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Welcome to the second issue of our Magazine! Our first issue seems to have been well received - judging by the number of favourable comments the Committee has heard. One immediate benefit to the Association is that we have received several requests for International Matches which, hopefully, we will be able to start later in the year. I received an interesting letter from Mr. Vernon (who I thought was our oldest member). He tells me that, at 81, he is still only a boy and that Major Bruges, who now lives in Wiltshire, is some six years older. The hunt for our oldest member continues!

A request was forwarded to me by John Glendinning, President of the SJCA. He has received a letter from Martyn Griffith, who used to be a member of the Dragon Club (now defunct). The request is for a correspondence match over 10 or 12 boards between the Welsh club at Neath and a Scottish club. Martyn has a flourishing club - mainly juniors - and is looking for competition with a club whose strength is comparable with the (OTB) Glasgow League middle to lower divisions. Interested Club Secretaries are asked to write to him at 15 Brookfield, Taillywd Road, Neath Abbey, Neath (or phone Neath 56332).

There are always requests for information about our activities and I invariably find myself sitting down and eventually writing a different letter each time. Sometimes I pick up the phone and have a long conversation. This is really a plea for somebody to take on the useful task of designing publicity brochures and leaflets. Why should we not do what other CC organisations do in this respect?

The Association's Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday 7th June at 3.00pm in Rhuallan House, 1 Montgomery Drive, Glasgow. The Agenda will be:

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| 1. Minutes of the previous AGM | 5. Election of Executive Committee members |
| 2. Secretary's Report | 6. Election of Auditor |
| 3. Treasurer's Report | 7. Constitution |
| 4. Subscriptions | 8. Any other business |

The AGM is the one definite time when views can be aired and changes can be made. Even though only a few people will probably be able to attend, there is nothing to stop people writing and letting their views be known. The Constitution of the Association is reproduced on pages 2 and 3. On the question of who can vote at the AGM, we have (so far) gone for the simple life and our Constitution stipulates that only members who attend can vote. Doubtless, in the course of time, we may need to allow for proxy voting - which is a typical business but rather formal practice. One topic that will be definitely mentioned at the AGM is the Candidates Tournament issue - should there be a Candidates Tournament between the Premier and the Championship Final? Allan Hislop has prepared a very useful document (see page 10), which gives several arguments why there should be such a tournament and also outlines a possible composition of each of the Championship events (ie. Major, Premier, Candidates, Final). If you have any views on this issue or on any other matter, it is imperative that you let us know. In the absence of other views, the Committee's opinions will have to prevail!! - but there is no such thing as 'government behind closed doors.' What there usually is (with community/district councils being good examples) is apathy in that people do not bother about meetings nor write about grievances and so there is a form of 'dictatorship' - hopefully benevolent!!

Certainly we need a Publicity Officer and - if we are going to introduce any new tournaments (do we need any more tournaments?) - we will also want one or two extra Controllers. People should really volunteer! There are several of you - no names for the moment, although I may have to resort to strongly worded requests! - who could help the Association a great deal with publicity or controlling or even writing articles for the Magazine occasionally!

Finally, I would ask players to notify Controllers of results as soon as possible. Also, would the players in the Handicap tell their Controller when they would like extra opponents. Since the start of the season there has been a steady stream of new members wanting, games in the Handicap. Without a complete up-to-date knowledge of players' availability, the arranging of pairings for them is not always as easy as Allan and I would like!

A last thought, can you recruit a new member for next season?!

THE SCOTTISH CORRESPONDENCE CHESS ASSOCIATION

The Constitution

1. NAME

The organisation shall be called the Scottish Correspondence Chess Association (shortened only to Scottish CCA) but hereafter referred to as the Association.

2. AIMS

The primary aim of the Association is to foster and encourage the playing of chess by correspondence and other means of communication, and in particular

- (a) to organise and administer the Scottish Correspondence Chess individual and team Championships and qualifying sections
- (b) to enter Scottish teams into International Correspondence Chess matches and competitions
- (c) to affiliate with the Scottish Chess Association and to the International Correspondence Chess Federation (ICCF).

3. MEMBERSHIP

Membership, Life or Annual, shall be open to all chess players.

4. SUBSCRIPTION AND FINANCE

- (a) The Association's financial year shall be from 1st April to 31st March
- (b) Annual members shall pay a subscription, the amount of which shall be decided at the Annual General Meeting and shall become due in October each year.
- (c) Life membership subscriptions shall be decided at the AGM.
- (d) The Treasurer shall present audited accounts for approval at the AGM.
- (e) The Association shall have power to raise funds from other sources.

5. MANAGEMENT OF THE ASSOCIATION

- (a) Management of the Association shall be carried out by an Executive Committee consisting of the PRESIDENT, SECRETARY/TREASURER, ASSISTANT SECRETARY, GRADING OFFICER, PUBLICITY AND MEMBERSHIP OFFICER, INTERNATIONAL SECRETARY, and two others. Elections to the Committee shall be held at the AGM.
- (b) The Executive Committee shall be elected from among members of the Association consenting nomination by two members at the AGM to serve for one year and be eligible for re-election.
- (c) The organisation of the tournaments, leagues and matches will be controlled by a Sub-Committee comprising the Secretary as Chairman, Assistant Secretary and Tournament Controllers appointed by the Executive Committee.
- (d) When a vacancy occurs a replacement shall be appointed by the Executive Committee to fill the vacancy until the next AGM at which the replacement shall retire and be eligible for re-election.
- (e) The Association through its Executive Committee shall be empowered to co-opt temporary officers to carry out special duties.

6. PROCEDURE

(i) AGM

- (a) There shall be an Annual General Meeting within 6 weeks of 1st May each year.
- (b) The Secretary shall give 3 weeks' notice in writing to all members of the date, time and venue of the meeting and shall forward the agenda at the same time.
- (c) Items for inclusion on the agenda shall be advised to the Secretary to reach him by 31st March.
- (d) All members of the Executive Committee shall retire at the AGM but be eligible for re-election.
- (e) An auditor shall be appointed at the AGM for the next year.
- (f) The Constitution may only be amended at the Association's Annual General Meeting or at a Special General Meeting called for the purpose.
- (g) A quorum of 6 shall be required at the AGM.

(ii) SGM

- (a) A Special General Meeting may be called at the request of the executive Committee or of 10 members.
- (b) Within two weeks of receipt of the notice in writing requesting an SGM the Secretary shall give 3 weeks' notice of the agenda in writing to all members giving the date, time and venue.
- (c) A quorum of 6 shall be required at the SGM.

(iii) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- (a) The Executive Committee shall meet at least once each year.
- (b) A quorum of 4 shall be required at an Executive Committee meeting.

(iv) VOTING

- (a) All voting decisions shall be by a simple majority of members present and voting.
- (b) The Chairman or other presiding officer shall not have a vote except in the event of a tie, when he shall have the casting vote.

