A1) 30...Kg8 31.Bxf5 Bxf5 32.Qxf5 Qe8 33.Qe6+ Kf8 34.Rh6!+- I'm usually against putting exclams beside moves because one man's exclamation is another man's 'well duh', but I really think Rh6 is a cool move :) 34...Ra8 (34...Bxh6?? 35.gxh6 Nd8 36.g7#; 34...Nd8 35.Qh3 Kg8 36.Rh8+! Bxh8 37.Qh7+ Kf8 38.Qxh8#) 35.Qf5+ (also good is 35.Qh3 e6 36.Rh8+ Ke7 37.Rxe8+ Rxe8 38.Qh7 Kf8 Ne-g3-h5 and it's curtains.) 35...Kg8 36.Qh3 e6 37.Rh8+ Bxh8 38.Qh7+ Kf8 39.Qxh8+ Ke7 40.Qh7+ Kd8 41.g7; A2) 30...Kxg6 31.Qh5#; B) 29.hxg6+ 29...hxg6 30.Nxg6+-] 29.Ng3 Nd8 [29...Ra3 30.Nxg6] 30.Nxg6 Qg8 [30...hxg6 31.hxg6+ A) 31...Kg8 32.Qf1+- I did look a bit further during the game, but just felt that Q + N +g6p = good attack :). 32...Ra2+ 33.Be2 (not 33.Kf3?? Rh2-+); B) 31...Kxg6 32.Bxf5+ Kf7 33.g6+ Kf8 34.Qxh8+ Bxh8 35.Rxh8+-] 31.Nh4 Ke8 32.Bxf5 Bxf5 33.Qxf5+- from here on out all I thought about was neutralizing his small amount of counterplay. I didn't want to give him any reason to play on :) 33...e6 34.Qd3 Bf8 35.g6 h6 36.Rb1 [36.f5 I considered playing this right away, but I figured what's the rush? I don't really need to give his knight or queen the e6 square right away. so I took my time :)] 36...Be7 37.Ng2 Qf8 38.Bc1 Ra2+ 39.Kg1 Na3 40.Bxa3 Rxa3 41.Qd2 Kd7 42.Qb2 Ra4 43.Ra1 Rxa1+ 44.Qxa1 Ke8 45.Qb1 Bh4 46.Kh2 Be7 47.Kh3 Kd7 48.f5 Bg5 49.Kg4 exf5+ 50.Qxf5+ Qxf5+ 51.Nxf5 Ke8 52.Nf4 Kf8 53.e6 Bf6 54.Nxh6 c5 55.bxc5 b4 56.cxb4 Bxd4 57.Nf5 1-0

Stanford,M - Tegzes,L [B33] July Masters Victoria (4), 13.07.2003 [Mike Stanford]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Ndb5 d6 7.Bf4 e5 8.Bg5 a6 9.Na3 b5 10.Bxf6 [I thought about playing 10.Nd5 against him, but I liked the position Jeff got into.] 10...gxf6 11.Nd5 f5 12.Bd3 Be6 13.0-0 [13.Qh5 is another interesting variation;13...Rg8 leads to a sharp game.] 13...Bg7 14.Qh5 f4 15.c4 bxc4 16.Bxc4 0-0 17.Rac1 Ne7 18.Rfd1 Bxd5? [18...Ra7!? played by Tegzes vs. Reeve in a previous round; 18...Rc8 19.Nxe7+ Qxe7 20.Qe2] 19.Bxd5 Rc8 20.Nc4 Nxd5 [20...Rc5 21.b4 A) 21...Rb5 22.Bxf7+ Rxf7 23.Nxd6 Qf8 24.Nxf7 Qxf7 25.Rd8+ Bf8 26.Qg4+ A1) 26...Kh8 27.a3 (27.Rc7!?) ; A2) 26...Qg7 27.Qe6+ Qf7 28.Qd6; B) 21...Rc7] 21.Rxd5 Rc5 22.Rxc5 [22.Qd1 A) 22...Rxd5 23.Qxd5 f3 24.Ne3 Black has some counterplay, but I suspect that white has a slight advantage here.(24.gxf3?? Qg5+-+); B) 22...f3] 22...dxc5 23.Rd1 Qb8 24.Rd5 Qb4 25.Qe2 f5 26.f3 fxe4 27.Qxe4 Rb8 28.Rd7 Rf8 29.Qd5+ [29.a3 Qb3 30.Qd5+ Kh8 31.Qd3 Qa2 32.Rd8 h6 33.h3 Qa1+ 34.Kh2 Qe1 35.Rxf8+ Bxf8 36.Qg6 Qe2 37.Qe4] 29...Kh8 30.Kf1 e4 31.Rb7 [31.fxe4 f3 32.gxf3 Rxf3+ 33.Ke2 Rf8 34.Rd8+-] 31...Qa4 32.fxe4

