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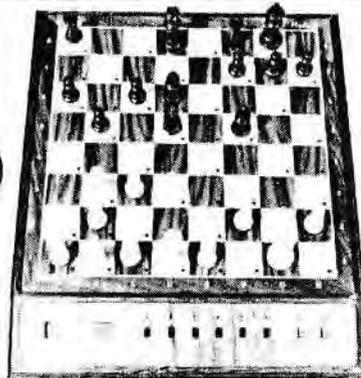
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EDITORIAL

(by Alan Borwell)

May 1990

Firstly, an apology for the delay with this edition, due entirely to business and domestic demands on our time.

It was with great sadness that we learned of the sudden death on 17th March of Jopie Mostert, beloved wife of ICCF President Henk Mostert, and we extend our deepest sympathy to him. Jopie was an effervescent and talented lady and she will be sadly missed by all of her friends worldwide who have enjoyed her company and friendship at ICCF gatherings.

Scotland's CC players have excelled themselves in recent months with Ken McAlpine achieving his IM title and both Andrew Muir and Mary Inglis scoring ½ norms towards their IM titles - congratulations to all three of them!

Our International Invitation Tournaments to celebrate the 10th anniversary of this magazine will have commenced before our next issue is published, as will the 3rd North Atlantic Team Tournament-details next time.

Don't forget the AGM on 10th June - please do your best to attend!

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SECRETARIAL NOTES (by Alan Hind)

It's mid season now and time to consider our AGM and where the Association is going from here. It is an urgent requirement that more people are prepared to help out the Association even in some small way. Some of the current issues being considered by the Executive are:

- the lack of Controllers, which is putting extra burden on existing office-bearers who are in charge of more than one event.
- the Constitution of the SCCA, and in particular the definition of Scottish nationality as it relates to our Association.
- how best to reach new areas of potential members and with what type of "advertising" campaign.
- how best to achieve full ICCF recognition for Scotland and the SCCA.

These are just a few of the issues under current consideration and if you want to make representations on these, or any other issue, then please come along to our AGM, official notification of which is set out below. If you cannot attend but feel you could support the SCCA by becoming a Controller (an excellent experience - if you have ever had any grievance against a Controller, see if you can do a better job!) then we want to hear from you now!

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Association's Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday 10th June 1990 at 2.30pm at Chess Suppliers (Scotland) Ltd., 15 Hope Street, Glasgow (Near Central Station).

Agenda

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|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. President's Remarks | 5. Election of Office-Bearers |
| 2. Minutes of Previous AGM | 6. Election of Auditor |
| 3. Secretary's Report | 7. Subscriptions |
| 4. Treasurer's Report | 8. Any other business |

If anyone wishes to raise any item of business, notification should be in the hands of the Secretary at least 2 weeks before the meeting.

CHAMPIONSHIP 88-90 Controller: A Maxwell

No.		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Pts
1	C R BEECHAM	•				0		1	1/2	0		
2	G H BIRD		•	0	0	0	1/2	1	0	1/2		
3	M T DYER		1	•	1/2	0		1	0	1/2	1/2	
4	R KILPATRICK		1	1/2	•	1	1	1	1/2	0	1/2	
5	G D PYRICH	1	1	1	0	•	1/2	1	1/2	1/2	1/2	
6	I REEMAN		1/2		0	1/2	•	1	1/2	1/2	1/2	
7	M ROSS	0	0	0	0	0	0	•	0	0	0	0 w/b
8	G R SPROTT	1/2	1	1	1/2	1/2	1/2	1	•	1/2		
9	JAB STEVENSON	1	1/2	1/2	1	1/2	1/2	1	1/2	•	1/2	
10	G B WALLWORK			1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1		1/2	•	

CANDIDATES 88-90 Controller: C R Beechan

No.		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Pts
1	C BOYLE	•	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1/2	1	7 1/2
2	R DICKSON	0	•		0	0	1/2	0	0	0			
3	K FRYER	0		•	1				0				
4	S GOWLAND	1	1		•	1	1	1/2	1/2	0		1	
5	D HARVEY	0	1	0	0	•	1/2	1	1	0	1/2	1	5
6	J M HERRIBS	0	1/2		0	1/2	•	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	0	
7	I A MARKS	0	1		1/2	0	1/2	•	0	0	1	1	
8	M McBBTH	0	1		1/2	0	1/2	1	•	1/2	1	1	
9	P McGOWAN	1	1	1	1	1	1/2	1	1/2	•	1	1	9
10	J W McINTYRE	1/2				1/2	1/2	0	0	0	•		
11	A TANKEL	0			0	0	1	0	0	0		•	

Entries to Scottish CCA Quartets and Handicap events can be made at any time, with games starting as soon as opponents can be arranged. All other individual tournaments and the SCCA League begin towards the end of each year, with entries to reach our Secretary, Alan Hind, by mid-October.

CHAMPIONSHIP 89-91 Controller; A Maxwell

No.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Pts
1 A KILPATRICK	●									
2 G D PYRICH		●								
3 J A B STEVENSON			●							
4 M J MOOHAN				●						
5 D HARVEY					●					
6 I S CAMPBELL						●				
7 C F BOYLE							●			
8 T J CRAIG								●		
9 A T HISLOP									●	

CANDIDATES 89-91 Controller; A Hind

No.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Pts
1 N DOWN	●									
2 S GOWLAND		●								
3 S L CLARK			●							
4 M McBETH				●						
5 M COOPER					●					
6 D A GIBB						●				
7 I A MARKS							●			
8 I AIRD								●		
9 T THOMSON									●	

PREMIER TOURNAMENTS

Controller; Sections A-C ; I S Campbell; Sections D/E ; R S Montgomery

A

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Pts
1 RA GIULIAN	●						
2 N MITCHELL		●					
3 RJ BURRIDGE			●				
4 B GOODWIN				●			
5 JM HERRIES					●		
6 WM COOK						●	

B

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Pts
1 NR McEWAN	●						
2 JS CAIRNEY		●					
3 SR MITCHELL			●				
4 AWI CAMPBELL				●			
5 G REID					●		
6 KD ANDERSON						●	

C

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Pts
1 A WRIGHT	●						
2 T THOMSON		●					
3 RS MONTGOMERY			●				
4 K SEYFRIED				●			
5 W HULME					●		
6 JRG LINKLATER						●	

D

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Pts
1 J CASSIDY	●						
2 RF TURNER		●					
3 AD KILGARIFF			●				
4 P FERRY				●			
5 CC McKAY					●		
6 R BIRRELL						●	

E

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Pts
1 A MAXWELL	●						
2 VS ROACH		●					
3 J MERRIFIELD			●				
4 MF PEARCE				●			
5 A NISBET					●		
6 A SWANN						●	

MAJOR TOURNAMENTS

Controller; Sections A/B ; C A Macgregor

Sections C/D ; G W G Livie

A

	1	2	3	4	5	Pts
1 H McKEAN	●					
2 DR CUMMING		●				
3 DV GIBBS	00	00	●	00	00	○
4 P McCONNELL				●		
5 W HARPER					●	

B

	1	2	3	4	5	Pts
1 D COSGROVE	●					
2 A ARMSTRONG		●				
3 RG EBDON			●			
4 KJ GROSE				●		
5 PJ MOIR					●	

C

	1	2	3	4	5	Pts
1 F ANDRES	●					
2 B MILLIGAN		●				
3 J TAYLOR			●			
4 SG MACKENZIE				●		
5 TN TALBOT					●	

D

	1	2	3	4	5	Pts
1 F HALL	●					
2 CA MACGREGOR		●				
3 MH DUNN			●			
4 ME CROASDALE				●		
5 DW PENMAN					●	

QUARTETS 1989-90

(Controller - Ian W S Mitchell)

POSTAL KNIGHT					POSTAL SHIELD				
1	2	3	4	Pts	1	2	3	4	Pts
1 R STOKES	●				1 N A DOWN	●			
2 A G E BIRD		●			2 J ANDERSON		●		
3 D SALTER			●		3 A WRIGHT			●	
4 R J BURRIDGE				●	4 T McMORRAN				●

Q141					Q142				
1	2	3	4	Pts	1	2	3	4	Pts
1 R BEACON	●	oo		1	1 H McKEAN	●			o
2 M H DUNN	11	●			2 D G PARSONS		●	oo	oo
3 C C McKAY			●	11	3 J PARKER		11	●	1
4 D SALTER	o		oo	●	4 D SALTER	1	11	o	●

Q143					Q144				
1	2	3	4	Pts	1	2	3	4	Pts
1 R BEACON	●			1	1 W CAMERON	●			
2 T G JOHNSTON		●			2 K GORDON		●		
3 M F PEARCE			●		3 T MASON			●	
4 T N TALBOT	o			●	4 J R PARKER				●

Q145					Q146				
1	2	3	4	Pts	1	2	3	4	Pts
1 M MITCHELL	●				1 A MacKAY	●			-
2 J S CAIRNEY		●			2 E A BAILEY		●		-
3 S R CAPSEY			●		3 D R CUMMING			●	-
4 D G McROBERTS				●	4 D McGARVA	-	-	-	● w/d

Q147					Q148				
1	2	3	4	Pts	1	2	3	4	Pts
1 H McKEAN	●				1 D R R ELLIS	●			
2 P J JACKSON		●			2 M D HOOD		●		
3 J G BLENCOWE			●		3 C DONKIN			●	
4 K J GROSE				●	4 A ARMSTRONG				●

Q149					Q150				
1	2	3	4	Pts	1	2	3	4	Pts
1 R O'BRIEN	●			-	1 R J BURRIDGE	●			
2 A WRIGHT		●		-	2 I A MARKS		●		
3 S M YOUNG			●	-	3 R DOWSON			●	
4 D McGARVA	-	-	-	● w/d	4 S WHITELOCK				●

HANDICAP TOURNAMENT (by Allan Hislop)

The Handicap got off to a late start in December with 30 players taking part in nearly 100 games starting the new season. I have had requests to show the lay out of the Handicap and this seems sensible since details of all other competitions are published in the Magazine. The table below shows the players in their classes and who they are playing, together with the number of games they requested. The Handicap No. is used by the Controller for pairings and records purposes only in the Handicap itself. A "+" sign at games required means a player has applied for more games since the start of the season and is awaiting further pairings (which hopefully will have been made by magazine date).

Name	H/cap No	Games Reqd	Pairings/Opponents	H/cap No
Class 1				
G Wallwork	153	1	112	
G A Morton	112	1	153	
Class 2				
D Harvey	187	3	41, 208, 188	
J P Jack	41	5	187, 208, 188, 104, 113	
D Salter	208	3	187, 41, 197	
R Beacon	188	3 +3	187, 41, 197	
P McGowan	157	3	112, 208, 188	
P J Jackson	104	2	41, 113	
S Martin	201	0 (later)		
Class 3				
T Morrison	113	5	41, 104, 128, 176, 193	
K Anderson	128	3	113, 176, 175	
Class 4				
A Armstrong	176	5	128, 193, 113, 175, 183	
S Young	175	2	176, 128	
W McGlinchey	123	2 +1	197, 188	
Class 5				
J Cassidy	193	3	176, 113, 183	
M Dunn	183	3	207, 193, 176	
R Ebdon	207	3 +3	169, 197, 183	
M Mitchell	169	2	207, 197	
D Cumming	197	4 +2	169, 207, 134, 165	
V A Proudler	134	3	202, 165, 197	

Class 6

F Ross	165	4	134, 202, 200, 197
J Taylor	202	6	191, 190, 192, 200, 165, 134
R Kilpatrick	200	3	165, 202, 192
M Pearce	192	3	202, 200, 191
R Pells	190	5	202, 206, 205, 204, 203
H McKean	191	3	192, 206, 202
B Milligan	206	5	203, 190, 191, 205, 204
T A H Taylor	205	2	190, 206
R Dowson	204	1	206, 190
P Reynolds	203	2	206, 190

OPENINGS TOURNAMENTS (by Alan Hind)

Section OT1 (Tchigorin's Defence)						
No	1	2	3	Pts	Pos	
1 J G Blencowe	●	10	00	1	2-	
2 G Reid	01	●	00	1	2-	
3 G Wood	11	11	●	4	1	

Section OT2 (Nimzowitsch Defence)							
No	1	2	3	4	5	Pts	Pos
1 N A Down	●	11	11	11	11	8	1
2 D V Gibbs	00	●	10	00	11	3	3-
3 B V Grant	00	01	●	00	11	3	3-
4 G A Norton	00	11	11	●	11	6	2
5 G E Vallwork	00	00	00	00	●	0	N/D

Section OT1 (Sicilian 2 c3)						
No	1	2	3	4	Pts	Pos
1 D V Gibbs	●	00	00			
2 S M Young	11	●				
3 M A Ellis			●			
4 T N Talbot	11			●		

Section OT2 (Sicilian 2 c3)						
No	1	2	3	Pts	Pos	
1 J Cassidy	●					
2 N R McEwan		●				
3 P McConnell			●			

Section OT3 (Pirc - Modern)							
No	1	2	3	4	5	Pts	Pos
1 J Cassidy	●						
2 M A Ellis		●					
3 G Reid			●				
4 M T Dyer				●			
5 J G Blencowe					●		



Please send games (preferably annotated) to Games Editor:

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SCOTTISH CCA LEAGUE
(Controller : Alan Hind)

The final result of last season's Championship was a triple tie between The Establishment, Streatham & Brixton and Black Knight, each with 7/10 pts. Chess Suppliers "A" and Brutal Realism were relegated, being replaced in Division 1 by Perth Correspondents and Kirkcaldy Kings. Knights of the Square Table and Wandering Dragons "A" were promoted to Division 2 and Glasgow Polytechnic and Endgame were winners of Divisions 4A and 4B respectively.