7. LIMITATIONS

- (a) The name of the Association may not be used without the permission of the Executive Committee.
- (b) The Association shall have the right to suspend or to expel an officer or member acting against the aims of the Association after full consideration of the case at a Special General Meeting called for that purpose. The member shall have the right to present his case either orally and/or in writing, and to be represented by one other person of his/her choice. A person shall have the right to appeal to the Association at the AGM immediately following.

8. INTERPRETATION

- (a) The Association at an AGM or an SGM shall be the sole interpreter of this Constitution.
- (b) Any matter not provided for in this Constitution shall be dealt with by the executive Committee, pending endorsement at the Association's AGM.

S.C.C.A. TOURNAMENTS 1979 - 1980

Scottish Correspondence Checa Championship 1980

		M	B	C	J	W	Br	Be	Mc	S	K	N	PTS	POS
C.J.MORRISON	ABERDEEN						½							
W.G.BRADY	CLYDEBANK							0						
T.J.CRAIG	GLASGOW											½		
D.M.JENKINS	INVERNESS													
W.P.WATSON	GLASGOW											½		
D.BRYSON	GLASGOW	½			½			½		½				
R.BEECHAM	PRESTWICK		1				½							
D.McKERRACHER	BRACO													
J.SEFRIED	KILMARNOCK						½							
D.A.KILGOUR	DUNDEE											1		
Dr.V.A.NYE	EAST KILBRIDE			½		½					0			

The top four players will be eligible to play in the 1981 Championship.

Premier Sections 1980

P 66

	A	D	G	M	Sp	Sw	PTS	POS
D.G.ANDERSON			0 0	1				
R.DICKSON								
P.M.GIULIAN	1 1			1 1				
D.G.McROBERTS	0		0 0		0	1		
G.R.SPROTT				1		1		
M.A.SWYSTUN				0	0			

P 68

	Bi	Bo	C	H	Md	Me	PTS	POS
Prof.G.H.BIRD			1 1		½ 0			
C.F.BOYLE			1 1					
R.E.CLAPHAM	0 0	0 0		0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	W/D
A.T.HISLOP			1 1					
A.J.McCLELLAND	½ 1		1 1			1		
M.E.McGHEE			1 1		0			

P 70

	J	Ml	Mn	Q	T	W	PTS	POS
R.JACKSON					½½	0 ½		
I.MARSHALL								
B.J.MARTIN				1				
D.QUINN			0					
I.THOMPSON	½½							
J.WILLIAMS	1 ½							

Major Sections 1980

M 29

	Br	Bu	C	G	Mc	PTS	POS
A.BREND		1 1			½		
J.BURNS	0 0		0 0	0 0	0 0	0	W/D
J.A.CLAYTON		1 1			1 1		
D.L.GILLESPIE		1 1			1 1		
J.McLAY	½	1 1	0 0	0 0			

M 31

	B	K	L	P	R	PTS	POS
C.T.W.BEVERIDGE			1 1	1 1	1 1		
R.KILPATRICK					1 1		
L.J.LANE	0 0			1 1	1 1		
A.PEARCEY	0 0	0 0	0 0		1 1	2	
A.REID	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0		0	

P 67

	A	B	C	K	M	W	PTS	POS
G.M.ANDERSON			1 1					
K.BEER			1 1			1 ½		
I.CREELMAN	0 0	0 0		0 0	0 0	0 0	0	W/D
A.H.KERR			1 1					
M.MELDRUM Jnr.			1 1			1 1		
G.WEEDEN		0 ½	1 1		0 0			

P 69

	B	Mb	Me	M	P	R	PTS	POS
C.J.BOWN				0	0 ½	1 1		
R.A.MacBRAYNE						1 1		
Mrs.M.McGHEE				0 0		1 1		
I.A.MARKS	1		1 1		½ ½	1 1		
G.D.PYRICH	1 ½			½½		1 1		
W.S.ROACH	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0			W/D

Outright winners of each Premier Section Will qualify automatically for the 1981 Championship.

In these events each competitor plays two games against each opponent, one with the white pieces and one with black.

M 30

	Br	H	P	S	W	PTS	POS
W.J.BROWN				1 1			
G.HAMILTON			0 0				W/D
A.PETRIE		1 1		1 1			
A.J.STEWART	0 0		0 0		0 0		
K.WARREN				1 1			

M 32

	H	Mc	M	T	V	PTS	POS
F.HALL							
T.McMORRAN			1	1 1	½ 0		
M.MOLNAR		0					
I.TAYLOR		0 0					
J.W.VERNON		1 ½		1			

Major Sections 1980 (continued)

Winners and runners-up in each Major Section will be eligible to play in a Premier Section next season. In the Major, each competitor plays two games against each opponent, one with the white pieces and one with black.

Quartet Trophies 1980 All play all events two games against each opponent.

1980 FINALS

Q 80 -1 Postal Knight (holder- I.Thompson)

	C	K	P	T	PTS	POS
S.R.CAPSEY						
A.H.KERR						
T.PATERSON						
I.THOMPSON						

Q 82 - Postal Rook (holder- J.Lewis)

	L	Mb	Mc	S	PTS	POS
J.LEWIS						
R.A.MacBRAYNE						
A.J.McCLELLAND						
D.J.SAVAGE						

1980 QUARTET SECTIONS

Q 83

	L	Pe	Pr	S	PTS	POS
G.W.G.LIVIE				1 1		
A.PETRIE			½ 0	1 1		
V.A.PROUDLER		1 ½		1 1		
Miss M.M. STEPHEN	0 0	0 0	0 0		0	W/D

Q 85

	B	H	M	R	PTS	POS
R.BEACON			0 0	1 1		
G.HAMILTON						
R.MITCHELL	1 1			1 1		
A.REID	0 0		0 0			

Q 87

	D	L	M	W	PTS	POS
M.DYER		1 1	1 1	1 1	6	1st
L.J.LANE	0 0		1 1	1 1	4	2
R.MITCHELL	0 0	0 0		0 0	0	4
J.M.WALKER	0 0	0 0	1 1		2	3

SWISS TOURNAMENT - FINAL PLACINGS 1977-79 (by Allan Hislop)

D.Kilgour	13½ pts.	First Prize £9
A.B.Glass	11½ pts.	Second equal Prize £3.50
A.G.Kirkland	11½ pts.	Second equal Prize £3.50
R.A.MacBrayne	11 pts.	Fourth Prize £2
E.Hartford	10½ pts.	
M.A.Swystun	10½ pts.	
R.Kilpatrick	9½ pts.	
J.P.L.Lumsden	7½ pts.	
D.McCracken	7 pts.	
L.Lane	6½ pts.	
K.Gordon	5½ pts.	
R.Mitchell	3½ pts.	
J.Watson (jnr)	3½ pts.	

Q 81 - Postal Shield (holder- R.Dickson)

	D	La	Li	T	PTS	POS
R.DICKSON		0 1				
L.J.LANE	1 0					
D.M.LIVIE						
T.A.H.TAYLOR						

The players in each Quartet Trophy Final qualified by winning an earlier Quartet section. The holder of each Trophy is eligible to defend his title in the following season.