Qxa2 33.Nd6 Qb1+ 34.Ke2 f3+ 35.Kd2?? [35.gxf3 Qc2+ 36.Qd2 Qxd2+ 37.Kxd2 Rxf3
(37...Rd8 38.Kc2 Rxd6 39.Rb8+ Bf8 40.Rxf8+ Kg7 41.Rf5+-) 38.Nf5] 35...Bh6+
36.Kc3 Bg7+ [36...f2 37.Qe5+ Kg8 38.Qe6+ Kh8 39.Qxh6 Qe1+ 40.Kb3 Qd1+ 41.Ka3
(41.Ka2?? Qa4+ 42.Kb1 f1R+-) 41...Qa1+=] 37.Kd2 Bh6+ -

UPCOMING EVENTS

New this time are announcements for the Labour Day Open and BC Closed:

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.

Nick Beqo's Sunday Tournaments

Practice your openings and improve your chess, by playing in a quiet and beautiful park! You get to know the pairings one day before, so you can study your opponents, and your home preparations will surprise us! Games, often annotated by players or masters, will be available.

Dates: Every Sunday (sunny or rainy), 12:00PM - 6:00PM Entry Fee: \$5.00 Free entry for the highest rated player!

Prizes: 1st - \$30.00 2nd - \$20.00.

Location: Bear Creek Park, Surrey, B.C. The covered area on 140th Street side.

The park is between King George Hwy, 140th Street, 88th Ave & 84th Ave.

To get there, you can take a bus from King George skytrain station.

Participants and pairings: based on FIDE or CFC ELO active rating system.

Time control: G15

Rounds: 11 Round Robin. 30min. break after the 6th round (3:00-3:30)

Sponsors: none (so far). All sponsors will be advertised on this website.

Registrations: via e-mail at: nickbeqo@hotmail.com Dead line: Friday 11:00 PM.

Bring your own chess set, and clock.

Note:

a) Sportsmanship is required. No draw offers or draw claims, unless DEAD DRAW!

This rule is not only because it is a speed chess tournament, but also because there would be no room for pre-arrangements in order to split the prize. It will be unfair to other players.

b) Rated events require at least 25 min time control. This will reduce both, the number of players for a round robin-event, and also the prizes, since a part of entry fees has to go to Federation. Depends on the number of players, I might run two events at the same time:

1. unrated tournament with 12 players, and 15 min time control.
2. rated tournament with 6 players, and 25 min time control.

c) I am organizing this tournament in order to help chess players, especially in Fraser Valley, as it is too far to play in Croatian Center or Vancouver Bridge Center. Therefore, chess players are going to make the tournament rules, not me. I am open to suggestions and make the respective changes.

Remember: 100% of the entry fees go to prizes!

II Friday Night Chess at the Croatian

Hosted by the Croatian Chess Club

DATES: August 8 + each Friday thereafter

TIME: 7:00 P.M

PLACE: Croatian Cultural Centre 3250 Commercial Drive Vancouver Entrance through the Members Lounge or Restaurant ENTRY FEE: Juniors and Seniors \$5; others \$10; free for members joining the

CFC*

TOURNAMENT TYPE: Round Robin or Double RR depending on entries. A Maximum of 10 Rounds. Players grouped according to CFC rating. 90 min / 30 moves + 1hour SD

PRIZES: Cash prizes based on entries

ORGANIZERS: Eduardo / Luis Azmitia Tel: 604- 582-5586 Robert Topic

MISC: Bring clocks and sets if possible. Byes available. Games missed can be played during the week at convenience of players. Late entrants welcome.

*Visit Chess Federation of Canada for details of membership to the Chess Federation of Canada.

2nd. Little Mountain Active Chess Tournament

DATES: Wednesdays August 20 & 27

TIME: 7:00 P.M (registration at 6:45 P.M.)

PLACE: Little Mountain Neighbourhood House. 3981 Main St. Vancouver. (near King Edward Ave.) ENTRY FEE: \$5 non rated section; \$10 rated section. Juniors and Seniors always \$5.

TOURNAMENT TYPE: 5 rounds; 30 min. game; Swiss pairings.