Adjudications for 1988/9 were:

Division 1	
RA Inglis 0	TJ Craig 1
Division 3	
A Swann 0	B Eley 1
G Reid ½	R Stokes ½
A Nisbet ½	N Down ½

FINAL TABLES 1988/9

DIVISION 1

1= BLACK KNIGHT	7
1= STREATHAM & BRIXTON	7
1= THE ESTABLISHMENT	7
4 CROWWOOD "A"	4½
5 CHESS SUPPLIERS "A"	3½
6 BRUTAL REALISM	1

FINAL TABLES 1988/9

DIVISION 2

1 PERTH CORRESPONDENTS	8½
2 KIRKCALDY KINGS	7½
3 IRVINE	7
4 REAL TELECOM	4
5 CATHCART	2
6 DALMUIR	1

DIVISION 3

1 KNIGHTS OF THE SQUARE TABLE	9
2 WANDERING DRAGONS "A"	6½
3 CROWWOOD "B"	6
4 KIRKINTILLOCH	5½
5 PAISLEY YMCA "A"	2½
6 GOVAN KNIGHTS	½

DIVISION 4A

1 GLASGOW POLYTECHNIC	10
2 ABERDEEN	8
3 CHESS SUPPLIERS "B"	4
4= WANDERING DRAGONS "C"	2
4= PAISLEY YMCA "B"	2
6 CHESS SUPPLIERS "D"	0

DIVISION 4B

1 ENDGAME	8½
2 VICTORIA	8
3 WANDERING DRAGONS "B"	6
4 WANDERING DRAGONS "D"	4
5 CROMDALE	2½
6 SAUGHTON	1

SCOTTISH CCA LEAGUE 1989/90

DIVISION 1

A CROWWOOD "A"

1	B Martin	v E1
2	D Quinn	v D2
3	P Rodger	v C3
4	W Hulme	v B4
5	A Maxwell	v F5

B STREATHAM & BRIXTON

1	C A McNab	v D1
2	S R Gillam	v C2
3	R A Inglis	v F3
4	Mrs M Inglis	v A4
5	R Haldane	v E5

C BLACK KNIGHT

1	G R Sprott	v F1
2	I S Campbell	v B2
3	I Reeman	v A3
4	T Johnston	v E4
5	G Wood	v D5

D THE ESTABLISHMENT

1	T S Wickens	v B1
2	C R Beecham	v A2
3	T J Craig	v E3
4	K Fryer	v F4
5	A Hind	v C5

E KIRKCALDY KINGS

1	G D Pyrich	v A1
2	A Burnett	v F2
3	I Marshall	v D3
4	T Thomson	v C4
5	M C Grayson	v B5

F PERTH CORRESPONDENTS

1	A P Borwell	v C1
2	D A Gibb	v E2
3	W Rutherford	v B3
4	J Falconer	v D4
5	P B Grant	v A5

DIVISION 2

A IRVINE

1	D Gillespie	v E1
2	G McPeake	v D2
3	T Barrett	v C3
4	J Shankland	v B4
5	G King	v F5

B CATHCART

1	A Grant	v D1
2	A T Hislop	v C2
3	S Freed	v F3
4	J R G Linklater	v A4
5	D McRoberts	v E5

C WANDERING DRAGONS "A"

1	S Gowland	v F1
2	D Crichton	v B2
3	C McKay	v A3
4	J Konarski	v E4
5	H Nimmo	v D5

D KNIGHTS OF THE SQUARE TABLE

1	B Eley	v B1
2	R W M Baxter	v A2
3	T Upton	v E3
4	P Cassar	v F4
5	N Down	v C5

E BRUTAL REALISM

1	M Ross	v A1
2	P Coffield	v F2
3	J S Murray	v D3
4	B Keenan	v C4
5	A Thomson	v B5

F CHESS SUPPLIERS "A"

1	A J Shaw	v C1
2	G W G Livie	v E2
3	C F Boyle	v B3
4	D M Livie	v D4
5	L R McKenzie	v A5

DIVISION 3

A KIRKINTILLOCH

1	A Swann	v E1
2	R Turner	v D2
3	P McConnell	v C3
4	W Harper	v B4
5	D Blackett	v F5

B CROWWOOD "B"

1	D L Gillespie	v D1
2	W J Hutchison	v C2
3	R Henery	v F3
4	C M Hutchison	v A4
5	R P Dunn	v E5

C GLASGOW POLYTECHNIC

1	D Finnie	v F1
2	A Tankel	v B2
3	J Lindsay	v A3
4	J Watson	v E4
5	J Arnold	v D5

D ENDGAME

1	M Moohan	v B1
2	P Ferry	v A2
3	A Kilgariff	v E3
4	M McGhee	v F4
5	M Mitchell	v C5

E WANDERING DRAGONS "B"

1	D Laing	v A1
2	P McCarron	v F2
3	C Donkin	v D3
4	P Young	v C4
5	C Dowle	v B5

F VICTORIA

1	R E Clapham	v C1
2	F Stevenson	v E2
3	J Anderson	v B3
4	M Chalmers	v D4
5	N Ferrie	v A5

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1	G Sanderson	v E1
2	D Poots	v D2
3	Ms A Donkin	v C3
4	C Stewart	v B4
5	D Morgan	v F5

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1	D Buchan	v D1
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CLASSIC GAMES OF CORRESPONDENCE CHESS

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The winner is far less well-known than his opponent Gedeon BARCZA of Hungary.

F. BATIK of Czechoslovakia narrowly failed to qualify for the first ever CC World Championship Final when he lost to the eventual runner-up to Purdy, Dr. Napolitano. In the next Candidates he made it, but only just, and not without controversy. He, Balogh and Koch all tied on 5 points and a cooked section was suspected. All three were allowed to play in the II Final where Batik had a poor result but did get revenge on the Italian, and also won against the mighty Ragošin!

I World Champ, Prelims 1947-48

White: F. Batik
Black: G. Barcza

Scillian: Scheveningen B85

1 e4 c5
2 Nf3 Nc6
3 d4 cxd4
4 Nxd4 Nf6
5 Nc3 d6
6 Be2 e6
7 0-0 Be7
8 Be3

In the World Championship match of 1926-27 Alekhine put his QB in fianchetto against Euwe.

8 a6
9 f4 Qc7
10 Qe1 Bd7
11 Rd1 0-0

12 Qg3 Kh8

Nowadays it goes 12 ... b5
13 e5 dxe5 14 fxe5 Ne8 more often.

13 Kh1 b5
14 a3

Or 14 e5 dxe5 15 fxe5 Qxe5
16 Bf4 Qc5 17 Nb3 Qa7
18 Be3 Qb8 19 Rxf6! Qxg3
20 fxg3 Bxf6 21 Rxd7
(Lepeshkin)

14 Na5
15 e5! Ne8
16 f5 dxe5
17 fxe6 exd4
18 Bf4 Bd6
19 Nd5 Bxf4
20 Nxc7 Bxg3

21 Nxa8 Bc6



22 e7!!

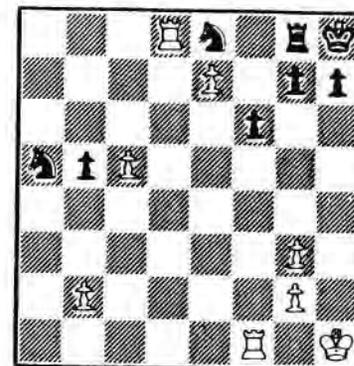
A super zwischenzug slicing Black in two.

22 Rg8
23 hxg3 Bxa8
24 Rxd4

If 24 Rxf7 Bd5 and Black could organise himself. The play calms down from here a little, but Black has no cohesive play.

24 f6
25 a4 Bc6
26 axb5 Bxb5
27 c4 Ba4
28 c5 Bb5
29 Bxb5 axb5
30 Rd8

A beautiful study-like position is set up.



30 Nc6
31 Ra1!

and Black resigned!

The very attractive variations are: On 31 ... Nc7 32 Rxg8+ Kxg8 35 Ra8+ Kf7 34 Rc8, or 31 ... Nxe7 32 Re1 Nc7 33 Rxe7 Rxd8 34 Rxc7.

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SCOTTISH CENTENARY CUP FINAL

After 5 years of competition and a great tussle in the Final, Ernie Wood from Manchester and Mark Thomas of Nottingham are joint winners of the Centenary Cup with 4½/6 points. In fact, both will be presented with a trophy and they will receive prizemoney of approx £90 each. There are still a few games to be finished, but the maximum score of the remaining competitors is 4 pts.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Pts	Pos
1 J Copley (Shropshire)	•	½	1	1	0	½	½	3½	
2 E Wood (Manchester)	½	•	½	1	½	1	1	4½	1=
3 D Quinn (Greenock)	0	½	•		0	1	1		
4 A G B Bird (London)	0	0	•	0	1	1			
5 M Thomas (Nottingham)	1	½	1	1	•	½	½	4½	1=
6 V W Griffiths (Northampton)	½	0	½	0	½	•	½	2	
7 D Neil (Carlisle)	½	0	0	0	½	½	•		

(by Douglas Livie)

SCOTTISH OPEN TOURNAMENT SEMI-FINALS

Section A	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1 GE WALLWORK	•	1	1	1			
2 B MARTIN	0	•	1	1			
3 WR SHAW	0	•	•	1	0		
4 JG D'DONNELL	0	0	0	•	0	0	0
5 N DOWN				1	•		
6 L STEPHENSON		0	1	1	•		
7 N CHARALANBOUS				1		•	

Section B	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1 N DOWN	•						½	-
2 WD TAYLOR		•						-
3 N KILGARIFF			•	1				-
4 DA FENNELLY				•				-
5 GR NIXON			0	•				-
6 KJ KEADY					•			-
7 GA LITTLE	½					•		-
8 M ROSS	-	-	-	-	-	-	•	w/o

Section C	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1 A KILGARIFF	•	1		-			0	
2 EE WRIGHT	0	•	0	-	0	0	0	
3 CP BOTHAM		1	•	-			½	
4 JD ACKERS	-	-	-	•	-	-	-	
5 V DILWORTH		1		-	•	1	1	
6 RG WALKER		1		-	0	•		
7 GE WALLWORK	1	1		-	0	•	1	
8 P CASSAR		1	½	-			0	

Section D	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1 J TIMPERLEY	•	½		1	1	1	1	1
2 RWM BAXTER	½	•		1	1		1	
3 D NEIL			•	1	1	1	1	
4 GE WALLWORK	0	0	0	•	0	0	0	0
5 P WILDIG	0	0	0	0	•	0	0	0
6 GD PYRICH	0		0	1	1	•	1	
7 D HARVEY	0			1	1	•	1	
8 C TRINDER	0	0	0	0	0	0	•	w/o

2nd SCOTTISH OPEN TOURNAMENT (Controller - Douglas Livie)

Section 1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Pts	Section 2	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Pts
1 CJ LENNDX	•	-				1			1 CF BOYLE	•	-				1		
2 PB McADAM	-	•	-	-	-	-	-	w/o	2 DV GIBBS	-	•	-	-	-	-	-	w/o
3 C McKAY			•						3 AWI CAMPBELL	-	•		0	½			
4 CF BOYLE				•					4 MA SWYSTUN	-		•					
5 GD PYRICH					•				5 A MUKHERJEE	-	1		•	1			
6 A MacQUEEN	0	-				•			6 B MARTIN	0	-	½	0	•	•		
7 F MACGILCHRIST	-						•		7 D SALTER	-						•	

Section 3	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Pts	Section 4	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Pts
1 RJ BURRIDGE	•	½							1 DR CUMMING	•					0	0	
2 P McCONNELL	½	•	1						2 S MACGILCHRIST		•				0		
3 DR CUMMING		0	•				0		3 CR BEECHAM			•				0	
4 J COPLEY				•					4 AD KILGARIFF				•			½	
5 MT DYER					•				5 S DRUNSFIELD					•			
6 R PELS						•			6 J McLEAN	1	1				•	0	
7 AGE BIRD			1				•		7 A HIND	1	1	½		1	•		

Section 5	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Pts	Section 6	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Pts
1 SW BERKLEY	•		-				0		1 M DUNN	•								
2 SR MITCHELL		•	-						2 EA BAILEY		•							
3 AJ ALLEN	-	-	•	-	-	-	-	w/o	3 DM LIVIE			•						
4 GE WALLWORK				•					4 BW GRANT				•					
5 GR SPROTT					•				5 IH MARSHALL					•				
6 S CROWDY						•			6 DR THOMSON						•			
7 J McLEAN	1	-					•		7 A MacMILLEN							•		
									8 R STOKES								•	

Section 7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Pts	Section 8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Pts
1 N DOWN	•									1 RJ BURRIDGE	•					0	1		
2 M THOMAS		•				0				2 GE WALLWORK		•			1				
3 RA GIULIAN			•							3 M MITCHELL			•						
4 G REID				•			0			4 DJ FINNIE				•					
5 T THOMSON					•					5 A CONDY					•				
6 S GOWLAND						•				6 I MACKINTOSH	1					•			
7 W HARPER				1						7 D HARVEY							•		
8 A MacQUEEN								•		8 A ARMSTRONG	0							•	

Section 9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Pts
1 DV GIBBS	●	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	W10
2 M McBETH	-	●							
3 J WATSON	-		●			0 1/2			
4 M PEARCE	-			●					
5 G LYBURN	-				●				
6 A MacMILLEN	-	1				●			
7 K GORDON	-		1/2				●		
8 S GOWLAND	-							●	

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BITS 'n' Pieces



by Ian Marks

*Winning isn't everything, It's the only thing,
 Vince Lombardi, Green Bay Packers' coach, 1968*

Well, Vince, I guess I'd agree with you, but you can't win 'em all. And if you can't win, the next best thing would have to be a draw. And if it's going to be a draw, it might as well be a DECENT one ...