Q 84

	C	G	T	W	PTS	POS
J.A.CLAYTON			1	0		
K.GORDON						
A.TAYLOR	0					
A.WILSON	1					

Q 86

	H	K	L	S	PTS	POS
P.D.HAMPTON		0 0				
J.KENNEDY	1 1		1 1			
D.LOEB		0 0				
M.SUTHERLAND						

SWISS TOURNAMENT 1977-79 - Report continued, . .

The tournament started in November 1977 with 21 players playing two games with two opponents in each round every six months, the final round ending mid-January 1980.

Congratulations to D. Kilgour on his win and to the runners-up, also to those who stayed with the tournament despite having little chance of a prize which as can be seen total £18, from an original entry of 21. The costs of running the Swiss are high due to the pairing notices having to be sent out four times (at the end of each round). It is spread over two years but this is offset by increased charges over the two years.

However, I know we will still run a Swiss next season if we get enough entries, so have a look at the prize money and enter for the Swiss. Apart from the prizes, it offers continuous play against only two opponents throughout the year and with the latest increased postal charges to 12p and 10p for 1st and 2nd class post, should be popular with those wishing to spread costs.

First round draw and results to date for 1979-81 are:

E. Hartford			M. E. McGhee	D. Crichton	2	0	R. Mitchell
E. Hartford	2	0	J.W. McLay	D. Crichton	1	0	C.R. James
G. R. Sprott	1½	½	J.W. McLay	R.A. McBrayne			M. Melville
G.R. Sprott	1	0	T.A. Taylor	R.A. McBrayne			C.R. James
G. Hamilton	1	1	T.A. Taylor	J.M. Herries			M. Melville
G. Hamilton			R. Mitchell	J.M. Herries			M. E McGhee

Adjudication date for this round was 22nd April 1980. The second round will start round about 10th May. This will entail play during the holiday months so the adjudication date will be extended to end of November. Remember there is a grading prize for the highest placed player whose grading is below 135.

HANDICAP TOURNAMENT (by Allan Hislop)

This tournament continues to be popular and has now got nearly 40 players taking part. As this involves over 100 games over the season, it is impractical to give each individual result so I will just give the leading results.

Promotions from last year due to games being played over the summer months include: J. Jack, class 6 to 5; G. Mulholland, class 6 to 5; R. Wilson, class 5 to 4; and L. J. Lane, class 5 to 4. Another notable result is from G. R. Sprott who by taking on two opponents in August has now won enough points to gain promotion from class 3 to 2, and before he qualified for this took on another 5 new opponents under his old class 3, so beware! C. R. James is another dark horse and on results to date will be going from class 6 to 5, as will J. Sharp be going up to class 5.

Congrats to all these players. There are two or three players who are half-way to promotion with half the required 30 points, but I will not mention them by name in case their opponents start playing harder! There have been quite a few new players joining the Handicap since the start of the season and while I have managed to fix them up with games, I am at times temporarily short of suitable opponents. This could be overcome if players were to ask for new opponents when finishing a game. Quite a few players challenge the same opponent who has just finished a game with them. This is fine as I can see they want revenge, but I would ask them to take on another new opponent at the same time and this will prevent some players having to wait too long for a game.

A final comment, I notice one game result which started on 17th February 1980 and finished on 26th March consisted of 50 moves each in the game!! Are they working in the same office? Or are they

Players in the Handicap at 29th March.

Class 2		Class 5	Class 6 cont'd.
	P.G.Bassett	Brian Noon	J.Merrifield
	I.Marshall	Kevin Maguire	W.Monaghan
Class 3		J.H.Lawson	G.Mullholland
		J.C.Brannan	R.Mitchell
	Major Bruges	T.Paterson	D.Loe
	Mrs. E.Hartford	J.Jack	C.R.James
	R.A.MacBrayne	P.D.Hampton	A.Wilson
	R.Dickson		H.Hamilton
	G.R.Sprott	Class 6	
Class 4		J.Peacock	
		A.Griffith	
	J.P.L.Lumsden	P.Wilson	The Handicap Tournament
	G.A.Reaves	I.Sexton	can be entered at any time
	J.M.Herries	I.Peace	
	I.Thompson	Mrs.G.Sharp	by application to:
	L.J.Lane	J.Sharp	Allan Hislop,
	Richard Wilson	I.Beresford	4 Ascog Street,
	D.McCracken	A.Paterson	Glasgow G42 7JN.

Scottish Correspondence Chess League - 1979-80 (by Ken Gordon)

Division 1

Chess Suppliers (Scotland)Ltd.		Perth Correspondents		Shetlands
Team A		Team C		Team E
1 G.W.G.Livie - v E		A.P.Borwell - v F		K.Beer - v A
2 A.J.Shaw 1-0 v D		J.E.Hawkes - v B		M.Yianni - v F
3 W.P.Watson - v C		I.MacKintosh - v A		Dr.R.Ditchburn - v D
4 D.M.Livie - v B		Dr. A.Dlugolecki 0-2 v E		A.Black 2-0 v C
Inverness		Perth Players		Shettleston
Team B		Team D		Team F
1 D.M.Jenkins - v D		K.Mitchell - v B		G.Morrison - v C
2 K.J.Munro - v C		A.Stewart 0-1 v A		D.M.Bryson - v E
3 J.L.Treasurer - v F		A.S.Collie - v E		W.Roach - v B
4 K.M.Fryer - v A		W.Lowe - v F		J.Gardener - v D

Division 2

Airdrie Juniors		Crowwood		Falkirk RSVP
Team T		Team W		Team Y
1 P.D.Hampton 0-2 v Y		G.Mullholland 0-2 v Z		J.J.Campbell 2-0 v T
2 P.Harnes 0-2 v X		D.Gillespie - v V		A.B.Glass - v Z
3 G.Moffat 0-2 v W		J.McGuinness 2-0 v T		G.Hamilton - v X
4 C.R.Hampton 0-2 v V		C.Cameron - v Y		J.McLay - v W
Black Knight		Dounreay		Airdrie Pawnbrokers
Team V		Team X		Team Z
1 K.Warren - v X		D.J.Savage - v V		J.Lewis 2-0 v W
2 M.E.McGhee - v W		D.G.McRoberts 2-0 v T		A.H.Kerr - v Y
3 D.Lawson 0-2 v Z		P.Kelly - v Y		C.T.W.Beveridge 2-0 v V
4 R.Mitchell 2-0 v T		T.A.Taylor - v Z		D.McFarlane - v X

In Division 2, Airdrie Juniors conceded all of their games, one player after 2 moves, the reason for one resignation was 'too much school work'. This is unfortunate for Airdrie Pawnbrokers as they had no games with Airdrie Juniors, and therefore did not receive any 'gift' points.

