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EDITORIAL (by Alan Borwell)

With due respect to Val Nye, I have had to move his Secretarial Notes in this Bulletin to page 2, because this editorial is longer than usual and contains a number of rather important matters.

Firstly, my apologies for not achieving the target month for publication of January every effort will be made to publish numbers 5 and 6 in May and September!

Due to increasing business and other commitments, I shall be unable to continue as Editor of the Bulletin after No. 6, but I would be willing to give some limited help to my successor, if required. It would be greatly appreciated if anyone who might be prepared to become Editor or to assist with the Bulletin, could indicate such willingness either to Val Nye or myself as soon as possible.

Despite earlier favourable indications, it is particularly disappointing to have to report that Scotland's application for affiliation to ICCF once again met with a negative decision by its Praesidium in Austria last September. Information was provided about other international sporting and recreational bodies which do accept Scotland into membership, such as Chess, Soccer, Rugby, Bowling, Hockey, Golf, etc.

The attitude of ICCF on this matter is very difficult to understand, but we can only hope that the 1981 Congress in England will reconsider the implications of all its Statutes to Scotland's (and Wales') applications. Currently the ruling does nothing to promote international postal chess and it is particularly unfair to the players in the two Countries directly affected and ICCF Statutes specify that 'political' discrimination is not permitted.

Bearing in mind that the Scottish Chess Association, as the oldest national federation in the World for over the board chess, has been affiliated to FIDE since 1932, and plays its full part in World chess, it is not acceptable for ICCF to refuse to recognise Scotland for international correspondence chess purposes.

In view of the seriousness which this Association takes of almost 10 years of exclusion from official international competition, a special sub-committee has been formed to consider all possible courses of action which could be more successful in achieving proper recognition for Scotland's postal chess players. The sub-committee will report to the SCCA Executive Committee in March and a report will be included in our next Bulletin.

Rather ironically, Scotland will be participating in the 2nd World Telechess Olympiad which is an event jointly organised by FIDE and ICCF. We have entered a team in conjunction with the SCA and our matches will be sponsored by the Scottish Telecommunications Board. The first round pairings are awaited. A short report on this event appears on page 16 of this Bulletin.

As you will know, 1981 is the International Year of the Disabled, and we have been asked to enquire whether any of our members know of any disabled chess players who might be interested in playing in a disabled chess event. I shall be pleased to hear about any physically disabled players who might have an interest, when I shall forward their names and addresses to the organisers.

As most of the games in this Bulletin were played last season, it was decided that they should also be eligible for consideration for the Best Games prize, along with those appearing in Bulletins 1, 2 and 3. A Best Games prize of £10 for the current season will be selected from games appearing in Bulletins 5, 6 and 7.

Your Executive Committee will be considering possible forms of competition with rather less exacting time limits, say 10 moves per 30 days, covering perhaps 18 months/ 2 years. These could be attractive to players who find the annual events 'too quick' and therefore are unable to play. Any reader with views should make them known to one of the office-bearers as soon as possible.

Finally, could we have some more letters from readers for possible publication in future editions of the Bulletin.



A good New Year to all our readers and welcome to this the first issue of the second volume of the Bulletin! The start of a New Year is, by custom, a time when we take stock and look to the future, so I might as well do the same. On the black side, postal charges always are on the increase and despite our increased range of activities, membership is not increasing as much as we would like. As national organisations go, we are relatively young - there are many which are over thirty years old. The thing we must do is to let people know about us and what we have to offer. Certainly, the addition to three new Controllers does help to spread the effort needed to run our tournaments. 'Many hands make light work' is the old saying! We are indebted to Gordon Anderson (who also finds time to be a rugby referee), Bill Brady (who innocently found himself the victim in 3 of the games published in the last Bulletin) and Ian Mitchell.

This season we introduced a Candidates Tournament into the Championship events, and this should prove a successful innovation. Ten of the places in the Candidates were filled automatically by players 'relegated' from the Final and also with one player from each of the previous Premier sections. The remaining place was taken by the highest graded player of the two still on the entry list.

In passing, I must mention a problem that occurred to me and which I have discussed (only briefly I must add!) with one or two of my academic colleagues. I shall call it the 'single pairing problem'. Up until now we have had only one tournament - the Final - in which players play each other only once. Last season, for example, I played one game against Bill Brady and according to a 'standard draw' I was assigned the white pieces. This season we are both in the new event - the Candidates - which is a single game event, so the draw was made subject to the constraint that Bill has white against me. This idea of 'colour reversal' has always been in operation in the Final. The only constraint upon the draw, namely that those staying in the Final should have their colours mutually reversed, does not present any problem (as Bernard Partridge will readily agree!). The question is: can we guarantee automatic 'colour reversal' in future Finals which will consist of not one but two sets of players (one from the previous Candidates and the second consisting of those staying up in the Final)? By way of example (from which a pattern can emerge), suppose Richard Beecham and Jimmy Williams stayed up in the Final while Bill Brady and myself were promoted. Then the draw for the next Final would have to try to ensure that Jimmy was black against Richard, and that I was white against Bill. If we adopt a pragmatic approach, messing around with pencil and paper once the next finalists are known, the draw might resolve itself - with the help of suitable liquid stimulants or aspirins So far, I am not aware of any 'general solution'! Anyway, your ideas will be welcome!

We were a little disappointed in the response to the Openings Tournament. Certainly I think we should persevere with such a competition since a player has the chance to explore very thoroughly particular opening lines. Should we propose several lines instead of just one - a king pawn, a queen pawn, and another, for example? Your views please!

Thanks to assistance from the SCA circulation, we have a record entry in the League. The top 6 teams from last season form the 1st Division, whilst the other 14 were split into two sections of roughly equal strength. On the result of this we can look forward, hoping that even more teams join next season, to the League having at least 3 Divisions.

I received an interesting point of view from Scott Young, who is a North Sea Diver (rather him than me!!) He would like to have an endings tournament. The argument, basically, is that the typical chess player rarely has a game going through to the ending. A result will usually have been agreed between two players or the middle game position will have been adjudicated. Because of a player's lack of experience in the endings, the adjudicated result may not necessarily be actual outcome if the game were played to the bitter end! Your views please!

Lastly, some feedback from the 'whoops' article. One player (who shall be nameless!) in this season's Quartets may not have properly digested (if that is the right word) the article since he fell into the 'p-kn3, if any then b-n2' trap Several players have told me about posting moves to themselves, and setting up wrong positions seems quite commonplace!? Mind you, Ken Stewart came up with one that I had forgotten. His Swedish opponent had asked for a temporary cessation of play because he had just become the father of twins. On resumption of the game, Ken naturally enough offered congratulations etc. A few days later, Ken received a card thanking him but also asking him what his intended moves were - he had not written down his moves!

SCOTTISH CORRESPONDENCE CHESS LEAGUE 1980-81 (Ken Gordon)