White: Ian Marks
 Black: Jochen Glosse (BRD)

EU/M/GT/291, 1988-89

QP Blumenfeld A57

1 Nf3 Nf6
 2 d4 c5
 3 d5 e6
 4 c4 b5

I thought the Blumenfeld Counter Gambit was supposed to have a shaky reputation, although Lev Alburt has been getting good results with it recently. Come to think of it, Lev seems to get good results with ANY opening where he can ditch his b-pawn. Let's see what the books have to say. Hmm... lots of not-very-convincing +=s. Not much help.

Steinitz used to say that the best way to refute a sacrifice is to accept it. Let's see.

5 dxe6

"5 Bg5 provides a thorough refutation." (Reuben Fine)
 The midnight oil failed to convince me.

5 fxe6
 6 cxb5

The good news is that I could actually recall a game with this line: Tarrasch - Alekhine, Bad Pistyan 1922. The bad news is that Tarrasch was well and truly hoovered....

6 d5
 7 e3

If I had to do it all over again, I'd be tempted to try 7 Bf4 here, (a) to develop the B; (b) to challenge the b8-h2 diagonal and (c) to shuck the book. But then I've seen what happens in this game.

7 Bd6
 8 Nblc3 Bb7

9 e4 Nb8d7

There's a mystery here. In BCO 1, published in 1982, Ray Keene (or is it Garry K?) suggests 9 ... Nbd7 in a footnote to a ± main line, yet in AN OPENING REPERTOIRE FOR WHITE, published 2 years later, he makes Black play 9 ... dxe4, as in the BCO main line. Why? Did he forget to read his own book? Even in an October '89 annotation in CHESS LIFE, Jack Peters is still quoting a 1980 Browne-Quinteros game where Black took the P. I don't think Black should EVER play ... dxe4. That phalanx of pawns is worth its weight in gold, so why did Miguel do it? ... Nbd7 is a pretty obvious move. You don't need a book to find it.

10 exd5

10 ... d4 was a threat, since the Ra8 is defended after 11 e5 Bxf3 12 Qxf3 Nxe5. I don't know if exd5 is best. I'm feeling a bit uneasy.... At least it lifts the threat to the e-pawn and clarifies things in the centre.

10 exd5
11 Be2 0-0
12 0-0 Qc7



Time to take stock. Black is 2 tempi ahead in development (6 cxb5 and 9 e4) with no weaknesses. My next move is designed to take measures against the storm clouds gathering on the K-side. Besides, there aren't that many other reasonable developing moves available.

13 Bg5

After 4 days' thought. I wish there was something more incisive, but if there is, I can't find it.

13 Rae8
14 Rc1 d4

Here we go. Why do I get the feeling I'm about to be mugged?

15 Na4

15 Nb1 Δ Nc4!? Yes? No?
On a4 it pressurises c5. Maybe I can get in b3 and Nb2 later. Maybe.

15 Ng4
16 b3

16 Nxd4 Bxh2+ 17 Kh1 Bg1!!
is a thing of beauty.

16 Rxe2

No sweat. I'd analysed this
.....

17 hxg4

17 Qxe2 Bxf3 18 gxf3 Nh2 is fun only for Black. The R is attacked and the Bg5 is hanging to ... Nxf3+.

"Suddenly all of my fences have broken,"
Belinda Carlisle, "Runaway Horses"

One unforced possibility is 19 Be7 (Bd2!?) Bxe7 20 Qxe7 Nxf3+ 21 Kg2 Qh2 mate. Qe6+ doesn't seem to change things.

17 Rxf3

... but not THIS. My initial reaction was how to make it to move 20 and resign with minimum loss of face.

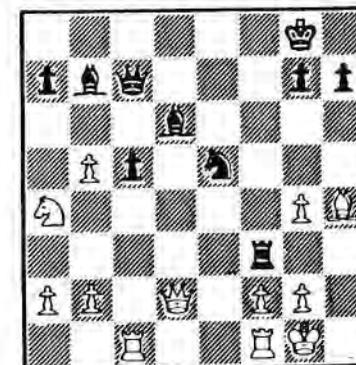
At least the position is analysable: if I avoid 18 gxf3 Bh2+ 19 Kg2 Qg3+ or 19 Kh1 Bxf3 mate I have a chance of playing on ...

18 Qxe2 Ne5

Now I have to avoid 19 gxf3 Nxf3+ 20 Kg2/h1 Nxe5+ 21 Kg1 Nh3 mate. I often see my opponent's threats. Especially when he's about to carry them out.

19 Bh4 d3
20 Qe1 d2
21 Qxd2

I WANTED rid of that P.



21 Rh3

A pretty, if moderately obvious, shot. Now, apart from the postage-saver 22 gxh3 Nf3+, I have to

avoid the "programmed"
 22 Bg3 Nf3+ 23 gxf3 Bxf3
 with doom on h1. This is
 getting easy. He's making
 all my decisions for me.

*"To the vast majority of mankind
 nothing is more agreeable than to
 escape the need for mental
 exertion... To most people
 nothing is more troublesome than
 the effort of thinking."*

James Bryce

22 f4

A breather at last! Perhaps
 ... Rh3 wasn't the best?

22 Rxb4

22 ...Nf3+ doesn't work.

23 fxe5

Time to take stock again.
 I'm the exchange and 2 Ps
 up; the black R is offside;
 the storm has abated.... I
 MUST be winning, right?

23 Bxe5

Oh. Now I see that my
 intended 24 Rxc5 is met by
 24 ... Bh2+ 25 Kf2 Qg3+
 26 Ke2 Qxg2+ 27 Rf2 (Ke3
 Qe4+ 28 Kf2 Bg3+!! It's
 THAT B again) Qxg4+ 28 Kd3
 Qe4+ 29 Kc3 Be5+.

*"Poor naked wretches, whereso'er
 you are,
 That bide the pelting of this
 pitiless storm,
 How shall your houseless heads
 and unfed sides,
 Your loop'd and window'd
 raggedness, defend you,
 From seasons such as these?"*
 King Lear, III, iv.

I'm trying, Will, I'm trying.

24 Nxc5

Gets the N back into play,
 attacks the Bb7 and covers
 lots of important light
 squares, especially e4. An
 additional threat is Ne6 Δ
 Rf8 mate. But it's Black's
 turn.

24 Bh2+
 25 Kf2 Qg3+
 26 Ke2 Qxg4+

To open up the 4th rank
 since ... Qxg2-e4 is no
 longer on.

27 Kd3 Qd4+
 28 Ke2

28 Kc2 Qxc5+ 29 Kbl Δ Qd8
 mating, or Qxb4 is calmly
 refuted by 29 ... Qe7. Pity.

28 Qg4+
 29 Kd3 Qd4+

30 Ke2

A draw! A draw! Thank You,
 Lord, for answering my
 prayers.

30 Qxd2+!

What do You mean, You didn't
 hear them!?

31 Kxd2 Bxg2

As if having to cope with
 ONE B wasn't enough... The
 idea is that Black now wins
 back the exchange, leaving
 himself with 2 ENORMOUS
 runners on the K-side, plus
 B v plodding N. As winning
 tries go, it's a good one,
 since Black has virtually no
 losing chances. Jochen shot
 up 5 places in my people's
 chart.

32 Ne6

I have to give back the
 exchange anyway. Best to do
 it by keeping an R on f1
 and getting in a threat of
 my own.

32 Bxf1

Killing both mating threats
 with one stone (33 Rc8 is
 no longer mate either!).

33 Rxf1

Objectively, this should
 probably be a draw.
 Subjectively, I can't take my
 eyes off those 2 guys on g7
 and h7...

33 Bd6

Δ 34 ... Rb4, so...

34 Rf5 Be7

Mainly to stop Nc6, White's
 only threat.

35 Ke3

Black's Big Threat is ...
 Rh2+ and Bf6+. Now it can
 be met by

35 Rh2
 36 Rf2 Rxf2
 37 Kxf2 Kf7
 38 Nd4

Δ Nc6.

38 Bc5
 39 Ke3 Kf6
 40 Ke4 Bxd4
 41 Kxd4 h5
 ♚ ♚

The WK strolls to the K-side
 and his counterpart strolls
 to the Q-side. Pity about
 General Custer on a7.

After that going-over I'm sure that Black must have missed a win somewhere, but I still haven't found anything conclusive. Maybe the R sac wasn't so hot? The march of the d-pawn...?

"The missing of chances is one of the mysteries of life,"
Sir Alf Ramsey

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Editor - In Ian's last article, we managed to make a couple of transcription errors and print a wrong diagram - our apologies.



BOOK REVIEW (by Alan Borwell)

The C3 Sicilian by Gary Lane. The Crowood Press, £7.95

A welcome addition to the openings theory repertoire, this 202-page nicely presented book contains detailed analysis and numerous diagrams of 40 complete games in this important variation.

The Editor suggests that the best way to use the book is to select the variation which interests you, play through the relevant games fully, go back over the opening stages and examine the various alternatives and finally to keep a note of new material you discover.

Taking his advice as a regular player of the Sicilian, I looked for my favourite set up with black which is to play e6/b6 and gain a strong hold on the d5 square. There are only 2 games in this line but, in one of them, black plays Ba6 rather than Bb7. However, the way the analysis is written has provided me with some ideas and surely this is the main benefit from any good openings book!

**1987-89
SCOTTISH CHAMPIONSHIP**
(by Philip Giulian)

The 1987-89 Scottish Championship appeared to be one of the most open for years, with most of the players having realistic chances of winning. Undoubted favourite was Alan Shaw, but running Chess Suppliers is very time-consuming and at certain times of the year, this leaves Alan with virtually no time for his correspondence games. George Pyrich was the strongest over-the-board player in the Final and must have had excellent chances if only he could find a bit more consistency in his postal games. On 'normal' form, George Sprott was another possible winner and he seems to be improving recently. Add to this list, regular finalists Robert Kilpatrick and George Livie as well as Tom Johnston, and it is easy to see how open the event was.

From the start of play, it was clear that Alan Shaw was determined that this was to be his championship. Most of his games followed the same pattern of a quiet positional opening, but as things developed Alan demonstrated a greater understanding of the middlegame. Despite his obvious superiority, Alan was not sure of the title until the last game was finished. A victory for George Sprott would have meant a tie between the two players.

Notes are by Alan Shaw.

White: A.J. Shaw
Black: G.R. Sprott

9 e4

QGD Slav D12

- | | | |
|---|------|------|
| 1 | Nf3 | d5 |
| 2 | c4 | c6 |
| 3 | d4 | dxc4 |
| 4 | e3 | Bg4 |
| 5 | Bxc4 | e6 |
| 6 | h3 | Bh5 |
| 7 | Nc3 | Nd7 |
| 8 | 0-0 | Ngf6 |

In the game Ribli-Ljubojevic (Amsterdam 1986), Black chose 9 ... Bxf3 and play continued 10 Qxf3 Nb6 11 Qd3 Nxc4 12 Qxc4 Be7 13 Rd1 0-0 14 Be3 with a slight advantage for White.

I reached the same position in the Scottish League 1989 against Brian Martin who tried 9 ... Be7 and we followed the game Antunac-Kovacevic, Yugoslavia 1975, with 10 Bg5 h6 11 Be3 0-0 12 e5 Nd5 13 Nxd5. Brian then varied by recapturing with the e-pawn and White won quickly after 14 Be2 f5 15 Nh2 Bxe2 16 Qxe2 b6 17 Rad1 a5 18 Rd3 Nb8 19 Rc1 Na6 20 Bxh6! gxh6 21 Qh5 Bg5 22 Rg3 Ra7 23 h4 c5 24 Qxh6 1-0.

9 b5
10 Bd3 a6
11 Qe2

Black has neglected his kingside development and this combined with his queenside pawn advances have provided White with an early target.

11 Be7
12 e5 Nd5
13 Nxd5 cxd5
14 a4 Bxf3
15 gxf3 bxa4
16 Rxa4 0-0

Black wisely decides to give up a queenside pawn without a struggle, attempting instead to obtain counter-play against the white king.

17 Rxa6 Rxa6
18 Bxa6 f6

24

19 f4 Nb8
20 Bb5

To prevent the black knight and queen combining to put pressure on d4.

20 Qb6
21 Qd3 Nc6
22 Bxc6 Qxc6
23 Bd2 Qb6
24 b4 Rc8
25 Ra1

Threatening Ra6.

25 Qc7
26 Qa6 Qd7
27 b5 Rc2
28 b6 Rb2

If the bishop is captured the white b-pawn queens.