PERSONALITIES OF THE ASSOCIATION - NO.2

ALLAN HISLOP (Profile by Val Nye)

In the course of one of our many discussions, I asked Allan what I could write about him. Quick as a flash, the answer came back "nothing!" A little later, I asked him about his best games. He came up fairly quickly with a reference to a game that won a Best Game Prize - for his opponent! After some further conversation, Allan said "I must away this time", and I knew that it was time for him to return to his work.

On reflection you realise that Allan is, really, very self-effacing and prefers to avoid the limelight. He is far more concerned that something is being done than letting it be known that many of the main ideas and effort come from him. Allan is a Technical Officer with the GPO, and he tells me that a large part of his time is spent on fault-finding in telecommunications. Being based in the centre of Glasgow he has to investigate, for example, telephone links with computers. There is a great deal of deduction in his work - locating the precise position and nature of any particular fault - and his working hours are very irregular. Quite often he has to work until midnight. Last season he had (for him) a very bad performance in the Championship Final. This can only be attributed to the very bad winter weather, since Allan was then working to all hours of the day and night and had little time to spare for anything else.

Since leaving school the only time he has not been working with telephones for the GPO was during his National Service. In 1945 he was required to serve his country for 3 years. Because of his outstanding skills, he went into the Royal Corps of Signals and was an effective Instructor. Surprisingly, it was only some years later that he learned to play chess. For many years he was a member of the Glasgow club and ran the library (the club had a library and one could argue that the club should never have disposed of it). One of the few competitions he won was the club's Minor Tournament. In the 60s he transferred his allegiance to the Cathcart club, and he has been its President.

With marriage and the coming of children, Allan found he could not always manage club nights regularly. He took up correspondence chess and played in some BCCA events. Curiously, one of his opponents was the British Ambassador in Morocco! As time went by, he was roped in to help Bernard Partridge with setting up and running correspondence chess events in Scotland.

More and more people began to take part in these events. Eventually Bernard and Allan decided it was time to set up the National Association. Despite ever-increasing postal charges, the healthy state of our Association is a tribute not only to Bernard but also to Allan.

Typically, Allan says very little about his family life. A 25th wedding anniversary is not too far off but he has not told me when! His daughter, who is a teacher, is getting married this October. His son looks like following his footsteps and is studying telecommunications.

More can, doubtless, be written about one of the most helpful persons you could ever wish to meet. No matter, we all wish Allan and his family well for the future.

White s A.T.Hislop S.C.C.A.Final 1973/74

Black s C.W.Marshall French Defence (E 04c)

1 P-K4 P-K3 2 P-Q4 P-Q4 3 N-QB3 N-KB3 4 P-K5 KN-K2 5 P-B4 P-QB4 6 N-B3 N-QB3 7 B-K3 PxP 8 NxP B-B4 10 0-0-0 P-QR3 11 N-N3 B-K2 12 P-KN4 P-QN4 13 P-N5 N-N3 14 Q-B2 N-B5 15 N-K4 Q-B2 16 N-B6ch K-R1 17 B-Q3 PxN 18 NPxP BxP 19 PxB P-K4 20 BxP Q-Q2 21 P-B5 Resigns. An accurately played game with a very neat finish,.

TELEPHONE CHESS (by Allan Hislop)

Sending chess moves by telephone instead of by post will be quite an attractive method to many players. It is not new by any means and in fact a telephone chess organisation operates from London. It is a very easy and economic way to send moves. Provided the rate of play is kept at the usual rate as in correspondence chess a comparable level of play will result. If the game is played too hastily with a dozen moves being exchanged in a week, it becomes rather light-hearted which in itself can be very enjoyable but would not do for a serious tournament. Some years ago we did run one of the Premiers on a telephone move basis and it was very successful with few problems arising. However, it was noticeable that few elected to repeat this method of play in the following season. This I believe was due to a number of factors, one of which was having to be available at certain times to receive moves on the phone and having to make calls at fixed times in the evening to opponents which can be a nuisance if other matters have to be seen to. Nor are things helped when the telephone is in use at the time of contact. Again a player may miss the more relaxed approach which can be made when dealing with a postal move.

Having said all that, I am not giving the thumbs down to telephone chess and I hope these remarks will point out some of the problems which occur and which may help those interested to decide if they would like to use this method in a separate tournament.

The great advantages are the speed of reply and the cost per game. A local call during the cheap rate costs 3½p for 12 mins. and 3½p for 1 min. to the furthest place in Britain. There are intermediate lengths of time for 3½p for places in-between those I have quoted. As can be seen, the local call gives ample time to pass the move while the extreme case might be a bit of a scramble, but even paying for 2 mins if it was found necessary would still be cheaper than the post.

The speed of reply is much quicker and players may be tempted to speed up their play, but if the actual playing time is kept to the normal 10 moves in 20 days as in correspondence play, this will keep the game at as high a level. In order to achieve this high quality of game, it is necessary in a tournament to introduce certain rules and procedures. So I will give the main outline of the way a tournament would be run, and if there are enough players interested in telephone chess, I am sure the ScoCCA would run such a tournament.

Telephone Chess Rules and Procedure:

1. Normal rules of Sco CCA apply. Ten moves in twenty days.
2. All games started by post to allow agreement on times of telephone contact.
3. White will telephone his move to Black in game 'A'.
4. Black will at a later date telephone his reply in game 'A' and his move as white in game 'B'.
5. Each player must keep a copy of the game and in addition White in game 'A' will enter all moves in both games on the official scorecard.
6. After five moves have been made in game 'A', White will send by post the official score card which he keeps up-to-date, to his opponent who will check the scorecard and initial if correct. He will then return the scorecard to White in game 'A'.
7. After a further five moves have been made, the scorecard is sent for check end initialling, and so on every five moves in the 'A' game. Notice that the 'B' game is checked and initialled as well every five moves of the 'A' game even if the 'B' game is out of step with the 'A' game.
8. At the end of the game, the official scorecard is returned to Controller.
9. English descriptive notation will be used for all moves. In telephoning a move the pieces involved must be named, ie. Bishop takes pawn, not B takes P.
10. The caller will state his name, the identifying number of game and the move number, giving the move in 'A' first and then in 'B' game.
11. The receiver will repeat back the move as he understands it to prevent error. He must not make a reply move during that call.
12. Conversation other than for details of move may only be started by the player who is paying for the call.
13. If telephone contact breaks down for more than a few days, the game should continue by post until telephone contact is re-established.
14. If an opponent is unable to accept a move on the appointed time he must agree to call back at a time convenient to his opponent.
15. The use of the telephone is primarily to save cost, not to save time, and players may find replies coming back to them very quickly, giving less time for analysis.
16. To prevent any loss in quality of play, it is suggested that the full playing time be used before replying to a move.

EDITORIAL COMMENT (Alan Borwell)

Our second edition has four more pages than the inaugural issue. I am most grateful for the contributions sent to me by various members, but I would like to mention Allan Hislop, in particular, for his interesting and thought provoking articles.