LEAGUE DIVISION I

Airdrie Pawnbrokers

Team A

1	J Lewis	
2	A H Kerr	
3	C T W Beveridge	
4	D McFarlane	

Chess Suppliers

Team B

v E1	G W G Livie	v D1
v D2	A J Shaw	v C2
v C3	P Watson	v F3
v B4	D M Livie	v A4

Duntocher

Team C

A J McClelland	v F1
M Sutherland	v B2
R Dickson	v A3
R Beacon	v E4

Falkirk RSVP

Team D

1	J Campbell	v B1
2	J McLay	v A2
3	G Hamilton	v E3
4	A Glass	v F4

Perth Correspondents

Team E

A P Borwell	v A1
J E Hawkes	v F2
K A Mitchell	v D3
I McKintosh	v C4

Perth Players

Team F

A D Cochrane	v C1
J A Findlay	v E2
I W S Mitchell	v B3
A S Collie	v D4

DIVISION II A

Black Knight

Team A

1	K Warren	v G2
2	M E McGhee	v F2
3	R Mitchell	v C3
4	D Lawson	v D4

Bon Accord B

Team B

S Munro	v G1
K D Anderson	v E2
T Dorman	v F4
L Battersby	v C4

Castle

Team C

D Stewart	v F1
S Douglas	v D2
G Taylor	v A3
A McDonald	v B4

Crowwood J

Team D

1	J Clayton	v E1
2	J McGuinness	v C2
3	D L Gillespie	v G3
4	C Cameron	v A4

Dounreay

Team E

D J Savage	v D1
D G McRoberts	v B2
T A H Taylor	v F3
A Proudler	v G4

Dreghorn A

Team F

J Parks	v C1
D M Gillespie	v A2
J Docherty	v E3
R Scott	v B3

Kirkcaldy

Team G

G Pyrich	v B1
I Marshall	v A1
J Webster	v D3
M C Grayson	v E4



DIVISION II B

Bon Accord

Team A

1	G E Lobley	v G2
2	A Vizy	v F2
3	R D Picken	v C3
4	R Daniel	v D4

Crowwood II

Team B

W. Hutchison	v G1
C Hutchison	v E2
A Barlow	v F4
R Daniel	v C4

Dreghorn B

Team C

J Teaz	v F1
R Alexander	v D2
R Philson	v A3
S Jeffrey	v B4

Falkirk Bairns

Team D

1	D Bell	v E1
2	A Thomson	v O2
3	K Clark	v G3
4	J Davie	v A4

Dreghorn C

Team E

J Shank land	v D1
R Young	v B2
B Teaz	v F3
D O'Hare	v G4

Glasgow Lads

Team F

T Russell	v C1
M Dyer	v A2
R Cameron	v E3
M O'Leary	v B3

Lancelot Etcetera

Team G

J Sharp	v B1
C R James	v A1
Mrs G Sharp	v D3
A Peace	v E4



INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENTS 1980 - 1981

SCOTTISH CORRESPONDENCE CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS

CHAMPIONSHIP (One game against each opponent)

		Be	Br	G	H	Ja	Je	K	McMa	Me	W	Pts	Pos
C.R. BEECHAM	PRESTWICK	■											
D.M. BRYSON	GLASGOW		■										
P.M. GIULIAN	NEWTON MEARNS			■									
A.T. HISLOP	GLASGOW				■								
R. JACKSON	ABERDEEN					■							
D.M. JENKINS	INVERNESS						■						
D.A. KILGOUR	DUNDEE							■					
A.J. McCLELLAND	CLYDEBANK								■				
I.A. MARKS	CUMBERNAULD									■			
M. MELDRUM	AYR										■		
J. WILLIAMS	GLASGOW											■	

The top four placed players will be eligible to enter for the 1982 Championship, as will the top four placed players in this season's Candidates Tournament. The remaining places in the 1982 Championship will be allocated depending on entries received. Factors such as the entry of a recent champion, ties in either the 1981 Championship or Candidates etc will be taken into account.

CANDIDATES (One game against each opponent)

		Q	B	S	W	A	G	P	B	N	Pts	Pos
D. QUINN	EAST KILBRIDE	■										
W.G. BRADY	CLYDEBANK		■									
G.H. SPROTT	LASSWADE			■								
W.P. WATSON	GIFFNOCK				■							
G.M. ANDERSON	GLASGOW					■						
S. R. GILLAM	THORNTON HEATH						■					
G.D. PYRICH	KIRKCALDY							■				
C.F. BOYLE	CAMBUSLANG								■			
Dr. V.A. NYE	EAST KILBRIDE									■		

Unfortunately, because of increased business commitments, two players had to withdraw from this event shortly after all competitions had been started. It was decided to continue on the basis of a nine player tournament this season, but to make it an eleven player event in future years. Outright winners of Premier Sections will be eligible for next season's Candidates, as will those 1981 Championship players who are not allocated a place in the 1982 Championship. Remaining places will be allocated depending on entries received, ties, etc.

Premier Section (Two games against each opponent)

P 71 H D SHSU SWV Pts Pos

Major W.E.BRUGES									
M.DYER									
A.J.SHAW									
M.SUTHERLAND									
M.A.SWYSTUN									
J.W.VERNON									

P 72 G H K L P V Pts Pos

D.L.GILLESPIE									
F.HALL									
R.KILPATRICK									
J.P.L.LUMSDEN									
A.C.PETRIE									
A.C.VENN									

P 73 B C K L M S Pts Pos

C.T.W.BEVERIDGE									
J.A.CLAYTON									
A.H.KERR									
D.M.LIVIE									
R.A.MacBRAYNE									
G.SCHOLES									

P 74 B D H T W W Pts Pos

C.J.BOWN									
R.DICKSON									
G.HAMILTON									
I.THOMPSON									
G.WEEDEN									
I.P.WHITTAKER									

MAJOR SECTIONS (Two games against each opponent)

M 33 A HAHUS T Pts Pos

A.M.ANDERSON									
Mrs. E.HARTFORD									
D.A.HUGHSON									
J.SHARP									
J.TAYLOR									

M 34 B C McMuW Pts Pos

S.BRADY									
D.CRIGTON									
T.McTAGGART									
R.MURPHY									
K.WARREN									

M 35 HAHEL MAMCR Pts Pos

H.HARVEY									
J.M.HERRIES									
L.J.LANE									
S.G.MACKIE									
T.McMORRAN									
A.REID									

The winner of each Major Section will be eligible to play in a Premier Section next season. The next placed player may also gain promotion.

QUARTET TROPHIES 1981 All play all events, two games against each opponent.

POSTAL KNIGHT FINAL (holder A.H.KERR)

O 88 C K S T Pts Pos

J.A.CLAYTON									
A.H.KERR									
M.SUTHERLAND									
I.THOMPSON									

POSTAL SHIELD FINAL (holder L.J.LANE)

O 89 B D L P Pts Pos

R.BEACON									
R.DICKSON									
L.J.LANE									
A.C.PETRIE									

POSTAL ROOK FINAL (holder J.LEWIS)

O 90 H K L S Pts Pos

G.HAMILTON									
J.KENNEDY									
J.LEWIS									
D.J.SAVAGE									

O 91 C H M R Pts Pos

T.J.CRAIG									
J.M.HERRIES									
J.McTAGGART									
A.REID									

O 92 C McR W Pts Pos

K.GORDON									
A.J.McCLELLAND									
G.A.REAVES									
J.M.WALKER									

O 93 Mac McM P Pts Pos

R.A.MacBRAYNE									
T.McMORRAN									
R.MURPHY									
A.PEACE									

O 94 B C L T Pts Pos

S.BRADY									
S.R.CAPSEY									
J.P.L.LUMSDEN									
T.A.H.TAYLOR									

O 95 D L M P Pts Pos

R.DICKSON									
J.H.LAWSON									
I.W.S.MITCHELL									
V.A.PROUDLER									

SWISS TOURNAMENT 1979/81 (Allan Hislop)



Final Round Draw

D. Crichton	v	R.A. MacBrayne	G. Hamilton	v	J.M. Herries
M. Melville	v	D. Crichton	C. R. James	v	G. Hamilton
R.A. MacBrayne	v	G. R. Sprott	J.M. Herries	v	J. McLay
G.R. Sprott	v	M.E. McGhee	M.E. McGhee	v	J. McLay
M. Melville	v	E. Hartford	C.R. James	v	T.A. Taylor
E. Hartford	v	R. Mitchell	T. A. Taylor	v	R. Mitchell

This tournament has now reached the final stage. Starting date for this third and final round was 22nd December, with adjudication on 22nd June 1981.

Leading scores are: D. Crichton 6½, R. MacBrayne 6, G. Sprott 5½, M. Melville 5, E. Hartford 5.

As can be seen, it is anyone's guess who will win. The dark horse, Bob MacBrayne, has come through strongly to challenge David Crichton who is leading, but both will have to keep an eye on George Sprott and Michael Melville who are just waiting for them to slip up.

HANDICAP TOURNAMENT (Allan Hislop)



This tournament continues to attract new players. We have about 35 regulars and, with 10 new players this season, the total numbers are at the 45 mark, allowing for players who have dropped out over the season. With games being carried over from last summer and new games started this season, we have something like 80 pairings on the 'go'. Most games are in the early stages so there are no results or possible promotions to report.

There are no players in Class 1 yet, but with some notable pairings in Class 2, I am hoping this will soon be rectified.