29 Qa7 Qe8
30 b7 Bf8

Saving a tempo over the immediate Qg6+.

31 Qa8 Qg6+
32 Kh2 Qd3

The bishop en prise for 5 moves still cannot be captured as the rook would be lost to 33 Qxf8+ Kxf8 34 b8Q+ Qe8 (any king move allows Ra7 mate) 35 Qb4+.

33 b8Q Rxb8
34 Qxb8 Qxd2

35 Kg1 Qxf4

Best. If 35 ... Qxd4 36 Ra8 Qc5 37 Qe8 etc.

36 Qc8!

Not only attacking the pawn on e6, but preparing to defend all the weak points in the White position with Qc3.

36 Qg5+
37 Kf1 Qf5
38 Qc3 fxe5
39 dxe5 g5
40 Ra6 Qb1+
41 Kg2 Qe4+
42 Qf3 Qxe5
43 Ra7

Forcing the exchange of queens and finally eliminating the threat of perpetual check.

43 Qf4
44 Qxf4 gxf4
45 Kf3 h6
46 Rd7

If 46 Kxf4 Bc5 47 Ra2 allows the black king to escape from its back rank imprisonment.

46 Bc5
47 Ke2 Bf8
48 f3 h5

49 Kd3

With the white pawns now safe from attack, the king sets out to join forces with the rook to force the win of material.

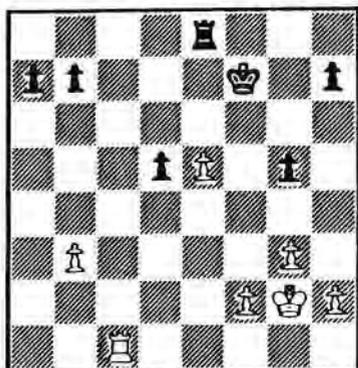
49 h4
50 Kd4 Bg7+
51 Kc5 Bf8+
52 Kc6 Bb4
53 Rb7 Ba3
54 Ra7 Bf8
55 Ra4 Bh6
56 Kd6 Kf7
57 Ke5 Bg7+
58 Kxf4 Bc3
59 Kg5 Bf6+

The adjudication date was now reached and White's claim for a win was upheld.

I have often heard people say that they cannot understand how players lose at correspondence chess (not players themselves, of course!). Even with all the time in the world and being able to move the pieces, we are all human and prone to outbreaks of blindness. Alan Shaw was a worthy winner of the championship but he was the beneficiary of probably the worst blunder.

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After 28 moves of his game v Tom Johnston, the following clearly level position was reached.



The game continued 29 Rc7+? Re7 30 Rxe7+?? Kxe7 31 f4 gxf4 32 gxf4 a5 and White resigns as the black pawns cannot be stopped.

Despite losing the critical last game to finish, George Spratt ended in clear second place. He had a fine win over George Pyrich (published in Magazine 31) but he also gained from an astonishing miscalculation by an opponent.

Notes are by George Spratt

White: A.T. Hislop
Black: G.R. Spratt

QG Accepted D21

1	d4	d5
2	Nf3	Nf6
3	c4	dxc4
4	Nc3	Bf5

Black plays it simply, avoiding the main line 4 ... a6 5 e4 b5 6 e5 Nd5 7 a4.

5	e3	e6
6	Bxc4	Nbd7

If 6 ... Nc6 7 Bb5 favours White.

7	0-0	c6
8	Re1	Be7
9	e4	Bg4
10	Be3	0-0

The pin on the f3 knight threatens ... e5 and if White plays e5 instead, then Black has good chances after ... Nd5.

11	h3	Bh5
12	Be2	b5

The pin is broken, so Black switches to the Q-side hoping to open up lines there.

13	a3	a5
14	Nd2	Bxe2
15	Qxe2	Qc7
16	e5	Nd5

17	Nxd5	cxd5
18	f4	

If 18 Qxb5 Rfb8 regaining the pawn with advantage. The g1-a7 diagonal is opened however.

18	Rfc8
19	f5	Qb6
20	fxe6	fxe6
21	Qg4	Rc2
22	Rab1	b4
23	Ne4??	

Hoping perhaps to regain the piece after d5-d6. The exposed position of the white K however permits a simple escape.

23	dxe4
24	d5	Bc5

The rest is now merely "a matter of technique" as the saying goes!

25	Qxe4	Bxe3+
26	Kh1	Rac8
27	Rxe3	R2c4
28	Qf3	Rf8
29	Qe2	exd5
30	e6	Nf6
31	e7	Re8
32	Re6	Qc5
33	axb4	axb4
34	Rf1	Re4

Simplifying to a won ending - the pawn on e7 cannot be defended.

35	Qa6	Rxe6
36	Qxe6+	Kh8
37	Rxf6	

Desperation time.

37	gxf6
38	Qxf6+	Kg8
39	Resigns	

Further checks only allow Black to move the K to e7 capturing the pawn.



One of the problems of correspondence chess is that your opponents often have access to any of your games which have been published. In the following game, George Pyrich bravely decides to repeat an opening line, knowing his opponent will have seen at least two of his previous games.

Notes are by George.

White: D.M. Livie
Black: G.D. Pyrich

English Opening A29

1	c4	e5
2	Nc3	Nf6
3	g3	d5

Persisting with this line, despite my losses to Norris and Beecham in the 86-88

Championship - both games appeared in Bulletin No. 30.

4 cxd5 Nxd5
5 Bg2 Nb6
6 Nf3

Varying from the 6 d3 Be7 7 Nh3 played by Norbert Otto (BRD) against me in WT/M/GT/239. That continued 7 (Nh3) Nc6 8 0-0 Be6 9 f4 Qd7 10 Nf2 exf4 11 Bxf4 0-0 12 a3 f5 13 Nb5!? Rfe8 14 Bxc6 bxc6 15 Nc3 Nd5 with level chances (although later 1-0).

6 Nc6
7 0-0 Be7
8 a3 0-0
9 b4 Be6
10 d3

Of course not 10 b5? Nd4 11 Nxe5? Bb3 etc.

10 a5

Improving on the 10 (d3) Nd4 11 Nd2 Nd5 12 Bb2 f6 played in the aforementioned game Norris-Pyrich.

11 b5 Nd4
12 Nd2 c6
13 Rb1?!

Bb2 as played by Alan Norris was better.

13 Nd5
14 Nxd5 cxd5

15 e3 Nf5

With a very comfortable position for Black, I now expected 16 Bb2 f6 17 Qe2 Qb6. Instead Douglas chose to hit out.

16 Nf3 f6
17 d4?! e4
18 Nd2 a4!

Staking out a territorial advantage, Black's position now plays itself.

19 Qe2 Qb6
20 f3 exf3
21 Bxf3 Rfc8
22 Bb2 Nd6
23 Rfc1 Qxb5

And the rest requires little comment.

24 Rxc8+ Rxc8
25 Bc1 Qxe2
26 Bxe2 Bf5
27 Ra1 Kf7
28 Bd1 b5
29 Bf3 Ke6
30 Kf2 Bd8
31 Bd1 Ba5
32 g4 Bg6
33 Ke2 Bc3
34 Ra2 Bxd4
Resigns



Sharing third place was Robert Kilpatrick who employed the Caro-Kann defence against George Livie. This is one of Black's most reliable openings. The idea is to set up a solid formation without weaknesses. In return, White obtains a space advantage and many players don't like defending Black's cramped position.

White: G.W.G. Livie
Black: R. Kilpatrick

Caro Kann B17

1 e4 c6
2 d4 d5
3 Nc3 dxe4
4 Nxe4 Bf5
5 Ng3 Bg6
6 Nf3 Nd7
7 h4

Gaining a space advantage on the kingside before exchanging bishops.

7 h6
8 h5 Bh7
9 Bd3 Bxd3
10 Qxd3 e6
11 Bd2 Ngf6
12 0-0-0 Be7
13 Qe2

All this is fairly standard. Now Black has a choice to make about where to castle. He decides to go kingside

and advance his a-pawn to create weaknesses in front of the white king.

13 a5
14 Rhe1 0-0
15 Ne5 a4?!

Presumably missing White's next move. Better is Re8.

16 Ng6! Re8

Of course not 16 ... fxc6 17 Qxe6+ Rf7 18 hxc6 winning.

17 Nxe7+ Qxe7

White has created a slight weakening of the black squares but now gets carried away.

18 Nf5? Qf8
19 Nh4 Qd6
20 Qd3

Unfortunately 20 g4 a3 21 b3 Qxd4 22 Bxh6 Qxg4!? (or Qa1+ drawing) 23 Qxg4 Nxc4 is quite playable for Black.

20 a3
21 b3 Qd5
22 f3 e5

Probably 22 ... Qxh5 is too risky because of Rh1.

23 Bxb6!?

Is this sound? Certainly White gets a strong attack after 23 ... gxf6 with moves like Nf5 and Qd2. However, Black has an easy way of obtaining an advantage. Simply.

23 Qxd4!
24 Qxd4 exd4
25 Bg5 c5

Black's strategy has worked out superbly. Now that the attack has petered out, White is left with a weak h-pawn, an off-side knight and weak black squares.

26 g4 Nd5
27 Bd2 Ne5
28 g5 c4
29 bxc4 Nxc4
30 Nf5 Nxd2
31 Kxd2 Nc3
32 Ra1 Rxe1

Now White is hopelessly lost. He has to either lose his vital a-pawn or allow Black's rook into the attack. Meanwhile, his k-side attack is illusory.

33 Rxe1 Nxa2
34 g6 Nc3
35 Nxd4 Nd5
36 Ra1 Ra5

Threatening b5.

37 Nb3 Ra7
38 Re1 Kf8
39 f4?! Ra4

Not 39 ... Nxf4 40 Rf1.

40 f5 Nf6
41 Nc5?! Ra5!
42 Nb3

Now 42 Nxb7 Rb5 wins the knight.

42 Rxf5
43 gxf7 b5
44 Nd4 Rxb5
45 Nc6 Kxf7
46 Nb4 g5
47 Re3 Rh4
48 c3 Rh2+
49 Kd3 g4
50 c4 a2

Resigns

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Games Editor

Congratulations to Ken McAlpine who registered a final norm for the IM title in the European Town Teams Tournament. Another member of the Glasgow team, Andrew Muir, registered his first norm. I hope to give further details of this tournament as soon as the final positions are available.

Those looking for an answer to 1 d4 might follow Simon Gillam's example with the Slav Defence.

He writes: "In the last two seasons, although I have been concentrating on international games, I have still managed ten games a season in various domestic team competitions.

These team games require a different approach from international play. Solid draws are of limited value to the ambitious team. It is unreasonable to hope to outplay your opponent in the ending, when adjudication afflicts the game after only nine months. Something else must be done to boost the win percentage.

In some games it may be sufficient to play the latest opening theory to achieve a clear plus; some opponents may even mis-handle well-known old lines. But against strong opponents it is necessary to head for unclear positions, trusting to luck or (preferably) to some home preparation.

In the last two seasons, my luck has mostly held, with eight wins each year.

One of the closest battles was the following effort, played on top board for Killingworth in the Postal Chess League, Division 2. The other game of the pair, in which I enjoyed a rather easier ride, appeared in the December 1989 issue of the magazine."

White: S R Gillam
Black: J A Dodgson

Slav Defence D17

1 d4 d5
2 c4 c6
3 Nf3 Nf6
4 Nc3 dxc4
5 a4 Bf5
6 Ne5?!

This is a good alternative to the standard 6 e3 e6 7 Bxc4 Bb4 8 0-0, with a slight plus for White.

6 e6

This commits Black to the following piece sacrifice. The alternative is 6 ... Nbd7 7 Nxc4 Qc7 8 g3 e5 9 dxe5 Nxe5 10 Bf4 Rd8 11 Qc1 Bd6 12 Nxd6+ Qxd6, which is now reckoned to be good for White because of the two bishops.

7 f3 Bb4

8 e4 Bxe4
9 fxe4 Nxe4
10 Bd2

An old line was 10 Qf3 Qxd4 11 Qxf7+, with complications but now reckoned to lead to a draw.

10 Qxd4
11 Nxe4 Qxe4+
12 Qe2 Bxd2+
13 Kxd2 Qd5+
14 Kc2 Na6
15 Nxc4 0-0-0

This is now established as the main book line. In recent years 15 ... 0-0 has been tried in a few GM games, but is now thought to be rather good for White after 16 Qe5 Rfd8 17 Be2 f6 18 Qxd5 cxd5 19 Na5 Rac8+ 20 Kbl. This line is treated thoroughly by Malcolm Pein in Pergamon Chess of October 1989. In these endings, the Black king is needed on the queen-side.

16 Qe5

In this opening, both players have to keep on thinking about whether to swap queens. Since the queen-swap now seems drawish, why play 16 Qe5? - I don't know, everyone just

seems to be copying Karpov. In Pergamon Chess, November 1989, Malcolm Pein suggests the immediate 16 Qe3.

16 f6
17 Qe3

This was first played in GM chess by Karpov, instead of the drawish 17 Qxd5. But after the game John Dodgson told me that he had played it himself in a postal game in 1975/76.

17 Kb8!?

I found out later that this was a suggestion by Karpov in Informator 46, but this seems to be its first outing in practice. From now on, I was on my own.