When George Livie sent the Games Section, he had only received a very limited number of games but I understand that, recently, the response has been more encouraging. As the season progresses, both with home and international events, I hope that you will all send games to George, preferably annotated. This will restrain the inclusion of too many games played by your office-bearers!! To stimulate a little more interest, I will be donating a Best Games Prize of £10 for the game which George Livie adjudges to be the best he has received before 31st July, each season.

You will see from this edition that both English and Algebraic notations have been used and there are also some variations in the layout of games scores. I would welcome members views on their preferences please

Further good progress has been made in the arrangement of further International matches, which are being handled splendidly by Richard Beecham. A most important ICCF meeting, which will deal with Scotland's recognition for official international correspondence chess events, will be held in Austria in September. We all hope that this long outstanding issue will be resolved to the satisfaction of those concerned and that we shall soon have Scottish teams playing in World and European Olympiade and Team events.

Next issue, will be late July or August, when all results are known. Please try to come to the AGM but, if you cannot manage, let Val Nye or Allan Hislop have your views !

RESTRUCTURING PROPOSALS 1980-81 (by Allan Hislop)

These are proposals for the introduction of a Candidates section which I hope could be introduced at the start of the coming season.

I think a Candidates section would ensure that the Final is kept at a consistently high level. It has been observed that the strength of a Premier can be adversely affected by the varying and unknown strength of promotions from the Major. Also the result in a Premier can be adversely affected by the withdrawal of a player, or produce a winner who may, due to good fortune, have a relatively easy way to the Final, whereas other sections may be very hotly contested. In effect a Candidates would spread the effect of withdrawals, etc.

Next season we must provide 5 places for the winners of 5 Premiers, so 5 will be relegated from the Final. We could have a SINGLE Candidates section made up of these 5 relegated and the 5 runners-up in this season's Premiers, resulting in a 10 player Candidates for next season, and this is what I favour. However, it may be that two 'Candidates' sections would give us more flexibility.

I have shown a single Candidates with perhaps 11 players, but this would be the maximum. Any more would require two Candidates of perhaps 7 or 8 players each. The allocation of players is theoretical as we have players dropping out (if not due to promotion!) and in case of the Final, often the winner opts out the following season, as do some in the top four. This is a problem we have with the current set-up but I would suggest that if there are problems filling any places in Final or Candidates, then the numbers should be cut in the section affected. It could be that in the Candidates we will not have the required number taking up places and in that case we could accept direct entry from players above a certain grading.

It has been suggested that there may be problems introducing a Candidates, due to promotions and relegations from the present system but I think I have suggested what is in most people's minds as to how it will be done. An advantage of the Candidates is that it might keep players dropping out from the championships as they now have a better chance of getting into the top four. Certainly their chances of doing so are better where they make a clerical error in one game, which in a 6 player Premier is fatal.

I would welcome having members' views please.

Introduction of Candidates Section 7
Proposals for 1980-81 Season

CHAMPIONSHIP

11 players

All play all

1 game against each opponent

'Wastage' places to be filled by 5th placed player 80/81 Final, then 6th, 7th, then from Candidates next highest player(s)

1	Winner 79/80 Final
2	2nd place " "
3	3rd " "
4	4th " "
5	5th in 79/80 If no ties Premier
6	6th " If no tie Premier
7	Winner of P66 79/80
8	Winner of P67 "
9	Winner of P68 "
10	Winner of P69 "
11	Winner of P70 "

} Top four retain places 1981-82

} 7th, then 6th, then 5th relegated if ties in Candidates.

} Bottom four relegated 1981-82

CANDIDATES

10 or 11 players

All play all

1 game against each opponent.

'Wastage' places to be filled by players graded 175 or above. Otherwise numbers to be cut to suit.

1	7th placed in 79/80 Final
2	8th " " "
3	9th " " "
4	10th " " "
5	11th " " "
6	2nd in P66 79/80
7	2nd in P67 "
8	2nd in P68 "
9	2nd in P69 "
10	2nd in P70 "
11	Direct entry 175+ CC grading

} Top four promoted to 1981-82 Final

} Players remain in Candidates for 1981-82

} Bottom four relegated 1981-82

PREMIERS (4)

- Each of six players, all play all sections, two games against each opponent. Outright winners promoted, bottom player relegated.

- 1 1st M29 79/80
- 2 2nd M30 "
- 3 3rd P66 "
- 4 3rd P70 "
- 5 5th P68 "
- 6 Open place

- 1 1st M30 79/80
- 2 2nd M29 "
- 3 3rd P67 "
- 4 4th P66 "
- 5 4th P69 "
- 6 5th P67 "

- 1 1st M31 79/80
- 2 2nd M32 "
- 3 3rd P68 "
- 4 4th P67 "
- 5 4th P70 "
- 6 5th P69 "

- 1 1st M32 79/80
- 2 2nd M31 "
- 3 3rd P69 "
- 4 4th P68 "
- 5 5th P70 "
- 6 5th P66 "

PREMIERS (4)

- Each of six player., all play all sections, two games against each opponent. Outright winners promoted, bottom player relegated.

1	3rd M29 79/80
2	4th M30 "
3	Open
4	"



1	3rd M30 79/80
2	4th M29 "
3	Open
4	"



11.

1	3rd M31 79/80
2	4th M32 "
3	Open
4	"



1	3rd M32 79/80
2	4th M31 "
3	Open
4	"



I.C.C.F. MASTER CLASS

1978/80 WT/M/GT/81

Kings Indian Defence (D 91b)

White : A.P. Borwell

Black : Henryk Bieluszewski
(Poland)

1 P-Q4

After many years, I decided to return to the queen's side because of poor results with white in postal chess against the French Defence and the Marshall Counter Attack in the Ruy Lopez.

1		N-KB3
2	P-QB4	P-KN3
3	N-QB3	B-N2
4	P-K4	P-Q3
5	B-K2	0-0
6	B-N5	QN-Q2

In this variation, the advance of black's kings pawn is not good because of the exchange of pawns and queens followed by N-Q5 by white.

7	Q-Q2	P-B4
8	P-Q5	N-K1 ?!

An interesting move here is 8...P-QN4 when after 9 PxP P-QR3 10 P-B3 Q-R4 11 N-R3 P-QB5, as in Hort v Westerinen Helsinki 1979, leads to complexities.

9	N-B3	P-B3
10	B-R6	BxB
11	QxB	N-N2

It would appear that black was hoping to use his knights to better effect in a closed position. In some variations the white queen on h6 could be trapped

12	P-KR4	P-QR3
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This thematic move, aimed at queen's side expansion. is too slow. Black must take action on the king's side eg. R-KB2 with the secure N-KB1 in mind.



Position after
12.....P-QR3

13 N-KN5 !!

I spent five days deciding whether or not to play this speculative sacrifice - alternative ways of continuing with a king's side attack were not very promising and I did not fancy retreating my queen!

13		PxN
14	PxP	K-B2

Probably best. If 14... N-K4

15	QxP ch.	K-B2	16 P-B4	N-N5
17 P-B5	PxP	18 BxN	PxB	19 0-0 ch.

is good for white.