New players to Handicap, October 1980:

Class 3	J. Vernon
Class 4	D.G. MacRoberts, J. Ross
Class 5	A. Taylor
Class 6	V. Garnier, A. Livie, D. McAllister, J. Mair, R. McGeachen, A. Reid.

OPENINGS TOURNAMENT (Ian Mitchell)



This new competition given each competitor two games, one with each colour, against all the other players in the section. The opening chosen for the current season is the Alapin Variation of the French Defence:- 1 P-K4 P-K3 2 P-Q4. P-Q4- 3 B-K3

OT1

R.Beacon
A.J.Doherty
R.Dickson
J.Eadie

B	D	D	E	Pts	Pos
█					
	█				
		█			
			█		

OT2

R.W.M.Baxter
J.S.Cairney
A.Reid
M.Sutherland

B	C	R	S	Pts	Pos
█					
	█				
		█			
			█		

PERSONALITIES OF THE ASSOCIATION - N0.4
IAIN CAMPBELL (by Val Nye)

The first time I met Iain was in the pavilion of the Hillhead rugby ground. I was playing in a Glasgow League match against the now defunct Hillhead FP team. Despite Iain's loyal support, the Hillhead FP's were always having trouble raising a team (a match captain's perennial problem!) All the same, they used to get some good results against the more fancied teams.

Iain was born in Knightswood in Glasgow. After his schooling at Hillhead, he went to Glasgow University. In 1967 he emerged (to quote Iain's own words!) with a feeble MA in History. He decided against going into teaching and went instead into the Civil Service. With a natural career progression he was moved to the Post Office Savings Bank at Cowglen to look after the public's interests. He has recently been given the good opportunity to improve his prospects by a part-time study course. Along with a select group of his colleagues, he is applying himself to acquiring a professional qualification in Accountancy. Although this is making great inroads into his spare time - and he has felt, in his typically conscientious way, that he should give up his committee and controlling work with us for a while - the effort is worth it in the long run.

Iain took up correspondence play about 1965, playing in the Quartets that Bernard Partridge was organising. He narrowly missed qualifying for the Championship Final at his early attempts, being a runner-up in the Premier on several occasions. Although he has not managed to win the Final, his results have been quietly impressive (two 2nd equals and a 2nd are to his credit). He has taken part in several International matches (seven is the exact number!) In fact, he is waiting to be picked for a match against Denmark so that he can become a founder member of a 'I have played all the Scandinavians' club! He tells me that he is following Ken McAlpine's footsteps. In a recently completed ICCF Class 1 Tournament (which lasted about 18 months), he scored 6/6, and he is hoping eventually to play in a Master class

When Bernard Partridge was looking for a few 'likely lads' to help establish our Association, Iain was an automatic choice. He had some very useful points to make, for example, when we were drawing up the Playing Rules, and he has been a successful controller of the Premier.

Before finishing I must mention that Iain is very happily married and that he has a boy and a girl. Although not yet at school, Graham and Laura, even if they do not know the moves, are very proficient at posting the moves!

We all wish Iain and his family every happiness for the future.

Here is a very nice game played by Iain recently in our match v Iceland.

Scotland v Iceland 1979-80

White : I.S. Campbell

Ruy Lopez - Open Morphy (E33c)

Black : A. Stefansson

1 P-K4	P-K4	11 Q-K2	N-B4	21 R-R3	P-KR4
2 N-KB3	N-OB3	12 N-Q4	NxB	22 P-KN4	P-B5
3 B-N5	P-OR3	13 NxN(6)	NxB	23 KNPxP	BPxP
4 B-R4	N-B3	14 QRxN	Q-Q2	24 QRPxP	Q-R2ch
5 0-0	NxP	15 NxBch	QxN	25 Q-B2	PxP
6 P-Q4	P-QN4	16 P-KB4	P-KN3	26 RxP	QxQch
7 B-N3	P-Q4	17 N-B3	P-Q5	27 KxQ!	K-N2
8 PxP	B-K3	18 P-QN3	PxP	28 N-R7	P-B3
9 P-B3	B-K2	19 RxP	P-QB4	29 NxR	Resigns
10 QN-Q2	0-0	20 N-N5	B-Q4		

Games Section (by George Livie)

When Alan Borwell donated £10 for the best game prize and asked me to select the winning entry I did not fully appreciate how difficult a decision this would be. The entries were many and meritorious and to minimise postage expenses of individual acknowledgements I now wish, through our magazine, to thank everyone who submitted entries, also, the many contributors to the games section. The limitations of space do not allow our Editor to publish all the games submitted but all your contributions are appreciated and your continued support is valued. The best game prize was won by J. N. MacNeil, a former Scottish Correspondence Chess Champion, and a cheque for £10 will be posted to him shortly. Here is the game with notes by the winner.

SCOTLAND v SWEDEN



1979/80 Board 2

Four Knights (E 15)

White : R.G. Hagelin
(Sweden)

Black : J.N. MacNeil
(Scotland)

1	P-K4	P-K4	
2	K KB3	N-QB3	
3	N-QB3	N-KB3	
4	B-N5	N-Q5	

This move due to Rubinstein, is still very good, though modern O.T.B. players usually opt for quieter lines with ...P-KN3 perhaps to avoid a forced draw.

5	B-R4 (Best)	B-B4	
6	NxP	O-O	
7	N-Q3!	B-N3	
8	N-B4	P-Q4	

This move is possible because of the power of the Black Bishop. Also equal is P-QB3 or P-Q3.

9	P-Q3	B-N5	
10	P-KB3	N-R4	



Here White can take a draw (11 PxB Q-R5+ 12 P-KN3 NxNP 13 N-N2 QB3 14 PxN N-B6+) An insufficient return for White, but one doubts if he can now do better.

11	NxN	BxN	
12	NxQP	P-QB3	

Now 13 N-B4 NxKBP+ ! or 13 N-K3 Q-R5+ gives Black the edge.

13	NxB	PxN	
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We have followed what many regard as the main line. White must decide about his Bishop.

14	P-B3	Q-R5+	
15	K-B1	NxBP	
16	PxN	RxB	
17	QxR	Q-R6+	
18	K-N1	BxBP	
19	Q-B2	Q-N5+	
20	K-B1	BxR	
21	Q-K2!	B-B6	
22	Q-K3?		

The immediate Q-B2, then perhaps Q-N3 was a harder nut to crack. Now Black is easily able to keep the Queens on and his Rook joins in decisively.

		P-KB4	
23	P-K5	P-B5	

24 Q-B2 R-B4

White cannot cope with the threats.

25 P-Q4 R-N4

26 K-K1 Q-R4



27 Resigns (White loses Queen for Rook and Pawn.)

SCOTLAND v. FINLAND



1979/80 Board 3

Benoni Indian Defence - (R 50c)

White : C Richard Beecham (Scotland)

Black : Reino Kotka (Finland)

1 P-Q4 P-QB4

2 P-Q5 P-K4

3 P-QB4 P-Q3

4 N-QB3 N-K2

I was hoping for ... B-K2

5 N-B3 P-B4 6 P-K4 P-B5

7 P-KN3 P-KN4 8 PxP NPxP

9 NxP! PxN 10 QR5+ with some

advantage to White.

5 N-KB3 P-KN3

6 P-K4 B-N2

7 B-K2 0-0

8 B-N5!?! I had

decided to trade this Bishop for the Black Knight on K2, believing the Knight was potentially the more powerful piece. I changed my mind! Blacks central Pawns are on the dark squares and a tempo lost is not so bad in such a closed position.

8 P-KR3

9 B-Q2 P-KB4

10 Q-B2 P-B5

11 P-KR4 The natural move to prevent further expansions by Black.

B-B3

12 P-KN3 P-KN4?

A bad move which allows the Pawns in front of the Black King to be removed.

Better was 12 ...PxP 13 PxP -B -N5

13 RPxP RPxP

14 NPxP NPxP

If black had played 14... KPxP he would have always had to worry about. the thematic break of P-K5 and also the defence of the KNP.

15 0-0-0 R-B2

16 QR-KN1+ K-B1



17 BxBP!! The concept behind the piece sacrifice contains a possible Queen sacrifice and a main line of analysis ending in mate on move 32!