CATEGORIES: I) Open CFC rated* (open to any player with CFC rating and membership) II) Open non-rated (no restrictions) III) Junior rated

PRIZES: 1st Open rated, 1st Open non-rated, Best U1700, Best Juniors. The prizes include chess software, chess clocks, chess sets, and medals.

ORGANIZERS: Eduardo / Luis Azmitia Tel: 604- 582-5586 Carmen Miranda Tel: 604-879-7104

MISC: Bring clocks and sets if possible. 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)

*for details of membership visit Chess Federation of Canada

Mad Rapid (rated)

Sat., 23 August 2003

Vancouver Bridge Centre, 2776 E. Broadway, Vancouver, BC Guaranteed Prizes: First Place: \$150, First Under-2200 (CFC regular rating) \$60.

Format: 5 round swiss; TC: G/30; Byes: Rds. 1-4 max 1

Reg: 9-9:30am; Rds: 10am, 11:15am, 1pm, 2:15pm, 3:30pm;

EF: Jr or 1st time CFC annual members \$10, Others \$20; EF as minimum prize for masters and FIDE titled players (not eligible for class prizes).

Ratings: Rated by CFC active system. CFC/BCCF m/s required.

Pairings & Class Prizes will use regular (i.e. non-active) CFC ratings.

Misc: No smoking and no computers. Free Lunch will be provided for all players in the Mad Rapid!

FIDE Master Gary Basanta will be participating in all of the Mad Chess Festival events.

Simultaneous: Players may play in the Mad Rapid & the Mad Active at the same time.

Info: NTD Henry Chiu (604) 515-8046; madmadchess@hotmail.com; details @ www.chess.bc.ca

Mad Active (non-rated)

Sat., 23 August 2003; Vancouver Bridge Centre, 2776 E. Broadway, Vancouver, BC Guaranteed First Prize: \$100;

EF: \$10; No CFC m/s required. Non-rated event.

Reg: 9-9:30am; Format: 5 round swiss; TC: G/30; FIDE Master Gary Basanta will be playing. Players may play in Mad Rapid & Mad Active at the same time.

Info: NTD Henry Chiu (604) 515-8046; madmadchess@hotmail.com; www.chess.bc.ca

Mad Blitz

Sat., 23 August 2003; Vancouver Bridge Centre, 2776 E. Broadway, Vancouver, BC Guaranteed First Prize: \$100; Reg: 4:45-5pm

EF: \$5; Byes: Max 4; Format: 7 double round swiss; TC: G/5

Rules: FIDE blitz chess rules will be used, touch move in effect

Info: NTD Henry Chiu (604) 515-8046; madmadchess@hotmail.com; details @ www.chess.bc.ca

Mad Simul

Sat., 23 August 2003; Vancouver Bridge Centre, 2776 E. Broadway, Vancouver, BC FIDE Master Gary Basanta will be playing up to 30 <2200 players simultaneously using clocks!!!

Entry Fee: \$5 for one game, \$10 for two games (one white, one black); Reg:
8-8:15pm

TC: G/60; Colors: If player chooses white, master has draw odds.

Prizes: Double entry fee will be returned if player wins. Entry fee will be returned if player chose black and draws. Prizes may only be claimed by players who have been keeping score up until they have less than five minutes on clock. Touch move in effect.

Info: NTD Henry Chiu (604) 515-8046; madmadchess@hotmail.com; details @
www.chess.bc.ca

Labour Day Open, Victoria

DATES: August 30, 31 and Sept. 1st.

SITE: UVic H&S Development Bldg. Room 264.

TYPE: 6Rd. Swiss

RDS: 10:00, 4:00, Sunday 10:00, 4:00, Monday 9:00 and A.S.A.P.

ENTRY FEE: \$30.00, \$25.00 For Jrs. Srs.

PRIZES: Entry Fees minus expenses, returned as Prizes.

CONTACT: L. Stringer, 250 658-5207 or lynnstringer@shaw.ca

MISC: Please bring clocks and sets if possible.

Challenge the Masters Multi-Master Simul Tournament (A 2005 Elod Macskasy Memorial Fundraising Event)

Join fellow chess enthusiasts on Sunday, Sept 7, 2003, for a full day of entertainment by challenging three teams of masters in a 3 round simultaneous tournament. Here's your chance to play against teams consisting of GM Duncan Suttles, FM Jack Yoos, FM Bruce Harper, Fanhao Meng, and other masters/experts.

Date: September 7, 2003

Location: Vancouver Bridge Center, 2776 East Broadway (Broadway and Kaslo)

Registration: Sept 7, 9:00-9:30 am

Pre-registration: Deadline for pre-registration, Sept 1, 2003

Format: Three-round simultaneous.