15	QxRP	R-KN1
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Black's position is very difficult as there is no co-ordination in his pieces and insufficient time to reorganise - what else could be played?

16	R-R4!
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Without this move, the knight sacrifice would have been unsound.

16		N-B8
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Too late, he is in a mating net

17	R-B4 ch.	B-B4
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If 17... KK1 18 QxR would be hopeless

18	RxB ch	PxR
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19	B-R5 ch	Resigns
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Checkmate follows

Notes by Alan Borwell

I.C.C.F. MASTER CLASS
1978/80 WT/M/GT/81

French Defence (E 03 d)

White : G.S. Genchev
(Bulgaria)

Black : A.P. Borwell
1 P-K4 P-K3

Having found this to be very difficult to play against with the white pieces, I have started to use it, with some success!

2 P-Q4 P-Q4
3 N-Q2 P-QB4
4 KPxP KPxP
5 KN-B3 N-QB3
6 B-N5 B-Q3

Although this bishop has to move twice more in the next three moves, black must develop his king's side and block the e file.

7 0-0 N-K2
8 PxP BxP
9 N-N3 B-Q3

The alternative of 9... B-N3 allows white to play R-K1 and B-K3 at the appropriate time and transpose into a favourable end game.

10 N(N3)-Q4
This is the classical move, blockading the isolated pawn. However 10 B-N5 is more aggressive and is played more frequently. An important game between Holmov and Uhlmann in 1978 continued 10 B-N5 0-0 11 R-K1 P-OR3! 12 B-Q3 B-KN5 13 P-B3 Q-B2 14 P-KR3 B-R4 15 B-K2 KR-K1 16 N(B)-Q4 B-N3 17 B-Q3 NxN 18 NxN N-B3 19 BxB RPxB 20 Q-Q3 N-K4 21 Q-B2 B-B4 22 R(K)-Q1 B-R2 23 QR-B1 QR-B1 24 B-R4 Q-B5

and black has at least equality
10 0-0
11 P-QN3 B-KN5

12 B-N2 Q-N3

13 NxN PxN

14 B-Q3

According to Gligoric's book on the French Defence, white has a sound position and black active pieces - with chances being equal.

14 N-N3

15 P-KR3 BxN

Although the two bishops look menacing, I had calculated that I could parry any threats and gain counterplay.

16 QxB KR-K1

17 KR-K1 Q-R4!

The threats on e1 and a2 are embarrassing for white.

18 RxR RxR

19 P-QR4

Best, although he must have been unhappy about conceding the e file.

19 N-K4

The immediate 20... R-K8 ch.

21 B-KB1 does not achieve anything and is premature.

20 Q-K3

Most unexpected, but not easy to refute - I thought we might reach a bishops of opposite colour ending at this stage

20 R-K3!

21 Q-N3

Another shock, white is now threatening 22 P-KB4 The black knight must be freed.

21 P-KB4!

This move took a long time to find, it facilitates R-N3 in some lines and threatens both P-B5 and N-KN5. White cannot play 22 BxP because of black's N-B6ch 23 PxN (anything else and he is mated) R-K8 ch!

22 P-KR4

Yet another unexpected move - most disturbing at breakfast time!

22 N-N5

Has white blundered?



Position after
22N-N5

23 Q-B3!

Back to the drawing board, incredibly I could not find a winning line based on the e1 and h2 theme. If 23... R-K8 ch 24 B-B1 N-R7 25 Q-B3! or 23...B-R7 ch 24 K-R1 R-K8 ch. 25 B-B1 RxR 26 BxR Q-K8 27 Q-K2! and white survives and has his own mating threats!

23 R-K8 ch

24 B-B1 B-B4!

Thank goodness, another plan emerges, which is decisive.

25 B-B3

After 25 QxP BxP ch. 26 K-R1 Q-B2

27 QxN R-K5! wins neatly.

25 Q-B2

26 P-N3

Forced. If 26 Q-R3 NxBP 27 QxP N-K5 dis. ch. etc.

26 BxP ch.

Resigns

If 27 K-N2 R-K6 wins. If 27 K-R1 RxR 28 BxR QxNP and black wins the ending easily. If 27 QxB RxR 28 BxR NxQ or, alternatively, 28 Q-B4 QxQ 29 PxQ RxB ch 30 KxR N-K6 ch. simplifies into an ending with black two pawns up with a secure position.

Notes by Alan Borwell.

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S.C.C.A. PREMIER P.62

1978/79

Von Hennig-Schara Gambit (D 09)

White : A. McLennan

Black : W.S. Roach

1 P-Q4 P-Q4

2 P-QB4 P-K3

3 N-QB3 P-QB4

4 BPxP BPxP!?

The Von Hennig-Schara Gambit. Is it sound?

5 QxP

The alternative is Q-R4 though in most cases it transposes into the game.

5 N-QB3

6 Q-Q1 PxP

7 QxP B-Q2!

Best. In Smyslov - Estrin, Leningrad

1951 Black played 7...B-K3 and after

8 QxQ RxQ 9 P-K3 N-N5 10 B-N5 + K-K2

11 K-B1 white stood better (1-0, 21)

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

A critical position has been reached.

White a pawn up threatens to break open the queen aide. Black begins his counter attack - too slow say the pundits. E.C.O. gives advantage to white. Judge for yourself



Position after
12P-KN4

13 P-QN4
 White accepts the challenge giving up a Pawn to open up lines against the black King and facilitate development. Of course there are alternatives such as 13 P-QR3, B-Q2 and N-Q4. I don't know which is best, but I would prefer to avoid the whole gambit if I were white!

13 NxP
 Allowing the bishop to retain the G1 -A7 diagonal and better I think than BxNP.

14 B-N2
 The c file is now clear for the rook.

14 KR-N1!
 This is my "improvement".

15 Q-N3 K-N1

16 N-Q4 R-N3

This rook manoeuvre is VITAL

17 P-QR3 N-B3

18 N(3)-N5 P-QR3

19 NxN ch BxN

20 N-B3

If 20 N-Q4, BxN 21 BxB RxB 22 PxR QxB

20 BxKP!!

If now 21 PxB then QxPch 22 R-B2 N-K5

or 22 K-R1 N-K5 threatens N-N6ch.

21 BxRP N-N5

(a powerful move –ED)

22 N-Q1 Q-Q3

23 P-N3 NxRP

Resigns

Notes by W.S. Roach

S.C.C.A. HANDICAP TOURNAMENT

1979/80

French Defence (E 00c)

White : J. Herrifield

Black : J.P. Jack

1 P-K4 P-K3

2 N-KB3 P-Q4

3 B-QN5+ B-Q2

4 BxB+ NxB

5 PxP PxP

6	0-0	N(N1)-B3
7	R-K1+	B-K2
8	P-Q3	0-0
9	N(N1)-Q2	R-K1
10	P-QB4	PxP
11	N(Q2)xP	B-N5
12	B-Q2	BxB
13	QxB	N-B4
14	RxR+	NxR
15	P-Q4	N-K5
16	Q-K3	N(K1)-B3
17	N(B4)-K5	N-Q3
18	R-K1	Q-K2
19	Q-QN3	R-K1
20	P-KR3	Q-K3
21	QxQ	RxQ
22	R-QB1	N(B3)-K4
23	P-QN4	P-KB3
24	N(K5)-KN4	R-K7
25	P-QR3	R-R7
26	R-QB3	N-N4
27	R-K3	K-B2



Position After
 27 K-B2

28	N(N4)-K5 +	PxN
29	RxP	NxRP
30	N-N5+	K-N3
31	P-KR4	N-Q3
32	P-KN4	Resigns

(A neat finish ED.)