PxB

18 P-K5! PxP

B-B4 fails to 19 PxB BxQ

20 R-R8+ N-N1 21 RxN mate

or 18 ... BxP 19 NxB when black can't defend his back rank.

19 N-N5 B-B4

Black has nothing better

20 N-K6+ BxN

If K-K1, 21 NxQ BxQ 22 NxR wins the exchange

21 PxB Q-B1

Black can't play 21 ... R-N2 because of 22 R-R8+ N-N1 23 RxN! RxR 24 RxR+ KxR 25 Q-N6+ K-R1 (B-N2 26 Q-B7+ K-R127 P-K7 wins) 26 B-Q3 Q-K2 27 N-Q5 QN2 28 Q-R5+ K-N1 29 Q-K8+ QB1 30 NxR+ K-N2 31 QN6+ K-R1 32 Q-R7 mate! This being the main line of my analysis from move 17

22 PxB

Threatening 23 R-N8+ NxR 24 PxN=Q+ KxQ 25 Q-R7+ K-B1 26 QR8+ BxQ 27 RxR+ K-K2 and 28 RxQ

... QB4
23 QxQ NxQ
24 N-Q5 N-Q5
25 B-R5 B-N2
26 RxB! KxR
27 R-N1+ Resigns

15 R-B1

Probably better than McLennan's 15 Q-N3 but somewhere along the way white errs a little.

K-N1

16 Q-N3

Moving the Queen from the defence of the King but alternatives are not easy to find

16 B-B3!?

A hard move to find. It anticipates 17 P-QR3 where black can then play 17...N-Q6 with a slight advantage. The move also anticipates a losing move hence my!?

17 KR-Q1?



SCOTLAND v AUSTRIA



19)'9/80 Board

Von Hennig-Schara Gambit (D.08c)

White : L. Nick
(Austria)

Black : W. Roach
(Scotland)

1 P-Q4 P-Q4
2 P-QB4 P-K3
3 N-QB3 P-QB4
4 BPxP BPxP
5 QxP N-QB3
6 Q-Q1 PxP
7 QxP B-Q2
8 N-B3 N-B3
9 Q-Q1 B-QB4
10 P-K3 Q-K2
11 B-K2 0-0-0
12 0-0 P-KN4
13 P-QN4 NxP
14 B-N2 KR-N1

17 BxP!

Following the same theme as the Roach - McLennan game.

18 PxB QxP+
19 K-R1 N-N5
20 RxR+ RxR
21 P-KR3 N-B7+
22 K-R2 Q-B5+
23 P-N3 Q-KB4!!

The best move of the game in my opinion

24 P-N4 Q-B5+
25 K-N2 R-Q7
26 Resigns

GRADING MATTERS



The Executive Committee have confirmed the award of two norms to C.J. Morrison.

All as McLennan - Roach in S.C.C.A. Bulletin No. 2

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Giuoco Piano (E 17.)

White : J Seyfried
Black : Dr V. A. Nye

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|---|-------|-------|
| 1 | P-K4 | P-K4 |
| 2 | N-KB3 | N-QB3 |
| 3 | B-B4 | B-B4 |
| 4 | P-B3 | Q-K2 |

And so we have the "strong point" line of the Giuoco Piano. Black wishes to try out the idea of delaying development of the King Knight. Playing for an attack based on P-KN4 and P-KB4

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|---|-------|-------------|
| 5 | P-Q4 | B-N3 |
| 6 | O-O | P-Q3 |
| 7 | P-KR3 | P-KR3 |
| 8 | R-K1 | P-KN4 |
| 9 | P-Q5 | Despite the |

immediate attack on the Knight this closing of the centre only helps black better to keep the tension

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| | | N-Q1 |
| 10 | B-N5+ | K-B1 |



Naturally black is not going to offer the exchange of Bishops by B-Q2 as he intends P-N5

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|----|--------|-------|
| 11 | B-K3 | P-N5! |
| 12 | PxP | BxP |
| 13 | QN-Q2 | KN-B3 |
| 14 | N-B1 | N-Q2 |
| 15 | N(1)R2 | P-KR4 |

So that if NxB PxN and there is a decisive attack on the KR file

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|----|-------|-------|
| 16 | Q-Q2 | P-KP4 |
| 17 | B-KN5 | Q-R2 |
| 18 | PxP | QBxP |
| 19 | N-R4 | N-B2 |
| 20 | NxB | QxN |
| 21 | N-B3 | R-KN1 |

With threats against white's KN2. White should not exchange the white squared Bishop.

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| 22 | BxN | QxB(Q2) |
| 23 | B-R6+ | K-K1 |

Black threatens Q-N5 or Q-R6

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| 24 | R-KB1 | Q-R6 |
| 25 | N-K1 (forced) | |



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|----|-------|-------------|
| 25 | | RxP+ |
| 26 | NxR | K-Q2 |
| 27 | KR-K1 | R-KN1 |
| 28 | K-B1 | RxN |
| 29 | R-K3 | BxR |
| 30 | BxB | and Resigns |
- A hard fought game.

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Nimzo-Indian (D 59b)

White : J. Clayton
Black : A. Wilson

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|---|-------|-------|
| 1 | P-QB4 | N-KB3 |
| 2 | P-Q4 | P-K3 |
| 3 | N-QB3 | B-N5 |
| 4 | P-K3 | O-O |
| 5 | B-Q3 | P-Q4 |
| 6 | N-B3 | P-B4 |

7	0-0	N-B3
8	P-QR3	BxN
9	PxB	QPxP
10	BxP	Q-B2
11	B-Q3	P-K4
12	Q-B2	R-K1
13	NxP	NxN
14	PxN	QxP
15	P-B3	B-Q2
16	R-N1	B-B3
17	P-QB4	QR-Q1
18	R-Q1	P-KR4



Realising he has no prospects on the Queen side black attempts counterplay on the opposite wing.

19 P-K4

Temporarily shutting out both the Queen and King Bishop but strengthening white King side which is a little shaky due to the pressure of black's Bishop and well placed Knight and future King's Rook Pawn advance

		P-R5
20	B N2	Q-KN4
21	B-QB1	Q-K4
22	B-K3	Q-K2

Too passive - P-QN3 was probably better leaving white to find a plan

23	B-N5	P-R6
24	P-KN4	Q-K3
25	B-K2	

To prevent 25. NxNP PxN QxP.

		QR-B1
26	BxN	QxB
27	R-Q3	QR-Q1
28	R(1)-Q1	RxR
29	QxR	Q K3
30	Q-Q6	QxQ
31	RxQ	R-K3?
32	RxR	PxR
33	P-K5!	Restricting the mobility of black's pieces.

33		P-KN4
34	K-B2	K-B2
35	B-B1	P-QR3
36	BxP	P-N4
37	PxP	BxP

(Better seems PxP ED.)

38	B-B1	K-K2
39	B-K2	K-Q2
40	B-Q1	K-B3
41	K-K3	K-Q4
42	P-B4	PxP+
43	KxP	B-Q6
44	P-KR4	P-B5
45	P-R5	P-B6
46	P-N5	B-K7!

A good try

47	B-B2	BxP
48	P-N6	Resigns

(Adjudication was near and I managed to find a winning line in my analysis which my opponent accepted) The interested reader can work it out!



SCOTLAND v FINLAND



1980 Board 18 Irregular- (R 00)

White : A Petrie
 (Scotland)

Black : R. Molarius
 (Finland)

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|----|-------|---------|
| 1 | P-KN4 | P-Q4 |
| 2 | B-N2 | P-K4 |
| 3 | P-QB4 | P-QB3 |
| 4 | PxP | PxP |
| 5 | Q-N3 | N-K2 |
| 6 | N-QB3 | P-Q5 |
| 7 | N-Q5 | B-K3 |
| 8 | Q-N5+ | N(2)-B3 |
| 9 | P-K4 | Q-Q2 |
| 10 | P-KR3 | P-QR3 |
| 11 | Q-K2 | B-Q3? |
| 12 | N-N6 | Q-Q1 |
| 13 | NxR | N-Q2 |
| 14 | P-Q3 | 0-0 |
| 15 | N-B3 | QxN |



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|----|-------|---------|
| 16 | 0-0 | N-B4 |
| 17 | N-R4 | N-N5 |
| 18 | B-Q2 | P-QR4 |
| 19 | P-QR3 | N-B3 |
| 20 | N-B5 | B-B2 |
| 21 | Q-B3 | Q-R3 |
| 22 | NxNP! | QxQP |
| 23 | Q-B6 | NxKP |
| 24 | BxN | QxKRP |
| 25 | NxB | QxNP+ |
| 26 | K-R2 | Q-R4+ |
| 27 | K-N3 | Resigns |

An Editor's space filler !