All the GM games in 1988 had seen 17 ... c5. The recommended continuation is then 18 Kb3 Nb4 19 Rcl, with advantage to White as in Karpov-Hjartarsson at Tilburg and Piket-Chandler at the Olympiad.

18 Be2

I was lucky to avoid one line given by Karpov: 18 Kb3 Nc5+ 19 Ka3 Nxa4! 20 Kxa4 Qb5+ 21 Ka3 Qa6+, picking up the rook.

Another possibility is 18 Rcl. Karpov gives 18 ... Qf5+ 19 Kb3 Nc5+ 20 Ka3 Nd3 as "unclear". I was more worried about 18 ... b5, eg. 19 Na3 Nb4+ 20 Kc3 Na2+.

18 Qxg2
19 Rhg1 Qxb2
20 Rxc7 Nb4+
21 Kb3 Nd5



This is where Karpov's analysis ends, with the assessment "unclear". In my own analysis, I could find no plans for White that gave any clear advantage, but I managed to spot and avoid several clear losses.

22 Qf3 Nf4
23 Re1

The white attacks are too slow. If 23 Rh1 Nxe2 24 Rxh2 Nd4+ wins back the

queen with a decisive advantage. Or 23 Rxb7+ Kxb7 24 Na5+ Kb8 25 Qxc6 Qg3+ 26 Ka2 Qg7 and White has nothing clear.

23 Rhg8
24 Rxc8 Rxc8
25 Ka2 e5

An alternative would be 25 ... Qg3, aiming to swap queens immediately.

26 Nd6 Qg3
27 Qe4!

Now White wants to keep the queens on, because only Black would have any winning chances with four pawns for the piece.

27 Qg6

The rook on e1 cannot be taken: 27 ... Qxe1 would lose to 28 Qxh7 Qb4 29 Qxc8+ Kc7 30 Qf7+, because 30 ... Kxd6 loses the queen to a skewer 31 Qf8+. But Black has other possibilities - eg. 27 ... Nd5 or 27 ... Nxe2 or 27 ... Kc7 or 27 ... Rd8 - none of which was I able to analyse to a clear outcome.

28 Qb4 Rg7

This is the best defensive move. If 28 ... Qg7 29 Rg1! Ng6 30 Ba6 b6 31 Qc4 is very good for White. Or if 28 ... b6 29 Qc4 is again very strong.



29 Nf5!?

This shouldn't win against best defence, but is probably the best practical try. If 29 Nxb7 Qf7+! 30 Bc4 Nd5 is good for Black. 29 Ba6 is also possible, but I could see nothing clear in that line.

29 Rd7

If 29 ... Qxf5 30 Qf8+ Qc8 31 Qxc7 is clearly good for White. But what about 29 ... c5!? 30 Qxc5 Qxf5 31 Qf8+ Qc8 32 Qxc7 Nxe2!

White then seems to have nothing better than allowing a perpetual check.

30 Qf8+ Kc7
31 Ne7 Qc2!

The best square for the queen. If 31 ... Qg3 32 Qc8+ Kb6 33 a5+! Kxa5 34 Qxd7 Qxe1 35 Qxb7 with the killing threat of 36 Nxc6+. Alternatively, 31 ... Qe4 32 Qc8+ Kb6 (or 32 ... Kd6 33 Qxd7+ Kxd7 34 Bg4+ wins) 33 Qxd7 Qxa4+ 34 Kb1 Qe4+ 35 Kc1 Nxe2+ 36 Kd2 wins.

32 Qc8+ Kd6?

At last Black goes fatally astray. It was essential to play 32 ... Kb6. A possible continuation would be 33 Qxd7 Nxe2 34 Nd5+!? Kc5! (not 34 ... cxd5 35 Qb5+ Kc7 36 Rxe2 winning, nor 34 ... Ka5 35 Qc7+ Kxa4 36 Qxb7! Qc4+ 37 Ka3 winning), when White has to enter a drawish ending.

33 Rd1+ Nd5??
34 Rxd5+

Black resigned, because after 34 ... cxd5 35 Qxc2, the rook and pawns are no match for the queen and bishop.

The blunder on move 33 brought the game to an abrupt end. White would have been winning easily after 33 ... Qxd1 34 Nf5+ Ke6 35 Bxd1. Better resistance would have come from 33 ... Kc5 34 Qxd7 Qxa4+ (if 34 ... Nxe2 35 Qd6+ Kb6 (35 ... Kc4 36 Qd2 is an easy endgame win) 36 Nd5+ Ka5 37 Qb4+ mates) 35 Kb1 Nxe2 36 Qd6+ Kb6 37 Nd5+ Kb5 38 Nc7+ Ka5 39 Qc5+ b5 40 Rd3! and White wins.



From the Scotland-Italy friendly international.

White: G Santoro
Black: S R Gillam

Slav Defence D18

1	d4	d5
2	c4	c6
3	Nf3	Nf6
4	Nc3	dxc4
5	a4	Bf5
6	e3	e6
7	Bxc4	Bb4
8	0-0	Nbd7
9	Qe2	Bg6
10	e4!?	

The safe line is 10 Bd3 Bxd3 11 Qxd3 0-0 12 Rd1.

The main book line was 12 ... Qe7 13 e4 e5 14 Bg5, with some advantage to White. More recently we have seen 12 ... c5 13 d5 exd5 14 Nxd5 Nxd5 15 Qxd5 Nf6 with equality. But I like the look of 12 ... Qa5!?, not mentioned by the books.

In its first outing OTB, play continued 12 ... Qa5 13 e4 e5 14 Bg5 exd4 15 Bxf6 Nxf6, when Black already stands slightly better (R Horner-SR Gillam, 1986).

A later postal game saw 12 ... Qa5 13 Bd2 Rfd8 14 Ne4 Nxe4 15 Qxe4 Nf6, and again Black is fine (C A Rinaldi - S R Gillam, Argentina v Scotland, 86-89)

10 Bxc3!?

Black can also play 10 ... 0-0, transposing back to the old main line (8 ... 0-0 9 Qe2 Nbd7 10 e4 Bg6), which is slightly better for White.

11 bxc3 Nxe4
12 Ba3 Nb6!?

The most popular line is 12 ... Qc7, but I did not fancy facing 13 Nh4!? Nxc3 14 Qe3 Nd5 15 Bxd5 cxd5

16 f4. Why has this not been seen in any GM games?

13 Bb3 Qc7
14 Rfc1 0-0-0

This may be inaccurate. Probably Black should play 14 ... Nd7, to discourage 15 Ne5. After 14 ... Nd7 15 Qe3 0-0-0 16 a5 a6, White has reasonable play for the pawn (Vaganian - Ljubojevic, Amsterdam 1986). In JM Tiplady-SR Gillam (County Postal 88-89), play from this position continued 17 Ne5 Nef6 18 h3 Nd5 19 Bxd5 exd5 20 Nxd7 Qxd7 21 Bc5 Rde8 22 Qg3 Re6 23 Re1 Rhe8 24 f3. Although Black has solved all his problems, the opposite bishops and black square weaknesses leave negligible winning chances.

15 Ne5 Nd6
16 a5 Nd7
17 a6 b6
18 f4 Nxe5
19 fxe5 Ne8
20 Qf3

The position now looks very good for White. The pawn on a6 forces Black to be constantly vigilant for a sac on b6 or a mating attack on b7.

The knight on e8 has no good square. All this for only one pawn.

20 Kb8
21 Bb2?! f6!

Taking the chance to break out. The position will still be difficult, but at least there will be some counterplay.

22 Bxe6 fxe5
23 dxe5 Qxe5
24 Re1

Not 24 Qxc6?? Qe3+ 25 Kh1 Be4 26 Qc4 Bxg2+ 27 Kxg2 Rd2+, mating.

24 Qc5+
25 Kh1 Rd3
26 Qf4+ Qd6
27 Qxd6+ Nxd6
28 Bg4 Re8
29 Rxe8+ Nxe8
30 c4



At first sight, Black seems to have emerged into the ending a safe pawn up. But White has ample counterplay. The pawn on a6 remains a constant threat, while the white rook may aim for e7.

30 Kc7
31 Re1 Kd6
32 Bf3

If 32 Be5+ Kc5 33 Bb8 Ra3 is fine for Black. The alternative 32 Re6+ Kc5 33 Re7 Nf6 34 Bxf6 gxf6 35 Rxa7 is enough to draw, but there is no rush.

32 Nf6
33 Kg1 h5?!
34 Be5+ Kc5
35 Bxf6 gxf6
36 Re7 Ra3
37 Rxa7

Compared with the last note, the black kingside is weaker.

37 Bd3
38 Rc7 Rxa6
39 Rxc6+ Kd4
40 Kf2

The immediate captures seem to achieve nothing. If 40 Bxb5, then 40 ... Ra1+ 41 Kf2 Bxc4 is similar to the game. In the game or in this line, Black only has to

avoid 40 ... Bxc4?? 41 Rxc4.
If 40 Rxf6, then Black can
try 40 ... h4!?, hoping for
41 Rh6?? Ra1+ 42 Kf2 Rf1
mate, but 41 Rd6+ Kxc4 looks
drawn again.

40 Ra2+
41 Kg3 Bxc4
42 Rxb6

This leaves White a safe
pawn up, but with no real
winning chances. There
would have been more play
left after 42 Rxf6 b5, but
Black should still draw.

42 Ke5
43 Bxb5 Bd5
44 Bf3 Bxf3

Whichever way White
recaptures, he is left with
one of the least promising
R+2 v R+1 endings. He
plays on for a few months,
but eventually recognises
the futility.

45 Kxf3 Ra3+
46 Kg4 Ra4+
47 Kh3 Kf5
48 Rb8 Kg6
49 Rg8+ Kf7
50 Rg4 Ra3+
51 g3 Ra2
52 Rf4 Kg6
53 Rg4+ Kf5
54 Rb4 Kg5
55 Rb5+ Kg6

56 g4 Ra3+
57 Kh4 Ra2
58 h3 Ra3
Draw agreed.



In "Playing to Win", English
GM James Plaskett claims it
will soon be necessary to
proscribe the Petroff
Defence because of "the
excruciatingly bland middle-
games it all too frequently
generates". Tom Craig
reckons it to be the ideal
choice against the committed
hacker.

"I'll never forget my last
game against Robert Inglis.
We met in an 1976 inter-
school match on Board 1. It
was my second last game for
Dumfries Academy and our
saddest hour. Robert's win
against me with the Max
Lange Attack was enough to
see his team through, on
board count, to the Scotsman
Final. Thirteen years later,
our next meeting is in
another prestigious team
event and from the outset we
both knew that the destiny
of the trophy would be
heavily influenced by the
outcome of our games."

SCCA League 1988/89

White: Robert Inglis
(Streatham & Brixton)
Black: Tom Craig
(The Establishment)

Petroff's Defence C43

1 e4 e5
2 Nf3 Nf6

The psychology behind my
choice of this rather
colourless defence, assumed
that Robert would choose a
lively variation creating
the possibility of dynamic
counter attacking chances.

3 d4

As White I have played
3 Ec4 Nxe4 4 Nc3, and
3 Nxe5 d6 4 Nf3 Nxe4 5 Nc3
in previous correspondence
games, but be warned I
usually play the King's
Gambit.

3 Nxe4
4 Bd3 d5
5 Nxe5 Nd7
6 Qe2

White can take a quick draw
6 Nxf7 Kxf7 7 Qh5+ Ke7
8 Qe2 Kf7, unless Black
wishes to chance 7 ... Ke6!?

6 Nxe5

7 Bxe4 dxe4
8 Qxe4 Be6
9 Qxe5

I find that one of the main
differences between corres-
pondence and OTB is that in
postal chess it is more
tempting to grab material
and try to methodically
analyse away the gambiter's
compensation.

9 Qd7
10 Nc3

10 Be3 0-0-0? 11 Qa5, Hort
v Short, West Germany, 1986
is a painful reminder of how
quickly this line can go
wrong for Black.

10 0-0-0
11 Be3 Bb4
12 a3?

A wasted move really. 12 0-0
f6 13 Qf4 Bd6 14 Qf3 Bg4
15 Qd5 Bxb2+ 16 Kxb2 Qxd5
17 Nxd5 and a draw was
agreed between Unzicker and
Rogoff at Amsterdam in 1980.
I would have played 13 ...
Bxc3.

12 f6
13 Qg3

13 Qf4 may be better.

13 Bxc3+

14 bxc3 h5!?

14 ... Bc4 was an attractive possibility but the bishop may be better placed on the h7-b1 diagonal. 14 ... Kb8 to wait and see what White intended to do with his king, pins the black c-pawn. Moving either of the rooks before White commits his king would mean a redeployment of the rooks as a prerequisite to an attack.

15 h4 Bf5

15 ... Bc4 is a reasonable alternative.

16 Kd2

16 0-0 is dangerous, 16 ... g5! 17 hxg5 h4.

16 Qa4
17 Ra2 Rd7
18 Rb1 c5
19 Rab2 Re8

This is an interesting position for those of you who use a chess computer to help you with your correspondence games. The machine would be obsessed with capturing White's a-pawn. (19 ... Qxa3 20 Qf3 Bg4 21 Qc6+! bxc6 22 Rb8+ Kc7 23 Bf4+ Rd6 24 R1b7 mate! - Games Ed.)