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J.N. MacNEILL	R.G. HAGELIN			2			A.P. BORWELL	B. MAGNUSSON		
H.D. HOLMES	A. CARLSSON			3			H.D. HOLMES	J. TORFASON		
I.S. CAMPBELL	L. LIVBRANDT			4			C.R. BEECHAM	J.T. THOR		
M. MELDRUM	J. COLLETT	1	0	5			C.J. MORRISON	H. KRISTJANSSON		
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R.W.M.BAXTER	M. MALMBERG	1	0	11			A.G. KIRKLAND	G. THORDARSON		
Dr.V.A. NYE	O. NYLEN			12			D. JENKINS	H. OLAFSSON		
D. BRYSON	C. GRUVAEUS			13			W.G. BRADY	G. FINNLAUGSSON		
D. KILGOUR	N. STENQVIST			14	0	2	A. McFADYEN	J. JOHANNESON		
W.G. BRADY	G. GUSTAFSSON			15	2	0	G.M. ANDERSON	J. JOHANNSSON		
A. McFADYEN	A. WENGHOLM			16			W.S. ROACH	T. THORDARSON		
J.A. CLAYTON	G. CARLSSON			17			J. GRACIE	T. SAEMUNDSSON		
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J. GRACIE	H. WADEMARK			19			D. KILGOUR	S. THORVALDSSON		
G.W.G.LIVIE	S. BERNHARDSSON			20			R. LAWSON	E. KARLSSON		
R.M. INNES	H.A. CEDERSSUND			21			A.H. KERR	B.T. KARLSSON		
I.A. MARKS	E. BENGTTSSON			22			R.M. INNES	B. BJORNSSON		
R. INGLIS	L. ESZIK			23			I. MACKINTOSH	T. SIGURDSSON		
J. SEYFRIED	K. ANDERSSON			24			B.J. MARTIN	S.O. HANNESSON		
G. CHANDLER	S. NILSSON			25			J. SEYFRIED	A. KARLSSON		
N	N	2	0	2	2		N	N		

SCOTLAND		FINLAND 'A'					SCOTLAND *B*		FINLAND	
		SA	FA	Bd	SB	FB				
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R. INGLIS	E. JOKINEN			21			K. WARREN	J. MANTYNIEMI		
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The following players have been selected to play against Canada with a probable starting date 1st June 1980.

1 TOMMY CRAIG	2 DOUGLAS BRYSON	3 DAVID KILGOUR	4 DAVID JENKINS
5 PHILIP GIULIAN	6 RICHARD BEECHAM	7 GEORGE PYRICH	8 KEN BEER
9 CHRIS BOYLE	10 TOMMY MILLIGAN	11 BILL BRADY	12 IAIN MACKINTOSH
13 GORDON ANDERSON	14 IAN MARKS	15 PROF.GRAHAM BIRD	16 GORDON SCHOLES
17 WALTER ROACH	18 ALLAN PETRIE	19 BOB DICKSON	20 MICHAEL YIANNI

Our chess friends in the Netherlands have requested a match over 50 to 70 players per team starting 1st October 1980.

Contact has been made with the United States and we hope to have a match underway later this year.

Any player who has not yet requested an International place should write direct to our International

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Chess Match

Scotland V Sweden 1979-81

Board 5 French Defence (E05/a.)

White: Martin Meldrum

Black: John Collett.

1 P-K4 P-K3 2 P-Q4 P-Q4

3 N-QB3 N-KB3 4 B-N5 B-N5

5 P-K5 P-KR3 6 B-Q2 BxN

7 PxB N-K5 8 Q-N4 P-KN3

9 B-Q3 N x B 10 K x N P-QB4

11 P-KR4 N-QB3 12 R-R3 Q-R4

13 BxNP NxQP

Black's move is supposed to refute the Bishop sacrifice according to T.Harding's book on the McCutcheon

14 N-K2 A new move.

14 R-KN1

15 BxPch KxB 16 Q-R5ch K-K2

17 QxP

White's strong passed RP and Black's exposed King are good compensation for the piece.

17R-B1

If 17 ...RxNP 18 QR-N1 and black will have no pieces to defend the king side.

18 N-B4 R-B2 19 R-N3 ! B-Q2

if 19 ...N-B4 20 Q-N5ch K-Q2

21 Q-N6

20 NxQPch K-Q1 21 R-N8ch B-K1

22 N-B6 K-B2 23 RxB RxN

On 23 ...R-Q2 I was considering the Queen Sacrifice 24 RxR N-B4 25 NxR

24 R-K7ch K-B3 25 QxR R-Q1

26 R-QN1!QxRP

The double and discovered checks are all useless, and if 26 ...P-QN3

27 RxRP

27 PxN RxPch 28 K-K3 Q-R6ch

29 R-N3 RESIGNS

The conditional continuation offered was if 29 ... Q-B8ch 30 K-B3 Q-Qlch

31 K-N3 R-N4ch 32 K-R2

Notes by M. Meldrum.

MY MOST ENJOYABLE POSTAL GAME

Editorial note

Our second leading player to contribute to this feature is John MacNeill, who has the highest grade in the most recent SCCA list with a provisional grading of 230.

John's victim here is our Secretary !!

Scottish Correspondence Championship 1973/4

Sicilian Defence - Najdorf (E 99b)

White : J.N.MacNeill

Black : Dr. V.A.Nye

1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 N-KB3 P-Q3 3 P-Q4 PxP

4 NxP N-KB3 5 N-QB3 P-QR3 6 B-KN5

P-K3 7 P-B4 B-K2 8 Q-B3 Q-B2 9 0-0-0

QN-Q2 10 P-KN4 P-N4 11 BxN NxB 12

P-N5 N-Q2 13 P-B5 N-B4

Gligoric later showed in this position that black can accept the g5 pawn and draw, but a win is not possible.

14 P-B6 PxP 15 PxP B-B1 16 Q-R5 P-N5

White is now committed to sacrifice

17 N-Q5 PxN 18 PxP B-Q2 19 R-K1ch K-Q1

This position has been reached in several games with results favouring black. White now tries an improvement from Chess Informator. The idea is to avoid ..B-R3ch

by black at some stage, to free his game.

20 K-N1 K-B1 21 QxBP B-R5 22 B-R3ch

K-N2 23 Q-R5 N-Q2

Black seems to have wriggled out; for b3 now is too weakening. Each player now took about a fortnight over their 24th moves.