ICCF World Master Class Section 1978-80

Pirc - Robatsch Defence (R 86c)

White : J.Stabenow (East Germany)

Black : A.P.Borwell (Scotland)

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|----|----------|----------|
| 1 | P-K4 | P-Q3 |
| 2 | P-Q4 | N-KB3 |
| 3 | N-QB3 | P-KN3 |
| 4 | B-K3 | B-N2 |
| 5 | P-B3 | P-B3 |
| 6 | Q-Q2 | QN-Q2 |
| 7 | KN-K2 | N-N3 |
| 8 | N-N3 | B-K3 |
| 9 | P-N3 | P-KR4 |
| 10 | B-Q3 | R-QB1 |
| 11 | P-QR4 | P-QB4 |
| 12 | P-R5 | PxQP |
| 13 | BxP | N(N3)-Q2 |
| 14 | P-B4 | P-R5 |
| 15 | N(N3)-K2 | B-KN5 |
| 16 | P-KR3 | BxN |
| 17 | BxB | N-B4 |
| 18 | Q-K3 | N-K3 |
| 19 | BxN | BxB |
| 20 | B-N5ch | K-B1 ! |
| 21 | B-B4 | NxBP |
| 22 | QxN | BxNch ?! |

Better first was RxB

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|----|----------|-------|
| 23 | K-K2 | RxB |
| 24 | QR-KB1 ! | B-B3 |
| 25 | PxR | QxP |
| 26 | Q-Q2 | Q-B5 |
| 27 | Q-Q3 | K-N2 |
| 28 | Q-QN3 | Q-B3 |
| 29 | K-Q3 | R-R4 |
| 30 | R-B3 | R-KN4 |
| 31 | R-QN1 | Q-B4 |
| 32 | P-B3 | RxNP |
| 33 | QxNP | Q-K4! |
| 34 | Q-N3 | Q-R7 |
| 35 | Q-Q1 | B-N4 |

White resigns, there is no satisfactory move to stop mate or material loss.

INTERNATIONALS

The following Internationals are in progress or are about to start shortly.

SCOTLAND	SWEDEN	Sc	Sw	Bd	Sc	Ic	SCOTLAND	ICELAND
A.P. BORWELL	G. CARLBERG			1			J.N. MacNEIL	F. HERLUFSON
J.N. MacNEILL	R.G. HAGELIN	1	0	2	1	0	A.P. BORWELL	B. MAGNUSSON
H.D. HOLMES	A. CARLSSON			3	½½	½½	H.D. HOLMES	J. TORFASON
I.S. CAMPBELL	L. LIVBRANDT			4			C.R. BEECHAM	J.T. THOR
M. MELDRUM	J. COLLETT	2	0	5			C.J. MORRISON	H. KRISTJANSSON
D. McKERRACHER	K. HAGGLOF			6	01	10	I.S. CAMPBELL	A. STEFANSSON
C.R. BEECHAM	A. CIL			7			D. McKERRACHER	G. GUNNLAUGSSON
D. JENKINS	K. HAGLUND	1	0	8	0	2	A.T. HISLOP	T. EGILSSON
Dr.K.W.C.STEWART	B. ANDERSSON			9			M. MELDRUM	M. THORSTEINSSON
C.J. MORRISON	S. OLSSON			10	0	2	Dr.K.W.C.STEWART	H. HAUSSON
R.W.M.BAXTER	M. MALMBERG	1	0	11			A.G. KIRKLAND	G. THORDARSON
Dr.V.A. NYE	O. NYLEN			12	½½	½½	D. JENKINS	H. OLAFSSON
D. BRYSON	C. GRUVAEUS			13			W.G. BRADY	G. FINNLAUGSSON
D. KILGOUR	N. STENOVIK			14	0	2	A. McFADYEN	J. JOHANNESON
W.G. BRADY	G. GUSTAFSSON	½	½	15	2	0	G.M. ANDERSON	J. JOHANNSSON
A. McFADYEN	A. WENGHOLM			16	0	2	W.S. ROACH	T. THORDARSON
J.A. CLAYTON	G. CARLSSON			17			J. GRACIE	T. SAEMUNDSSON
I. MACKINTOSH	B. SKOGSBERG			18			PROF.G.H.BIRD	G. FINNSSON
J. GRACIE	H. WADEMARK			19			D. KILGOUR	S. THORVALDSSON
G.W.G.LIVIE	S. BERNHARDSSON	½	½	20	½½	½½	R. LAWSON	E. KARLSSON
R.M. INNES	H.A. CEDERSUND			21	0	2	A.H. KERR	B.T. KARLSSON
I.A. MARKS	E. BENGTSSON			22			R.M. INNES	B. BJORNSSON
R. INGLIS	L. ESZIK			23			I. MACKINTOSH	T. SIGURDSSON
J. SEYFRIED	K. ANDERSSON	½½	½½	24	1	0	B. J. MARTIN	S.O. HANNESSON
G. CHANDLER	S. NILSSON	0	2	25	0	2	J. SEYFRIED	A. KARISSON
		8	5		8	16		

SCOTLAND	FINLAND 'A'	SA	FA	Bd	SB	FB	SCOTLAND *B*	FINLAND 'B'
D. McKERRACHER	M. PIIVA			1			R.M. INNES	P. KAUPPAINEN
D. JENKINS	C.E. JOHANSSON	0	1	2			G.M. ANDERSON	J. MYRY
C.R. BEECHAM	R. KOTKA	½	½	3			G. HAMILTON	A. NOKSO-KOIVISTO
A.P. BORWELL	G. LAGLAND	1	0	4			D.J. SAVAGE	H. TANNINEN
P. GIULIAN	K. KAUNONEN			5			J.W. VERNON	G. PLANK
C.J. MORRISON	A. RUUTTULA			6			MRS.M.McGEE	O. RAJALA
I.S. CAMPBELL	S. RATY			7			S.D. YOUNG	L. GRONHOLM
A.G. KIRKLAND	E. VITTO			8	½	½	D. CRICHTON	P. HIETALA
W.P. WATSON	R. WIKMAN			9	1	0	A.J. McCLELLAND	A. HARJV
G.W.G.LIVIE	A. FROBERG	½	½	10			M.A. SWYSTUN	M. LUODONPAA
W.S. ROACH	J. PIHLAJINEN			11			A.H. KERR	A. BLOMBERG
W.G. BRADY	K. TIMPERI			12			M. YIANNI	O. PUURUNEN
J. SEYFRIED	P. KLEMETTINEN			13			D.G. McROBERTS	E. SOININEN
PROF.G.H.BIRD	V.M. HUIKONEN			14			R.A. McBRAYNE	P. ANTTILA
G. PYRICH	P. KOSKINEN			15			A. GLASS	P. KUUSELA
I. MACKINTOSH	E. TEITTINEN			16			J.P.L. LUMSDEN	E. MAKINEN
J. GRACIE	T. MYRY			17			R. JACKSON	O. HOKKANEN
A. PETRIE	R. MOLARIUS			18			J. WATSON Jnr	S. LAINE
B.J. MARTIN	H. SABEL	0	1	19			M.E. McGEE	K. PARKKARI
A. McFADYEN	A. BJORKOVIST	0	2	20			I.W.S. MITCHELL	J. LAINE
R. INGLIS	E. JOKINEN			21			K. WARREN	J. MANTYNIEMI
K. GORDON	V. VARJUS			22			M. DYER	J.J. PIHLAJAMAKI
R. DICKSON	J. PALENJUS			23	½	½	J.W. McLAY	K. OSTERBERG
G. CHANDLER	R. SEPPALA	0	2	24	0	1	P.D. HAMPTON	R. EKMARK
I.A. MARKS	O. HALME			25			T. PATERSON	J. HEINONEN
		3	7		2	3		