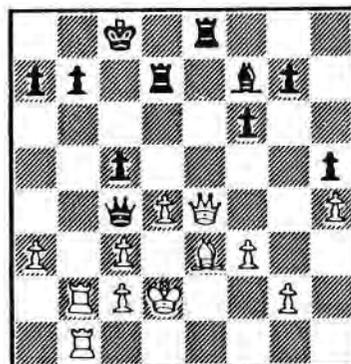
20 Qf3 Bg4

I was constantly assessing sacrificing on d4, but always hit against problems like 20 ... cxd4 21 cxd4 Rxd4+ 22 Kc1.

21 Qf4 Qc4!?

21 ... g5? 22 Qxf6.

22 f3! Be6
23 Qe4 Bf7



24 Qf5?

25 Qd3! keeps White in the game.

24 cxd4!
25 Rxb7
25 cxd4 Rxe3!
25 dxc3+
26 Ke1 Rxe3+

27 Kf2 Qxh4+
White resigns

28 Kg1 Re1+ 29 Rxe1 Qxe1+
30 Kh2 Qe5+.



Regular contributor David Salter writes, "In recent months some of my chess positions have met with untimely deaths. They can be explained by factors such as over-adventurous opening plans, dubious development schemes or a touch of carelessness against competent opponents. The following game is a good (or bad?) example of strange early play which was soundly punished. However, it may provide some entertainment to those readers who tire of prolonged endgames."

SCCA Q141

White: Robert Beacon
Black: David Salter

Caro-Kann B13

1 e4 c6
2 c4 d5
3 cxd5 cxd5
4 exd5 Nf6

Having experienced unpleasant shocks recently

with the Scandinavian Defence, I was not keen to venture 4 ... Qxd5.

5 Nc3 Nxd5
6 Nf3 Nc6
7 d4 Bg4

More solid and theoretical is 7 ... e6. The start of my troubles?

8 Qb3 Bxf3

The pressure on b7 and d5 forces my hand.

9 gxf3

White need not take risks with 9 Qxb7 Nxd4 when a wild situation takes shape.

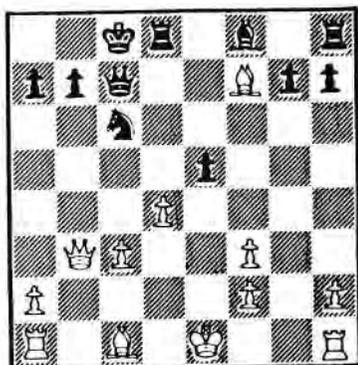
9 Nxc3
10 bxc3 Qc7
11 Bc4

Exchanges haven't solved Black's problems. Now if 11 ... e6 12 Bf4 Qxf4 13 Qxb7 matters become unclear, especially if Black offers his a8 rook to the enemy queen. Instead 12 ... Bd6 13 Bxd6 Qxd6 14 Qxb7 0-0 might have been worth a try - White's pawn cover is poor.

11 0-0-0?!

12 Bxf7 e5

The extraordinary idea behind this position was to try to take advantage of White's uncastled king.



It becomes painfully and simply clear that White is not obliged to go for 13 dxe5 Qxe5+ 14 Be3 Bc5 or 13 0-0 exd4 which would give Black activity. Instead...

13 Be6+ Kb8
14 d5 Na5
15 Qc2 Nc4

Black's "check blindness" has meant that the central lines remain blocked. White's B and QP impose great limitations.

16 Be3 Be7

17 Rg1 Rhf8

White now avoids 18 Rxc7? Nxe3 19 fxe3 Bh4+ which loses a R. Also in Black's favour is 18 Qxh7 Nxe3 19 fxe3 Qxc3+.

18 Ke2 Nxe3

Despite the earlier oversights, I was still trying for active play. Keeping the N in play might have been better.

19 fxe3 e4
20 Qxe4 Qxb2+

I put too much faith in this. The queen ends up struggling to find a useful square. 20 ... Qxc3 was rejected for fear of the open c-line.

21 Kd3 Qb2?

Desperate to follow up with an attack on c3 by ... Bf6. However, a Q retreat does little to prevent White from building an attack down the open lines and advancing pawns.

22 Rgb1 Qa3

23 Rxb7+! Ka8

Naturally 23 ... Kxb7 leads to such horrors as 24 d6+ Ka6 25 Bc4+ Kb6 26 Rb1+ Ka5 27 Qd5+ etc.

24 Rb3

(24 d6! perhaps - Games Ed)

24 Qd6
25 c4 Rf6

A last hope in the threat ... Rxe6 Qxe6 Qxe6 exploiting the pin.

26 Kc3 Rxf3
27 Qxf3 Bf6+

A final flourish which does nothing to ward off White's threatened p push.

28 Kd2 Bxa1
29 c5 Qh2+

Though 29 ... Qxe6 cannot be answered by 30 dxe6, there is the rather final 30 d6++!

30 Kd3 Resigns

With nothing more to consider than lines such as 30 ... Rb8 31 d6+ Rb7 32 Qxb7 or Qf8++, I hope some lessons have been learned!



The Sicilian Defence is considered Black's best opportunity of playing for a win. But is the opening suitable for postal play? With time to analyse his attack, I would guess that White has a very strong win percentage - Black is busted before his counterplay gets going.

Perhaps a Chessbase owner can give us the statistics of White's chances in OTB and postal play against the Sicilian.

Mike Macleod from Stornoway annotates his win from the Lewis Postal Chess Champs.

White: M. Macleod
Black: R. Murray

Sicilian Sozin B87

1 e4 c5
2 Nf3 d6
3 d4 cxd4
4 Nxd4 Nf6
5 Nc3 a6
6 Bc4 e6
7 Bb3 b5
8 0-0 Bb7
9 f4 Nxe4
10 Nxe4 Bxe4
11 f5

The sequence 9 Be3 Nbd7 10 f4 b4 11 Na4 is more

normal, and would have transposed into Velimirovic-Suba, Pinerolo 1987 (Informator 43/307) which went 11 ... Bxe4 12 f5 e5 13 Ne6 fxe6 14 fxe6 Nb8 15 Nb6 and Black was under pressure. That was going to be the model for this game, but owing to a bad hangover I mixed up the move order. I discovered later that A. Burnett - S. Willetts, Dundee Major 1988, continued (with White earlier playing Be3 and Black Be7) 10 ... Nxe4 11 Nxe4 Bxe4 12 f5 e5 13 Ne6 fxe6 14 fxe6 Nc6 15 Qg4 Bg6 16 Bd5 Qc7 17 a4 b4 18 a5 Rc8 19 Bb6 Qb8 20 Be4 and 1-0 in 29.

11 e5
12 Nf3

It is unclear whether the omission of Be3 made Ne6 unsound, but without the piece sacrifice, White doesn't have quite enough for the pawn.

12 Be7
13 Qe2 Bc6
14 Be3 Nd7
15 Rad1 Qc7

My opponent had a correspondence grading of over 2000, so I had not expected to be allowed back

into the game. Maybe Black worried about 16 f6, but 15 ... 0-0 16 f6 Bxf6 17 Rxd6 Qc7 seems solid.

16 Ng5 d5

16 ... 0-0 17 Qh5 (hitting h7, f7) Bxg5 18 Bxg5 intending 19 f6 looks gloomy for Black, while 16 ... Bxg5 (probably best) goes against the grain. The text attempts to give back the pawn and get rid of pressure from the Bb3, but ...



17 Nxf7 Kxf7

Best may be 17 ... 0-0: 18 Rxd5 Rxf7 (18 ... Bxd5 19 Bxd5 Rxf7 20 Bxa8) 19 Rdd1 is unclear, while 18 Ng5 Bxg5 19 Bxg5 Qb7 might be okay for Black.

18 Qh5+ Kf8
19 Rxd5 Bg5

This position is diabolical - the rook is a "can't take" since the ruinous ... g6 would be forced. Black's problem is, he must move both minor pieces off the second rank, but if 19 ... Nf6 20 Rd8+ Bxd8 (if 20 ... Be8 21 Qf7 is mate) 21 Bc5+. 19 ... Bb4 20 Rd6 Nf6 21 Rxf6 (21 Rxc6 - Games Ed) gxf6 22 Bh6+ Ke7 23 Qf7+ Kd8 24 Qxf6+ Kc8 25 Qxh8+ is a form of opposite sides castling, but where Black is two pawns down. The text relieves the pressure on f7, due to 20 Bxg5 Bxd5 21 Bxd5 Qc5+.

20 Qxg5 Bxd5

Probably the last chance was 20 ... Nf6: if 21 Bc5+ Ke8 22 Rd6, White's attack might run out of steam. After 22 ... Bd7 (22 ... Bxg2 23 Re6+ intending 24 Bb6 and 22 ... Ne4 23 Re6+ Kd7 24 Re7+ are both better for White) 23 Qxg7 Qxc5+ 24 Kh1 Qxd6: if 25 Qxh8+ Qf8, while if 25 Bf7+ Kd8 26 Qxh8+ Ke7 27 Qg7 Kd8 and White cannot make progress (23 Qe3 Ng4 24 Bf7+ Kd8 (24 ... Kxf7 25 Qb3+ Ke8 26 Re6+ wins)

25 Qg5+ Kc8 26 b4 wins - Games Ed1.

21 Bxd5 Rc8
22 f6 g6

Or 22 ... Nxf6 23 Rxf6+ gxf6 24 Qxf6+ Ke8 25 Qe6+.

23 Qh6+
1 0



Raymond Burrige from Aberdeen won the Postal Shield last season - notes by the winner.

Postal Shield 1988-89

White: R Burrige
Black: A W I Campbell

Najdorf Poisoned Pawn B97

1 e4 c5
2 Nf3 d6
3 d4 cxd4
4 Nxd4 Nf6
5 Nc3 a6
6 Bg5 e6
7 f4 Qb6
8 Qd2 Qxb2

Now White has a choice between the currently fashionable move 9 Rb1 or the more restrained 9 Nb3.

9 Nb3 Nc6

Black also has 9 ... Qa3 or 9 ... Nbd7!?

10 Bxf6 gxf6
11 Na4

In John Nunn's book "Najdorf for the Tournament Player", he gives 11 Be2 f5 12 exf5 Bg7 as the main line, favouring Black.

11 Qa3
12 Nb6 Rb8
13 Nc4 Qa4
14 a3 b5

Otherwise 15 Bd3 followed by Nb6 or b2.

15 Nxd6+ Bxd6
16 Qxd6 Qxe4+
17 Be2! Qd5

If 17 ... Qxg2 18 0-0-0 and Black's position is now precarious, eg. 18 ... Qxe2 then 19 Qxc6+ with a Q check picking up Rb8. So if 18 ... Bb7 19 Qd7+ Kf8 20 Rhg1!! Qxe2 21 Qd6+ Ke8 (Ne7 22 Qd8+ Rxd8 23 RxR mate) 22 Nc5 with the idea of Nxb7 and Qxc6, or 23 Nd7 24 Nf6+.

Back to reality!

18 Qxd5 exd5
19 0-0-0 Be6

20 Bf3

With a small advantage to White according to Boleslavsky. White has compensation for the pawn by active pieces and Black has a weak pawn structure.

20 b4
21 a4(!) Ne7
22 Rhe1 Rc8
23 Nd4 Kd7??
24 f5 Bxf5
25 Nxf5 Nxf5
26 Bg4 Rc5
27 Bxf5+ Kc6

Although Black has 2 pawns for the bishop, his pawns are either isolated, doubled or easily blockaded, so White's plan is to set about attacking these pawns.

28 Kb2 Kb6
29 Kb3 a5
30 Re7 Rg8
31 g3 h5
32 Rxf7 h4
33 Rxf6+ Kc7
34 g4 Re8
35 Be6 Resigns
1 0

There must be hundreds of postal games played by Scottish players each year.

Why not share your experiences by annotating one for your magazine?

Please send to our Games Editor.

The Wandering Dragons Postal Newsletter continues the Sicilian gloom.

9 f4 0-0
10 f5

10 e5 is probably better.

10 b4
11 fxe6?! bxc3
12 exf7+ Kh8
13 bxc3 Nxe4
14 Bd5 Nxc3
15 Qf3

The time control is every 5 moves in the Premier and is a real pain in the neck. It was here that I lost the other game on time.

15 Nxd5
16 Qxd5 Qb6
17 Be3 Bb7

Leaving White with very little for the piece.

18 Qh5

Necessary, to keep the f-file open...

18 Bf6
19 Rxf6 gxf6
20 Re1!?

White's last chance - threatening mate!

"Earlier this year Tom Thomson became the first person to officially record a win against yours truly (Steve Gowland) when I lost on time in last season's SCCA Premier Tourney. Although I lost on time it is fair to say that I was decidedly worse off and would probably have lost anyway. That first defeat was followed by five other losses last season, bringing me down to Earth with a thump you might say! Thomson could probably have beaten me 2-0 after an unsound sac on my part, but incorrect defence allowed a crushing attack..."

SCCA Premier 1988-89

White: Steve Gowland
Black: Tom Thomson

Sicilian Sozin B87

1 e4 c5
2 Nf3 d6
3 d4 cxd4
4 Nxd4 Nf6
5 Nc3 a6
6 Bc4 e6
7 Bb3 b5
8 0-0 Be7

20 Qc5??

Black sees only the f7 pawn as a threat. 20 ... Qb4! looks best, saving a tempo.

21 Nf5 Qd5
22 Qg4 Qxf7

Incredibly Black has nothing better!