24 N-K6 QxBPch 25 K-R1 R-B1

Who is winning ?

26 Q-KN4 Q-N3 27 Q-KN4 QxKBP

At this point, Black lost on time. The final position ..?. well alter 28 QxNPch Black has three plausible replies

A difficult game containing a number of interesting features... (Any readers views on the final position ? -- ED

How our international opponents play ! (by Alan Borwell)

I am greatly indebted to John Hawkes. who lives in Perth, for the material contained in this article. John is currently playing on top board for the British team in the European Team Championships and he has promised to compile similar information on our other opponents for subsequent editions.

I - The FINNS

The following is an impressive game played by Pertti Koskinen in 1978.

He is playing on board 15 against George Pyrich in our match against Finland 'A' - beware of surprises !

Kings's Indian Defence (D 99c)

White : Pertti Koskinen

Black : Jouko Rantamaki

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 Bg7 4 e4 d6
5 Nf3 0-0 6 Be2 e5 7 0-0 Nc6 8 d5 Ne7
9 Ne1 Nd7 Black can achieve more subtle variety with 9Ne8

10 Nd3 f5 11 Bd2 c5 12 Rb1 Nf6

13 f3 f4 14 b4!? b6 15 a4 Ba6!?

16 bxc5 bxc5 17 Nb5! h6 18 Bc3!

Black rather misses the point of this.

18 g5? 19 Nxd6!! Nfxd5!

On 19Qxd6 20 Bxe5! is very good indeed.

20 exd5 Qxd6 21 Nf2 Nf5 22 Ne4 Qe7?!

23 Bd2 Rab8 24 Bd3 Rb7 25 Nc3

Black has survived the crisis and has good play, but is slightly impatient ...

25 ... e4?! 26 Nxe4 Bd4ch 27 Kh1 Rfb8!

28 Qe2 Ne3 29 Bxe3 fxe3 30 Rxb7 Rxb7

31 f4!!

A monster pawn thrust.

31 ... Bxc4 32 Bxc4 Qxe4 33 d6ch Kg7

34 Bb5! Rb6 35 d7 Rd6 36 ffg5 hfg5

37 Bd3 Qe7 38 Qh5 Resigns

On 38 ... Rh6 39 Rf7ch

An entertaining and competitive game with both players deserving credit for their enterprise when faced with apparent adversity.

This game was played in 1976 in a Finnish tournament. The winner is on Board 3 of the Finland 'B' team where his opponent is G.Hamilton of Larbert.

Nimzowitch Defence (R 80b)

White : Seppo Autere

Black : Antti Nosko-Koivisto

1 e4 Nc6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 dxe4

4 d5 Nb8 5 Bc4 Nf6 6 Bf4 a6

7 Qe2 b5 8 Bb3 c5 9 dxc6 Nxc6

10 Rd1 Qa5 11 Bd2 Qc7 12 Nxe4 Nxe4

13 Qxe4 Bb7 14 Nf3 e6 15 0-0 Ne7

16 Qg4

An aggressive looking move which leads to a surprisingly rapid loss !

16 ... h5 17 Qg3 Qxg3 18 ffg3 a5

19 a3 a4 20 Ba2 Nf5 21 Ng5 Bc5ch

22 Kh1 h4 23 Nxf7 h3 and white resigns.

In a recently published grading list of the top 60 Finnish players, the following appear

2270 Matti Piuva	12th
2210 C-E Johansson	22
2210 Reino Kotka	23
2190 Göran Lägland IM	28
2180 Kalevi Kaunonen	31
2175 Aarre Ruuttula	33
2150 Sakari Rätty	40
2125 Ragnar Wikman	47
2120 V.M.Nuuskenen	45

The Finns have a well established postal chess magazine, which is issued every second month, called KIRJESHAKKI.

The next game was played on top board in an ICCF Olympiad by Matti Piuva who is Douglas McKerracher's opponent in our match against Finland 'A'.

Sicilian Defence (E 70a)

White : A.Pastorino (Uruguay)

Black : M.Piuva

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6
5 Nc3 e5 The Pelican Variation.

6 Nbd5 d6 7 Bg5 a6 8 Na3 b5 9 Nd5

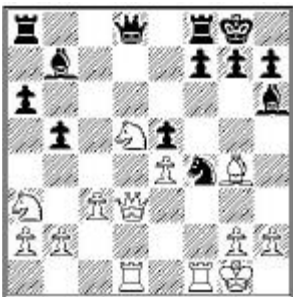
This move is often prefaced by 9 Bf6 gf6. Black can then play an early f5 and use his two bishops to some effect.

9 Be7 10 Bxf6 Bxf6 11 Qd3?

The normal move here is 11 c3 which in some lines allows white to play his knight on a3 to e3, via c2. The queen is not well placed on d3 and has to move to c2 later.

11 0-0 12 Be2 Nd4 13 0-0 Bb7

14 Bg4 Bg5 15 f4 Bh6 16 c3 Ne6 17 fxe5
17...dxe5 18.Rad1 Nf4



Position after
18 Nf4

19 Qc2 Qh4 20 Bf3 Nxd5 21 exd5 Be3ch

22 Kh1 Bf4 23 h3 Qg3 24 Kg1 f5

25 Bh5 Qh2ch 26 Kf2 g6 22 Be2 e4

28 Bxb5 axb5 22 Rd4 Bg3ch 23 Ke3 f4ch
and White resigned.

Even top boards can be beaten ! Here the victor is Veli-Matti Huuskonen against Matti Piuva. The winner is playing Prof. G.H.Bird on board 14 of our match.

Gruenfeld Indian Defence (D 66c)

White : V-M. Huuskonen

Black : M.Piuva

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 d5 4 Nf3 Bg7

5 Bf4 0-0 6 Rcl c6 7 e3 Bg4 8 h3

If 8 Qb3 Bxf3 9 Qb7 Bg4 10 Qxa8 Qb6
and if 11 cxd5 then Bd7 wins the queen.

8 Bxf3 9 Qxf3 Qa5 10 Bd3 Nbd7

11 0-0 dxc4 12 Bxc4 e5 13 Bh2 exd4

14 exd4 Nb6 15 Bb3 Rad8 16 Rfe1!

A game between Barcza - Liptay continued with 16 Be5 Nbd7 17 Bd6 Rfe8 18 Rfd1 Qf5

16 Rfe8 17 Re3! Nfd5? 18 Be5!

White is now able to exchange the black squared bishops and this seriously weakens his opponent's kings position. The black queen is also out of play.

The black queen is also out of play.

18 Qb4 19 Bxg7 Kxg7 20 Nxd5 cxd5?

21 Rc7

The entry of the rooks to the seventh rank will be decisive.

21 ... Rf8 22 Ree7 Qxd4 23 Rxf7ch Kg8

24 Rxb7 Nc4



Position after
24 Nc4

25 Qf4! Qxb2 26 Qc7 and black resigns.

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