INTERNATIONALS

SCOTLAND		AUSTRIA		Sc	A	Bd	Sc	N	SCOTLAND		NORWAY	
K.B.McALPINE (M)	O. KALLINGER					1			D.M.JENKINS	ØYSTEIN SANDE		
D.Y.McKERRACHER	H.E. UDE					2			D. BRYSON	ODD LIE		
I.S. CAMPBELL	H. NIEDERMAYR					3			P. GIULIAN	DAS ORSETH		
H.D. HOLMES	P. ROTH					4			A.P. BORWELL	TROND A.NILSEN		
M. MELDRUM	E.SPITZENBERGER					5			DR.K.W.C.STEWART	ØYVIND KVAMME		
D. KILGOUR	A. KRANZL	1	0	6		6			C.R.BEECHAM	OLAF SKALIEN		
DR.K.W.C.STEWART	DR.F.THANNHAUSSER	0	1	7		7			D. KILGOUR	KARE ORMHAUG		
A.G.KIRKLAND	A. HAMEDINGER					8			I.S. CAMPBELL	EIVIND KJERSTAD		
D. JENKINS	Z. SCHNEIDER					9			A.G. KIRKLAND	VIDAR TAKSRUND		
G.W.G.LIVIE	Dr.H.TARNOWIECKI	1	0	10		10			A.T. HISLOP	ROLF RØSTAD		
A.McFADYEN	M. HENNINGS	0	2	11	½	½			W.S. ROACH	OLE M.SKOCHEIM		
W.S.ROACH	C. NICKL	1	0	12		12			M. MELDRUM	ARNOLD ANDREASSEN		
W.G.BRADY	K.HORA	1	0	13		13			G. PYRICH	RONALD BERTHELSEN		
J.A. CLAYTON	DIR.L.PATHEISKY	0	1	14		14			K. BEER	EDV.MATHISEN		
S.D. YOUNG	PROF.B. KLEIN					15	0	2	A. PETRIE	CLAUS NITTER		
I. MACKINTOSH	G. SCHNAUBELT					16			PROF.G.H.BIRD	PETTER STIGAR		
I.A. MARKS	J. HAUBENHOFER	1	0	17		17			I. MACKINTOSH	OLAF EIDE		
A.H. KERR	G. FRANZL					18			R. INGLIS	SVEN NORDAL		
R. KILPATRICK	Z. MICHALEK	½½	½½	19		19			R. DICKSON	ARILD LARSEN		
R. INGLIS	G. KOROSTENSKY					20			G.M. ANDERSON	ANKER AASUM		
R.M. INNES	O. LANG					21			I. MARKS	ROLF BJERKHAUG		
R. DICKSON	W. LANG					22			D.J. SAVAGE	JANERIK LUND		
J. SEYFRIED	W. GROIS	½	1½	23		23			A.J. McCLELLAND	SKJALG RAFNUNG		
G. CHANDLER	J. PARZER	1	0	24		24			A.H. KERR	JAN ARNE MUNKEBY		
J.W. VERNON	O. SUSTER	½½	½½	25		25			G. HAMILTON	ARVE JOHANSEN		
M.A. SWYSTUN	W. DETELA					26	½	2½				
D. CRICHTON	I.W. HAYDVOGEL	1	0	27		27				♙		
MRS.M.McGEE	DR. R. TIROCH					28						
J.P.L. LUMSDEN	P. PRZYBYLO					29				♙		♙
W.F. SWIATEK	H. THURNER					30						
♙	♙					9½	7½					

SCOTLAND teams selected for matches due to start

SCOTLAND	CANADA	Bd	Ca	Bd
T.J.CRAIG	A.J.UGGE			1
D.BRYSON	R.SIEMMS			2
D.A.KILGOUR	O.HELLSTON			3
D.M.JENKINS	J.ARMSTRONG			4
P.M.GIULIAN	P.McHOULL			5
C.R.BEECHAM	J.F.CLEEVE			6
G.D.PYRICH	M.ZARICHUCK			7
K.BEER	W.OAKLER			8
C.BOYLE	J.DEIDUN Snr			9
T.L.MILLIGAN	W.P.TAYLOR			10
W.G.BRADY	G.LABELLE			11
I.MacKINTOSH	L.DES.ORMEAUX			12
G.M.ANDERSON	M.ROBIDOUX			13
I.A.MARKS	M.S.MARCHANT			14
PROF.G.H.BIRD	R.NELSON			15
G.SCHOLES	D.DOUCETTE			16
W.S.ROACH	R.SELLOY			17
A.PETRIE	P.JURGENS			18
R.DICKSON	M.GIROUX			19
M.YIANNI	D.NYBERG			20



Bd	Scotland v USA	Scotland v France
1	R.W.M. BAXTER	A.P. BORWELL
2	D. A. KILGOUR	D.A. KILGOUR
3	DR.K.W.C.STEWART	D.M. BRYSON
4	I.S. CAMPBELL	R.W.M. BAXTER
5	S.R. GILLAM	C.R. BEECHAM
6	I. A. MARKS	P. M. GIULIAN
7	A.J. McCLELLAND	I.S. CAMPBELL
8	J. WILLIAMS	A.T. HISLOP
9	G.M. ANDERSON	T.J. CRAIG
10	G.D. PYRICH	G.W.G. LIVIE
11	A.C. PETRIE	I.A. MARKS
12	G. SCHOLES	A.J. McCLELLAND
13	D.J. SAVAGE	S.R. GILLAM
14	MRS. E. HARTFORD	J. WILLIAMS
15	R. INGLIS	G.M. ANDERSON
16	D.M. LIVIE	G. D. PYRICH
17	R. A. McBRAYNE	A. C. PETRIE
18	K. WARREN	G. SCHOLES
19	I.W.S. MITCHELL	D.J. SAVAGE
20	M. DYER	R. INGLIS
21	J. SHARP	R.A. McBRAYNE
22	J.P.E. JACK	D. CRICHTON
23	J.M. MacARTHER	K. WARREN
24	B. GOODWIN	A.M. ANDERSON
25	J. McTAGGART	R. MURPHY

INTERNATIONALS

Bd	Sc	Net	SCOTLAND	NETHERLANDS	Bd	Sc	Net	SCOTLAND	NETHERLANDS
1			D BRYSON	P ROOS	31			I MARSHALL	D J VEEGENS
2			A P BORWELL	W VELKER	32			D J SAVAGE	C DULLAERT
3			D A KILGOUR	F J F SCHREEN	33			R DICKSON	M ESCHER
4			T CRAIG	H J de KLEINJEN	34			R INGLIS	D A ROZIJN
5			D JENKINS	Drs Th G SCHUT	35			A J McCLELLAND	H KAMPS
6			Dr K W C STEWART	J KUIPER	36			A BLACK	D W VERMAAS
7			M MELDRUM	W PEET	37			D A HUGHSON	P J BORN
8			C R BEECHAM	H J MOSTERT	38			C J DOWLE	A H BOSS
9			J SEYFRIED	A N v d BERG	39			A GLASS	T de VOS
10			P GIULIAN	J v d HORST	40			R A MacBRAYNE	H LAMEIN
11			Dr V A NYE	Ab DEISZ	41			D CRICHTON	W J LECLUSE
12			G W G LIVIE	J BORST	42			J W VERNON	C W WESTERDUIN
13			A T HISLOP	G WELING	43			S D YOUNG	E J INJA
14			C BOYLE	P MATHIEU	44			R INNES	J van SINTRUYEN
15			R LAWSON	S GROOT	45			J MacARTHUR	F HERBSCHLEB
16			W G BRADY	P H W v d HORST	46			K GORDON	J van der WERF
17			T L MILLIGAN	A v MEGGELEN	47			Mrs M McGEE	C BRINKHUIS
18			A G KIRKLAND	K RAIJMAEKERS	48			D C McROBERTS	J HAFKENSCHIEDT
19			K BEER	G KAMMINGA	49			R JACKSON	J F J VIJVERS
20			G PYRICH	J H L KERSTEN	50			K WARREN	G VERBANCK
21			G M ANDERSON	J JANZEN	51			J MERRIFIELD	K v d LEE
22			G SCHOLAS	A KOFFEMAN	52			J SHARP	G OORBALS
23			D BENNET	R A KUNNE	53			T PATERSON	A BREIDENBACH
24			J McCORMACK	P E VOGEL	54			M DYER	H BIERENBROODSPORT
25			A PETRIE	M A C KOEVOETS	55			A PEARCEY	P SHALKIJK
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30			B GOODWIN	D W BOERWINKEL	60			Mrs J SHARP	R Y JANSEN



Will players please advise results to the International Secretary as soon as a game has been completed (even if a loss!). The build-up of outstanding results and adjudications could otherwise become overwhelming!