23 Bh6 Rg8
24 Re8! Resigns

There are so many variations possible after 22 Qg4 that I cannot give them all here. Anyway it's more fun if you work them all out for yourself!

Hint: I looked at 22 ... Rxf7, 22 ... Qxg2+, 22 ... Qxf7 23 Bh6 Qg6, 22 ... Qxf5 etc.



Peter McCarron writes, "I enjoyed the following game because it isn't often you get a chance to punch huge holes in your opponent's position with nothing but pawn moves! At least it proves one thing: even a 2215 player can put in the odd wobbly performance."

BCCS 1986-87

White: Peter McCarron (1750)
Black: Gordon Scholes (2215)

Sicilian Sozin B89

1 e4 c5
2 Nf3 d6
3 d4 cxd4
4 Nxd4 Nf6
5 Nc3 Nc6
6 Bc4 e6

This is the Sozin System

7 Be3 a6
8 Qe2

Another try is 8 0-0. eg. 8 ... Na5?! 9 Bd3 Qc7 10 Qe2 Be7 11 f4 b5 12 a3! Bb7 13 Rad1 followed by Kh1 and Bc1 with a slight pull.

8 Qc7
9 0-0-0 Be7
10 Bb3 Na5
11 g4 b5
12 g5 Nxb3+
13 axb3 Nd7
14 h4 b4
14 Na4 Nc5
16 Kbl Bd7

16 ... Nxe4 is, as you'd expect, just too risky. Why?

17 h5 Bxa4
18 bxa4 Nxa4?

Whaaat? With Black's king still snoozing on e8, such an offside pawn snatch can hardly be good. I was starting to sniff an "upset" here...!

19 g6! Bf6
20 gxf7+ Qxf7
21 h6! g6
22 f4 Nc5
23 e5 Be7
24 exd6 Bxd6



25 f5!

Nine successive pawn moves, and every one a hammer blow!

25 gxf5
26 Rhg1 Resigns

Devoid of counterplay or king cover, Gordon didn't relish the impending brutality, so I guess you could call this an intelligent - if mildly irritating - resignation.

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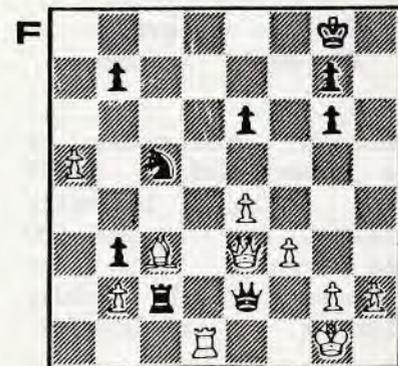
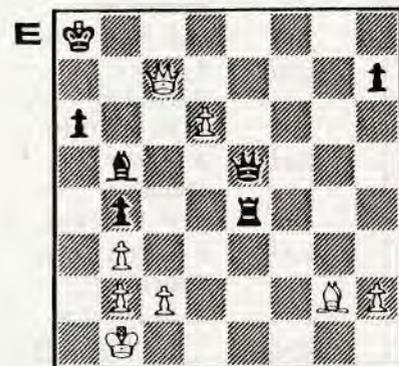
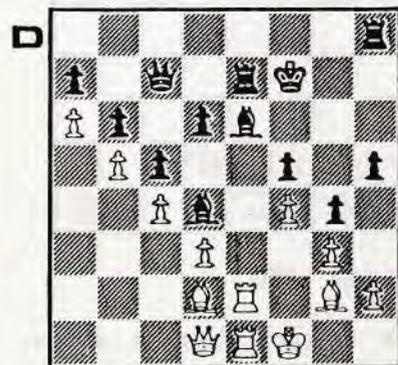
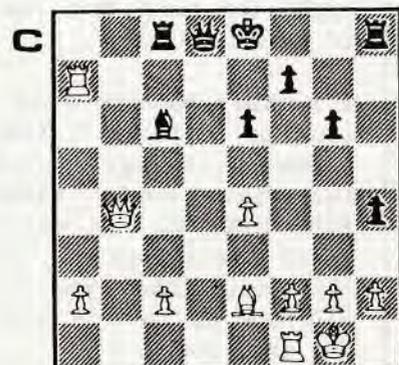
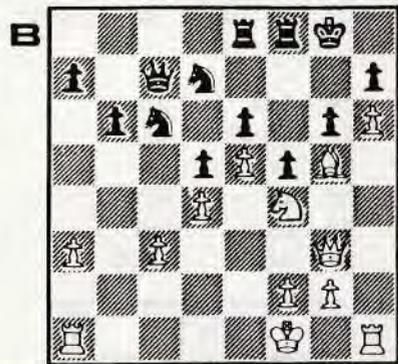
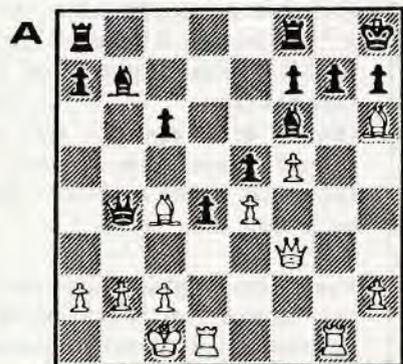
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WINNING CONTINUATIONS

(selected by John Hawkes)

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STREATHAM & BRIXTON

by Simon Gillam

Streatham & Brixton has been the top British postal chess team of the last decade. Since 1979, S&B has taken the British Postal Chess Team Championship seven times. The club has also enjoyed success in the Scottish Correspondence Chess League.

But how did they get started? Who plays for them? Where are Streatham and Brixton? What are they doing in a Scottish competition? Read on

Streatham and Brixton are both in South London, in the inner London borough of Lambeth, on the A23 road to Croydon and Brighton. In the national press, Brixton is best known because of the riots in 1981, but Londoners are more likely to think of it as the southern end of the Victoria line on the tube, or as the home of the independent Ritzy cinema and one of the best street markets in London. The tabloids link Streatham with Madame Cyn and her luncheon voucher parties, while readers of the sports pages may know of the Streatham Redskins Ice Hockey team, but the locals of this pleasant leafy suburb are more likely to worry about how to afford the mortgage taken out after the house price boom.

Brixton Chess Club was a founder member of the Surrey League in 1884 and the London League in 1887. In the following 50 years, Brixton captured the Surrey trophy 12 times and the London League on three occasions. One of the leading players was the young Harry Golombek, who won the Surrey Individual Championship in 1931 at the age of 20.

In 1946, Brixton merged with the Streatham Club, which had been formed in 1918. Until the mid-1970s, the combined Streatham & Brixton Club achieved little of note. Ray Keene was a member in the 1960s, but left before he went on to international success and the GM title.

The Club's rise started in 1974 with Nigel Povah's return from university and election as Club President. This gave an infusion of new blood to the club, including two very young juniors that Nigel was coaching - Julian Hodgson and Danny King. In 1976, S&B took the Surrey title for the first time, and won Division 2 of the London League. In 1977 the Surrey success was repeated, while the London League team won the top division.

The next major advance came in season 1981/82, when S&B scored a London League and Cup double, under the captaincy of Andy Muir. This was not down to the arrival of any new stars, but the result of steady improvement by the top players. The top four - Julian Hodgson, Glenn Flear, Danny King and Nigel Povah - had been with the club before they were rated over 200 (2200), but in 1981/82 were collecting numerous International Master norms. By the summer Nigel and Danny had completed their IM qualification.

The team spirit, engendered by playing success, efficient organisation and a good social side to the club, boosted the S&B membership to over 100 players. Among the new members were Mark Hebden, Tony Kosten and Joe Gallagher, who all followed the club pattern by joining before they were IMs, then picking up norms galore.

The team peaked in 1984/85 with another London League and Cup double, then victory in the National Club Championship, scoring victories over Oxford and Cambridge Universities. By then six of the top seven had IM titles, and Joe followed soon after. Three of the victorious side - Glenn, Julian and Danny - have now gone on to attain the GM title, while others have several GM norms.

But this international success was a mixed blessing, as the players spent more of their time competing in Europe. The club rejoiced when Glenn won the 1986 GLC Kings Grandmaster tournament - taking a day off in the middle to get married - but the resulting move northwards to find an affordable house meant that he was lost to the club teams. By 1988 Nigel was the only IM still able to turn out regularly for the club teams.

At the same time as S&B was enjoying its advance in over-the-board play, the club took its first steps into the world of postal chess. The first captain was Mike Singleton, a regular competitor in the individual British Correspondence Championship. Victory in the 1977 BCCL Premier Division was followed by taking the 1978 BCCL Championship, then the 1979 British Postal Chess Team Championship (BPCTC).

In 1984 Mike handed over the captaincy to Tony Corkett, having taken four BPCTC titles in six seasons. The only blemishes on the record were in 1980, when Sutton Coldfield won on tie-break from the Civil Service and S&B, and then 1984 when S&B were second to the Inland Revenue.

Tony's team missed out in its first season, again finishing second to the Inland Revenue, but then captured three titles in a row. The 1989 result - 3rd equal - was relatively disappointing, but maintained the club's record of never finishing out of the top four.

Over the years, the team has usually managed to remain unchanged from year to year, using only 17 players in the eleven seasons. This process was assisted for a few years by the existence of a B team, who also managed to reach the BPCTC.

The best season was 1986, when S&B scored 15½/18, to equal the record set in 1969 by Nottingham Mechanics. That season's team (in board order) was John Pigott, Nigel Povah, Colin McNab, Alan Norris, Simon Gillam, Mike Singleton, Ian Upton, Ken Coates and Tony Corkett. To judge the strength of the team, Nigel Povah is now a postal GM, rated among the world top twenty, while the bottom three are all experienced postal players with over-the-board grades around 200.

Other than the 1986 side, the only other players to feature have been Andy Muir, John Branford, Roger Emerson, Dave Massie, Robin Haldane, Alan Westwood, Phil Trussler and Chris Holland.

Although Colin McNab and Alan Norris never lived in South London, they first got involved with the club in 1982 when they were down in London for tournaments. Alan was then just starting to play postal chess and joined the S&B B team, progressing to the A team in 1984. Colin, who had appeared in an OTB match for the club, was thinking of starting postal chess in 1986, so offered his services to the team when Andy Muir dropped out.

In the same year, we decided to enter a team in the Scottish League. Although two of the Scottish club members - Tim Upton and Andy Muir - were unavailable, we were able to field a strong team of Colin McNab, Alan Norris, Simon Gillam, Robert Inglis and Mary Hay (soon to become Mary Inglis). This team encountered no problems in winning Divisions 3 and 2 in successive seasons, then went straight on to win Division 1 in 1988 with 8½/10.

In 1989, when Alan dropped out at short notice, the team captain was able to field an admirable reserve in Englishman Robin Haldane. Although Robin had been out of the BPCTC team for several seasons, he had shared in the early successes and his peak OTB form was shown by joint victory in the 1976 British Under-21 Championship.

What will the 1990s hold for S&B? In OTB play, although the club is likely to remain among the top ten in the country, it is hard to see them hitting another peak like 1985. But at postal chess, there is no reason for S&B domination to end. The core of the side over the last decade shows no sign of diminishing enthusiasm, while there is never any shortage of strong reserves waiting in the wings.



(Editor - now that Simon Gillam has set the ball rolling with his interesting article on his club, I would welcome articles on the origins etc of other teams participating in the Scottish CCA League)

FEDOR BOHATIRCHUK MEMORIAL

(by Philip Giulian)

Some time after the start of an ICCF World Master Class, I discovered that one of my opponents, Paul Spinath (Canada), was an active chess organiser. In fact with the amount of time he spends on chess, I am surprised he has time for anything else! Now Paul had decided to turn his hand to organising an international correspondence tournament and started to sound people out over its viability. Was I interested in playing? I was delighted to accept.

It did not take Paul long to put a field together and with ICCF approval the IM score was fixed at 8/14. The only problem for me was that the start date was brought forward to December 1989, but the tournament seemed too good to miss. The players look remarkably uniform in standard. Highest rated is Roger Chapman (2485) and the lowest, Ross Siemms, is only 130 points less. Paul Spinath is playing and he is the only one I have played before (we drew our Master Class game), although I am playing Roger Chapman in the 'John Kellner'. The Fedor Bohatirchuk Memorial includes two Bulgarians but so far the stories of slow posts have proved unfounded and these games are proceeding satisfactorily.

All in all, it looks a very good and wide open event. It is entirely possible I could finish anywhere from first to last but my main target remains the IM score of 8/14.

Participants are: W. Groiss (Austria) 2410, Y. Gelemerov (Bulgaria) 2440, D. Gerassimov (Bulgaria) 2415, M. Heitmann (W. Germany) 2425, W. Tönnemann (W. Germany) 2435, S. Chouinard (Canada) 2445, R. Siemms (Canada) 2355, P. Spinath (Canada) 2360, W. Mathes (E. Germany) 2375, O. Eriksen (Denmark) 2390, J. Prats (Spain) 2370, P. Giulian (Scotland) 2395, W. Boom (Netherlands) 2455, R. Chapman (New Zealand) 2485, J. Pregal (Argentina) 2375.

JOHN KELLNER MEMORIAL INVITATION TOURNAMENT

(by Philip Giulian)

Organised by the Correspondence Chess League of Australia, this is the first event which has offered Scotland an "open" invitation. Alan Borwell had one personal invitation a few years ago but, apart from this, Douglas Bryson has been the only Scot in demand abroad. So the SCCA is particularly grateful to the organiser, Ted Lord, for offering us two places in the John Kellner.