Time Control 60 minutes for each side, with one-minute increments for the master teams.

Rounds: Round 1: 10:00 am; Round 2: 1:00 pm; Round 3: ASAP.

Entry fee: \$20 per adult. \$15 for juniors. Pre-register to guarantee a spot - participation will be limited to the first 40 registrants.

Equipment: scoresheets will be provided. Please bring set, and digital clock, if you have one.

Information: contact Richard Reid, (604) 589-4214, rreid@smartt.com

NOTE: This is a fundraising event, open to all, but limited to the first 40 entrants. The intent is to raise money to help bring titled players to the 2005 Elod Macskasy Memorial tournament, and thereby provide an opportunity for some of our local players to make IM and GM norms.

Culture Jam I Active

Date: Saturday September 13.2003

Location: Sprott-Shaw College, 2750 Rupert Street, Vancouver, BC

Rds: 5

Type: Regular 6-player Round Robin, CFC-rated

Time: 10 am start

Time control: G 30

Entry Fee: \$15

Prizes: 1st ChessBase CD; ALL players receive special prizes

TD/Reg: Vas Sladek, 604-787-4553, chessfm@shaw.ca

Notes: interested players must pre-register by phone or e-mail by September 1, no onsite registration; digital chess clocks and chess sets provided, CFC membership or \$10 event fee required; Sponsored by: Adbusters Media Foundation and Chess First! Enterprises, www.northshorechess.com

Conquest of Cool FIDE Invitational

Date: September 26-28, 2003

Place: Sprott-Shaw College, 2750 Rupert Street, Vancouver, BC

Rds: 5

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

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

TC: 120+30

EF: \$50 FIDE rated; \$80 FIDE unrated, minimum CFC rating 2000

Prizes: 1st \$150 plus ChessBase CD prize

Reg: interested FIDE-rated players please e-mail TD/Org: Vas Sladek, chessfm@shaw.ca or call 604-787-4553, 604-982-0611, players must pre-register by September 21, 2003, NO onsite registrations.

Misc: CFC membership required, no smoking, chess sets and clocks provided

Sponsors: Chess First! Enterprises www.northshorechess.com

Culture Jam II Active

Date: Saturday October 4.2003

Location: Sprott-Shaw College, 2750 Rupert Street, Vancouver, BC

Rds: 5

Type: Regular 6-player Round Robin, CFC-rated

Time: 10 am start

Time control: G 30

Entry Fee: \$15

Prizes: 1st ChessBase CD; ALL players receive special prizes

TD/Reg: Vas Sladek, 604-787-4553, chessfm@shaw.ca

Notes: interested players must pre-register by phone or e-mail by October 1, no onsite registration; digital chess clocks and chess sets provided, CFC membership or \$10 event

fee required; Sponsored by: Adbusters Media Foundation and Chess First! Enterprises,
www.northshorechess.com

BC Championship

DATE: October 11-13
SITE: UVic, H&S Development Bldg.
RATING: Must be over 2000
ENTRY FEE: \$35.00
CONTACT: L. Stringer 658-5207 or lynnstringer@shaw.ca

Stop the Machine FIDE Invitational

Date: October 24-26, 2003
Place: Sprott-Shaw College, 2750 Rupert Street, Vancouver, BC
Rds: 5
Type: Regular closed 6-player RR, FIDE & CFC rated
Times: 6:30pm/10am, 3:30 pm/10am, ASAP
TC: 120+30
EF: \$50 FIDE rated; \$80 FIDE unrated, minimum CFC rating 2000
Prizes: 1st \$150 plus ChessBase CD prize
Reg: interested FIDE-rated players please e-mail TD/Org:Vas Sladek, chessfm@shaw.ca
or call 604-787-4553, 604-982-0611, players must pre-register by October 19, NO onsite
registrations.
Misc: CFC membership required, no smoking, chess sets and clocks provided
Sponsors: Chess First! Enterprises www.northshorechess.com

Kitsilano Beach FIDE Invitational

Date: Saturday November 28-30, 2003
Details to be announced.

Kamloops Grand Prix 2004

Details: see the BCCF website

Chess First! FIDE Invitational

Date: April 8-12, 2004
Type: Regular closed 10-player RR, FIDE & CFC rated
Reg: interested FIDE-rated players please e-mail TD/Org:Vas Sladek, chessfm@shaw.ca
or call 604-787-4553, 604-982-0611, players must pre-register by April 1, 2004, NO
onsite registrations.
(Details coming later.)