Anyone interested in playing in International Matches should contact:

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SECOND WORLD TELECHESS - OLYMPIAD

Organised by FIDE and ICCF, this event is for national teams who will play clock-controlled matches by telex or telephone. It will be run as a knockout with 8 players in each team which, by mutual consent, may contain one lady player and one junior.

The SCA and SCCA jointly have entered a team to represent SCOTLAND. It has been agreed between the Associations that each will select three players, with the SCA arranging also for the lady and junior players.

The SCCA has appointed a small selection sub-committee to decide on its 3 nominees for the event.

The rate of play will be 50 moves in 2 hours.

The event will be completed before the end of 1982 and it is expected that the first round will take place in Spring 1981.

Matches will be played by the use of two telex machines (unless telephone is otherwise mutually agreed).

The Scottish Telecommunications Board has kindly agreed to provide sponsorship for the event in the form of accommodation and use of telex equipment free of charge.

How our International opponents play: (by John Hawkes)

3. - The SWEDES

The following game was played in the Swedish Championship in 1976. Gunnar Carlberg is on top board in our match playing against Alan Borwell (Editor - and playing very well !)

French Defence -McCutcheon (E 05a)

White : G. Carlberg



Black : B. Lindh

1 d4 e6 2 e4 d5 3 Nc3 Nf6 4 Bg5 Bb4 5 e5 h6 6 Bd2 Bxc3 7 bxc3 Ne4 8 Qg4 e6 9 Bd3 Nxd2 10 Kxd2 c5 11 Qf4 Nd7 12 Nf3 Qa5 13 h4 cxd4 14 Nxd4 Nc5 15 h5 g5 16 Qf6 Rg8

More accurate was the ugly 16Rf8

17 Nb5 ! Ne4ch 18 Bxe4 Qxb5 19 Bh7

Gaining an important tempo.

19 Rf8 20 Qxh6 Bd7 21 Bd3 Qa5 22

Qxg5 Rc8 23 Rab1

Abandoning his Q side pawns .

23.... Rxc3 24 Ke2 Qxa2 25 Qd2 Rc7 26 h6 a6 27 h7 Rh8 28 f3

Important - to play Qg5 and have an escape route for his King.

28 Bb5



29 Rxb5 ! axb5 30 Bxb5ch Rc6 31 Qc3 Kf8 32 Bxc6 Qa6ch 33 Kd2 bxc6 34 Qb4ch Kg7 35 Rh4 ! Black Resigns

Richard Beecham's opponent on Board 7 is Antonio Gil. Here is a very quick win which he registered in the 1976 Swedish Championship

Q.P. Tarrasch Defence (D 13c)

White : A. Gil

Black : H. Bromberg

1 d4 d5 2 Nf3 Nf6 3 c4 e6 4 Nc3 c5 5 cxd5 exd5 6 Bg5 Be6 7 Bxf6 Qxf6 8 e4 ! dx4 9 Bb5ch Bd7

The natural 9 Nbd7 leaves white highly developed after 10 Nxe4 Qg6 11 Bxd7 Bxd7 and 12 0-0.

10 Nxe4 Qb6 11 Bxd7ch Nxd7 12 0-0 Be7

Weak. The correct defence is 12 cxd4

and after 13 Nxd4 0-0-0 !

(Bibikov-Zbandutto CC 1947-48)



13 dxc5 Nxc5 14 Nxc5 Bxc5 15 Re1ch Kf8

16 Ne5 Bxf2ch 17 Kf1 Qd4 18 Qf3 f6

19 Qa3ch Black Resigns

Here is Ian Marks opponent defeating a Russian in a recent ICCF Master Class event.

English Opening (R 49c)

White : E. Bengtsson

Black : N.W. Schaportko (USSR)

1 c4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Nc3 Nf6 4 g3 g6 5 Bg2 Bg7 6 0-0 0-0 7 d4 cxd4 8 Nxd4 a6 9 e3 Qc7 10 b3 e6 11 Bb2 Rd8 12 Qe2 Nxd4 13 exd4 d5 14 Rac1 dxc4 15 Ne4 Nxe4 16 Bxe

Not 16 Rxc4 Nxc3 !

16 c3 17 Bxc3 Qb6 18 Rfd1 Bxd4

19 Bxd4 Rxd4 20 Rxd4 Qxd4 21 Rd1 Qb6

22 Qd3 Kf8 23 Qc3 ! Ke7 24 Qh8 h5

25 h4 e5 26 Rd5 ! Qf6 ? 27 Qd8ch Resigns

On board 3, Hugh Holmes opponent is Ake Carlsson from Goteborg. In this game from the Swedish CC Cup event in 1977, the notes are based on those by Ake in 'SSKK' Bulletin.

French Defence - Tarrasch (E 04c)

White : O.Karlsson 

Black : A.Carlsson

1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nd2 Nf6 4 e5 Nfd7
5 Bd3 c5 6 c3 Nc6 7 Ne2 cxd4 8 cxd4 Qb6
9 Nf3 f6 10 exf6 Nxf6 11 0-0 Bd6
12 b3 0-0 13 Bb2 Bd7 14 Ng3 Kh8
15 Re1 ?! Rae8



16 Qd2 ?!
 or 16 Bc2 Ng4 17 Qd3 g6 18 Qe2 Kg8 19
 Rad1 e5 20 dxe5 Bxe5 ! with advantage to
 black. Minev-Uhlmann 1954. An interesting
 possibility is 16 Ne5 ? Nxe5 ! 17 dxe5
 Qxf2!! - with tactical complications of
 fascination.

16 Bb4 ! 17 Bc3 Bxc3 18 Qxc3 e5 !
 That move again. Relatively beat now is 19
 dxe5 Ng4 20 Rc2 , but..
19 Nxe5 ? Nxe5 20 Rxe5 Rxe5 21 dxe5 Ng4
22 Nh1 Rxf2 ! 23 Nxf2 Nxf2
 With multiple threats by discovery.

24 Kf1 Nxd3 25 Qc2
 on 25 Ke2 Qf2ch ! and mates .
25... Nxe5 26 Qf2 Qxf2 27 Kxf2 Ng4ch 28
 Kg3 Ne3 29 Kf2 d4 30 Rc1 Bc6 31 b4 a6 32
 g4 Ng4ch
 White resigns. If Kg1 then d3 wins.

Next we have Ian McKerracher's Board 6
 opponent in action in the 1980 Swedish
 Championship

Ruy Lopez - Modern Steinitz (E 290)

White : B.Wikatrom

Black : K.Hagglof 

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Ba4 d6
5 c3

After the currently favoured 5 0-0 ! , a
 sensational game Beljarsky - Rappoport CC
 1977, resulted from Bg4 with the
 continuation 6 h3 h5 7 d4 b5 8 Bb3 Nxd4 9
 hxg4 hxg4 10 Ng5 Nh6 11 Be3 Be7 12 Nxf7
 Nxf7 13 Bxd4 exd4 14 Bd5 !? Ne5 !!
5 ... f5 6 exf5 Bxf5 7 0-0 Bd3 8 Re1 Be7 9
 Re3

In the previous years Championship,
 Zerpe -Hagglof featured the Radchenko
 variation : 9 Qb3 Rb8 10 c4 e4 11 Nd4 Nf6
 12 Nxc6 ! and white has a firm plus.
9 ... e4 10 Nd4 ?!

More usual is 10 Ne1

10 Qd7 11 Nxc6 bxc6 12 f3 ?!

Theory gives 12 Qh5ch g6 13 Qh3 Nf6 14
 Na3 d5 15 Nc2 , which is drawish.

12 Bg5 ! 13 Re1

If 13 f4 !? Bxf4 ? (Bh6!) 14 Rxd3 exd3 then
 Qf3 is a possibility.

13...Ne7 14 fxe4 0-0 15 Bc2 Bxc2 16 Qxc2
 Bh4 ! 17 Re2

Not 17 g3 ? Bxg3 18 hxg3 Qh3 19 Qd3 Rf6
 followed by Raf8 wins

17...Rf6 18 d3 Raf8 19 Qd1 Bf2ch 20 Kh1
 Qg4 21 Nd2 Ng6 22 e5 Nxe5 23 Nf3

No better was 23 Ne4 after Rg6 24 Bb5 Bb6
 Maybe White only expects 23Rxf3 when
24 Re4 holds on. Now Black has a powerful
 yet subtle sequence.



23 Nxd3 ! 24 h3

If 24 Qxd3 Rxf3

24 Qg3 25 Qxd3 Rxf3 26 Qd1 Bc5

White resigns. One finish would be 27 gxf3 Qxf3ch 28 Kh2 Bf2 Notes based on those in 'SSKK'Bulletinen.



Finally, a game of fantastic positions and surprises - even with the Queens exchanged. Our SCCA Champion in 1980, Chris Morrison is playing Sture_Olsson, who was the first recipient of the SSKK's 'Gold Plate' which is awarded when a player has scored 15pts. in international events. This game was played in a match between Sweden & Finland in 1974-76.

Sicilian Defence - Wing Gambit (E 50a)

White : I.Stromberg

Black : S.Olsson



1 e4 c5 2 b4 cxb4 3 Bb2 d5 4 exd5 Qxd5 5 c4 Qe4ch 6 Ne2 Bf5 7 Qa4ch Nc6 8 d4 e6 9 Nd2 Qc2 10 Qxc2 Bxc2 11 Rc1 Bd3 12 d5 ! Nd8 ! 13 Nf4 Bxf1 14 Kxf1 Nf6 15 Bxf6 gxf6 16 Ne4 f5 17 Nf6ch !? Ke7 18 N4h5 b6 19 c5

White is looking good; 20 d6ch would be mate

19 bxc5 20 Rxc5 Kd6 21 Rb5 Rc8 22 Ne8ch Ke7 23 d6ch Kd7

Naturally seeing 23Kxe8 24 Nf6ch , an unusually economical mate !

24 Nhf6+ Kc6 25 d7 Ra8 26 Re5 Bd6 27 Re2 Nb7 !

Otherwise Rc2ch followed by Ke2 and Rhc1 would be too hot to handle.

28 Rc2ch Nc5 29 Ke2 Be5

Revealing Black's fine active defensive plan 30 Rd1 Rd8 31 g4 ! White tries to maintain his attacking play 31 Bc3 !

The game is just beginning !!

It would be difficult to imagine how many hours of analysis went into the next sequence of moves.

32 Rd6ch Kb7 33 gxf5 exf5 34 Rd5

Black had seen it coming and prepared...

34.... Nxd7 ! 35 Nd6ch Kc6

36 Nxf7 Rde8ch ! 37 Kd3 Nxf6

38 Rd6ch Kb5

Unpinning his bishop

39 Nxh8 Ne4 !

Threatening mate by Nc5

40 Rd5ch Nc5ch 41 Rxc5ch Kxc5

42 Nf7 Re7 43 Ng5 ? Rd7ch 44 Ke3 Kc4

45 Nf3 Re7ch 46 Kf4 Kd3 47 Rc1 Re2

48 Rd1ch Kc4 49 Rd7 Rxa2 50 Ke3 a5

White Resigns. A brilliant defensive triumph by the Swedish player !

Still a little room for a game without notes played by one of the many Bernt Andersson's from Sweden.

French Defence - Winawer (E 07b)

White : M.Kovacevic

Black : B.Andersson



1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e5 c5

5 Qg4 Ne7 6 Nf3 Nbc6 7 Bb5 !? Nf5

Even better is 7cxd4 8 Nxd4 0-0 !

8 dxc5 Bxc5 9 0-0 h5 10 Qf4 Bd7

11 Bd2 Rc8 12 Rad1 a6 13 Bxc6

Better is Bd3

13 Bxc6 14 b4 Ba7 15 a3 Qd7

16 Bc1 Bb5 ! 17 Nxb5 Qxb5 18 Ne1 Rc4 !

19 Qd2 h4 20 Bb2 ?

The bishop has no future on b2

20 Qc6 21 c3 Re4 ! 22 Nf3 ? Ne3 !

White Resigns

My MOST ENJOYABLE POSTAL GAME

One of our best and also most popular postal players is Bill Brady from Clydebank. Bill has a current grading of 183 and is competing in this seasons Candidates. Here is his 'most enjoyable postal game', with notes provided by Bill Brady.

Scottish Correspondence Championship
1980 Sicilian Defence - (E 75b)

White : J.Seyfried

Black : W.G.Brady

1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 N-KB3 N-QB3 3 P-Q4 PxP
4 NxP N-B3 5 N-QB3 P-Q3 6 B-KN5 (The
Richter Attack) 6 P-K3 7 Q-Q2 B-K2 8
0-0-0 0-0 9 N-N3

An unusual move which I have come across quite often in my postal games. It is very passive when white has such strong moves as eg. P-B4 or B-KB4 or KN-N5 !

9 P-Q4 10 PxP NxP 11 BxB N(4)xB !
12 B-Q3

This pins down the QN because of whites threat of BxPch if the black knight moves.

12 P-QN3 13 P-KN4 Q-B2 14 P-KB4
P-QN4 15 P-KR4 R-K1 ?

The KR should be on Q1, but I was trying to use whites K-side pawn advance to open the lines for my rook.

16 P-N5 B-N2 17 N-K4 N-Q4

White was threatening to break through with 18 N-B6ch.

18 KR-B1 N(3)-N5 19 K-N1 QR-QB1 20
P-R5 R(K1)-Q1

The rook finds its right square !

21 P-B5 N-K6 22 QxN(K3) RxB 23 Q-K2
R-K6 24 White Resigns

If 24 QxR QxPch 25 K-R1 QxRch 26 RxQ
N-B7ch 27 K-N1 NxQ and with the knight attacking the R and the bishop the N, white must play 28 R-Q4 but runs out of squares to guard his knight.

Letter sent by the Association to The Post Office,
with a copy to the Secretary of State for Scotland ' On behalf of the Correspondence Chess players in SCOTLAND, we wish to protest about the recent massive increase in postal charges for chess postcards to overseas countries. Prior to 26 Jan. 1981 the charges were 10½p to Europe and 14p to U.S.A., but the new rates are 18p and 20p respectively. As such cards contain little more content than a typical greetings card, we feel that it would have been reasonable to have provided for these postcards at Printed Paper rates ie. 14p and 20p, respectively. A typical example of an international postal chess card is enclosed and we await your considered reply in due course.

READERS LETTER

Dear Editor,

I was pleased to see a response to my article on Telephone Chess but feel I have given the wrong impression as to my approach. The rules and procedure I quoted were those of the organising body. My personal approach is reflected in the premier section which was run some 5 years ago and which I controlled. The players were advised to come to mutual arrangement regarding the telephoning and to enjoy it. As far as I was concerned, there were no problems and the section was completed, strangely enough, not much before the other CC sections. The vast majority of players don't need rules to play CC, they just keep in mind the time control and the adj.date, and with that they get on with it. The same applies to Telephone Chess.

So, at the third time of asking, if any players are interested in playing by telephone and consider themselves to be members of the 'vast majority', then let the Association know you are willing to try it. We seem to have two potential players in Ken Beer and George Weeden. I like Ken's idea of repeating previous move in tele-chess. This should help to prevent misunderstandings.

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