When setting up international events it is usual to try to obtain as strong a field as possible but, not content with this, Ted decided to run two sections. It is a reflection of his hard work and dedication that he has managed to assemble such strong fields.

I am playing in Section A which is slightly stronger. Two Americans, C. Bill Jones and J. De Mauro are rated over 2500, while five others are over 2400. The strength of the section can be gauged by the fact that the lowest rated non-Australian is Claude Pare (Canada) at 2395. Only Kevin Harrison of the Australians has an ICCF rating but Ted Lord speaks highly of these players. Proof of strength can also be seen from the performances of Kevin Harrison who is currently playing in the World 3/4-Final, and Guy West, the current Australian champion, has represented Australia in over-the-board Olympiads. Unfortunately, the lack of gradings of four of the Australians has pushed the IM norm up to 8½/14.

Section B, in which Simon Gillam is playing, is slightly weaker, with Michael Prizant (England) the highest rated at 2535. Six others are over 2400 with two just below this figure. Of the others, S. James Henri (Australia) is already a ½-IM, whilst Mark Noble (New Zealand), the lowest rated, is a rapidly improving player. Even the unrated player, P. Dewar, appears to be strong as he has gone from rank beginner to Master Class in just five years. In this section, the IM norm is 9/14.

Section A

M J Read (England) 2440, P Stiggar (Norway) 2475, C Bill Jones (USA) 2555, D W Lovejoy (Australia) 2240, A Prystenski (Canada) 2405, G West (Australia) (2200), P M Giulian (Scotland) 2395, R Wikman (Finland) 2385, J-G Estiot (Australia) (2200), G Peli (Israel) 2460, J De Mauro (USA) 2540, K J Harrison (Australia) 2330, V Pedersen (Australia) (2200), R Chapman (New Zealand) 2485, C Pare (Canada) 2395

Section B

B K D Dehmelt (USA) 2450, A Hariman (Australia) 2200, H F Glaser (Singapore) 2435, S Chouinard (Canada) 2445, S J Henri (Australia) 2355, M Prizant (England) 2535, E Flacker (W. Germany) 2435, M Ebeling (Finland) 2460, P Dewar (Australia) (2200), S R Gillam (Scotland) 2395, M F Noble (New Zealand) 2280, G Mettyear (Australia) (2200), A M Levine (USA) 2390, J N Kolenbrander (Netherlands) 2420, H J Lassen (Denmark) 2490.



ICCF THEMATIC TOURNAMENTS

Tournaments for sections of 5-7 players, two games against each opponent. The top two players qualify for each final. The entry fee is £3.50 per group (payable to BPCF) to be sent to: **Mr. A.M. Anderson, 3 Winterfield Gardens, Duns, Berwickshire, TD11 3EZ.**

TT 6/90 ENGLISH

1 c4 e5 2 Nc3 Nf6 3 g3 g6
4 Bg2 Bg7 5 d3 d6 6 Nf3 Nc6
7 0-0 0-0

Entries close 1/7/90
Start 1/10/90

TT 8/90 - SICILIAN NAJDORF

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cxd4
4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 a6 6 Be3 e6
7 Qd2 b5 8 f3 Bb7 9 g4

Entries close 15/9/90
Start 1/12/90

TT 7/90 - KINGS INDIAN

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 Bg7
4 e4 d6 5 Nf3 0-0 6 Be2 e5
7 0-0 Nc6

Entries close 15/8/90
Start 15/11/90

TT 1/91 KINGS GAMBIT

1 e4 e5 2 f4 exf4 3 Nf3 g5
4 h4 g4 5 Ne5

Entries close 1/10/90
Start 5/1/91

INTERNATIONAL REPORT

(by Philip Giulian)

Three Scots, Ken McAlpine, Andrew Muir and Mary Inglis, have scored IM norms. Remarkably all three have scored their norms whilst being ungraded! Ken McAlpine and Andrew Muir won their final games in the European Town Teams Tournament and finished with 7½/10. For Ken this was his second norm, sufficient to give him the International Master title. Clearly it is a magnificent performance by Ken to secure the title whilst being ungraded but unfortunately it has its disadvantages. Nowadays norms in tournaments are decided by the average grade of the participants and without a grade there appears to be no way that Ken will get the invitations to pursue the Grandmaster title. Andrew Muir looks likely to find himself in a similar position as he seems certain to get his second IM norm in the European Team Championship. *[Editor: According to the ICCF Rating Commissioner's letter published later in this magazine, Ken McAlpine should appear in this year's ICCF rating list, providing the results were achieved by 31/12/89 and reported by the tournament organiser.]*

Mary Inglis scored Scotland's first woman's IM norm on Board 1 of the Ladies Olympiad. This was Mary's first international event and to score 4½/7 against such strong opposition was an excellent performance. Unfortunately the dearth of Ladies International tournaments probably means that she will have to wait some time for the chance of a second norm and the title. On Board 3, Alison McLure has 3/5 and needs to win her two remaining games to score the IM norm. On Board 2, Elaine Hartford has 1½/6, whilst on Board 4 Morag McGhee has 2½/6.

The European Town Teams is nearing completion although amazingly we have still not heard whether or not it has already finished! The scores of 7½/10 by Ken McAlpine and Andrew Muir, were equalled on Board 1 by Douglas Bryson. The only thing keeping our victory in doubt is my own poor performance on Board 4, although ironically it looks like my wins will secure first place for the Glasgow team. With the other three finished, I had two games left. I won one of these and seem certain to win the other, making it virtually impossible for us to be caught.

Scotland is organising an international event to celebrate ten years of the SCCA Magazine. There will be two sections, each with 15 players, starting probably June 1st. International Master norms will be available and these are likely to require 7½/14 points in Section A and 9½/14 points in Section B. The following players have agreed to play:

Section A (15 players of average grade 2430 - Category VIII)
David Jenkins (Scotland) 2385, David Kilgour (Scotland) 2410, Philip Giulian (Scotland) 2395, Alan Borwell (Scotland) 2295, Cliff Chandler (England) 2445, Richard Callaghan (USA) 2500, Jens Hartung-Nielsen (Denmark) 2495, Odd Rennemo (Norway) 2425, Arthur Prystenski (Canada) 2405, Ferenc Fabri (Hungary) 2515, Ragnar Wikman (Finland) 2385, Jon Kristinsson (Iceland) 2430, Manfred Bauer (West Germany) 2415, Guido den Broeder (Netherlands) 2440, T de Ruiter (Netherlands) 2505,

Section B (15 players of average grade 2333 - Category IV)
Brian Martin (Scotland) 2320, Iain Campbell (Scotland) 2310, Tommy Craig (Scotland) 2290, Richard Beecham (Scotland) 2280, George Pyrich (Scotland) 2225, Aksel Ros (Denmark) 2395, Ted Greiner (USA) 2375, Sven Teichmeister (Austria) 2395, L.R.B. Patterson (Canada) 2290, Antti Nokso Koivisto (Finland) 2385, Bjorn Karlsson (Iceland) 2375, Kari Koistinen (Finland) 2360, Jozsef Vándorffy (Hungary) 2415, Gerhard Rickers (West Germany) 2375 and one Australian nominee (2200).

Results:

European (Scotland 15½/25)

Bd 1	A J Muir	1 v Austria
	A J Muir	1 v Denmark
	A J Muir	½ v Sweden
Bd 3	S R Gillam	½ v Ireland
Bd 7	D H Dempster	0 v Spain
Bd 8	B J Martin	½ v Denmark
	B J Martin	½ v Austria
Bd 9	A J Shaw	½ v Sweden
Bd 10	G W G Livie	1 v Ireland
	G W G Livie	1 v Bulgaria
	G W G Livie	½ v Denmark
	G W G Livie	½ v Austria
Bd 12	G R Spratt	1 v Ireland

Ladies Olympiad (Scotland 11½/24)

Bd 1	Mrs M Inglis	0	v	USSR
	Mrs M Inglis	1	v	Poland
Bd 2	Mrs EA Hartford	0	v	Poland
	Mrs EA Hartford	0	v	Finland
	Mrs EA Hartford	0	v	W. Germany
Bd 3	Miss A McLure	½	v	Iceland
Bd 4	Mrs M McGhee	1	v	Finland
	Mrs M McGhee	0	v	USSR
	Mrs M McGhee	½	v	Iceland
	Mrs M McGhee	0	v	W. Germany
	Mrs M McGhee	0	v	Austria

Scotland (6½) v Italy (18½) Scotland (9) v Argentina (4)

Bd 1	S R Gillam	1		Bd 1	S R Gillam	½	
Bd 10	M McGhee	1	0	Bd 3	G W G Livie	1	1
Bd 11	I Marshall	0	0				

Scotland (7) v Ukraine (14)

Bd 10	I A Marks	1	1
Bd 15	A Hind	½	½

Scotland (14) v Australia (16)

Bd 1	G D Pyrich	½	0	Bd 10	I Mackintosh	0	0
Bd 3	T J Craig	1		Bd 11	M Macleod	1	
Bd 6	A T Hislop	½	½	Bd 16	Mrs M Inglis	1	1
Bd 8	I Marshall	½	½	Bd 24	B Goodwin	1	1
Bd 9	RJP Kynoch	0	0	Bd 25	F R Ross	0	0

Scotland (7) v USA (19)

Bd 3	A P Borwell	1	1	Bd 12	D Savage	0	0
Bd 6	J Seyfried	1	0	Bd 13	I Mackintosh	0	0
Bd 9	Mrs R Giulian	0					



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OLYMPIAD REPORT

(by Philip Giulian)

Scotland's challenge for a place in the Olympiad Final is beginning to falter. Since the last issue of our magazine, there have been no Scottish results and so our score remains 19½/30, a very healthy 65%. However, a check on the current positions in the rest of the games suggests that we can only expect another 12 points, which would give us a final score of 31½/54. This would take us below 60% and leave us struggling to fill one of the top two spots.

Unfortunately, at the same time as we have been slipping, our main rivals Czechoslovakia and Hungary have been notching up the points. The Czechs currently lead our section with a massive 73%, while the Hungarians are level with Scotland in second place on 65%. Despite this, there are two factors which should give us encouragement. Firstly, there have been no results between Czechoslovakia and Hungary. Secondly, should either of these countries finish in the top four of the current Olympiad Final, then the third placed team in our section will also qualify. In addition, we can always hope Scotland will obtain more points than looks likely at present!

EUROPEAN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

(by Philip Giulian)

Although it is early days yet, it is clear that Scotland are on course for an excellent score. So far we have 15½/25 which is 62%. Leading the way on Board 1 is Andrew Muir, fresh from his success in the European Town Teams, which gave him his first IM norm. With a score of 3½/4 and other favourable positions, it will be a major disappointment if Andrew does not secure the International Master title in this event.

Two other players, Brian Martin and George Livie, also deserve special mention at this stage. Both have started with two wins and two draws. I hope I am not tempting fate but with each player only having eight games altogether, both Brian and George must have chances of the IM norm.

C C OLYMPIAD XI PRELIMINARIES

(Section 2)

1 CZECHOSLOVAKIA		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	A LANC WIM 2430		1	1/2				1/2			
2	J AMBROZ -			1/2			1			1	
3	M WBNER IM 2435			1			1			1/2	
4	R MACHALA 2380			1			1/2		1/2		
5	J KOLIN 2335						1	1/2		1/2	
6	P NISKOVSKY 2480						1/2				

2 BELGIUM		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	A VAN OSMAEL WIM 2530	0					1/2	0		1/2	
2	J ROOSE 2330			1/2			0	0	1/2	0	
3	E VAN LHEUVEN 2140			1		1	1/2	1/2	1	1	0
4	D WYNS -			1					1/2		
5	V LEROY 2265					0	1/2	1	0	1/2	
6	H VREN -						1		0	0	

3 SINGAPORE		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	H F GLASER 2380	1/2					1/2	0	1/2	0	
2	A CHIA -	1/2	1/2								
3	K-S TEO -	0	0		0	1/2		1/2	0	0	0
4	C-V LEONG -	0	0		1/2	0	0	1	1/2	1/2	0
5	M-Y WONG -				0	1/2				0	
6	B TEO -					0	1	0		0	

4 ARGENTINA		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	J S MORGADO GN 2475										1/2
2	B MARCUSSI IM 2470			1			0			0	
3	P BUJ IM 2445							0			
4	R A REDOLFI IM 2385			1/2							
5	A LAURENCENA 2405								0		1/2
6	C G PAPIER IM 2315								0		

5 PORTUGAL		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	F SILVA WIM 2280						1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
2	R SILVA PEREIRA WIM -			1/2			1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	
3	H NETO WIM -			0	1					0	1
4	J D DE SOUSA -				1			1	1/2	1	
5	A OLIVEIRA WIM -			1	1			1	1/2	1/2	1/2
6	C QUARESMA -	1/2					0				

6 FINLAND		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	T PERMAN WIM 2355		1/2	1/2		1/2				0	
2	H SABEL 2395	0	1		1	1/2			1/2	0	0
3	K TANNI -	0	1/2	1					1/2	1/2	1
4	S SJÖMAN 2420	1/2		1					1/2	0	
5	K KAUNONEN IM 2465	0	1/2	1/2		0				1/2	1/2
6	R VIKMAN IM 2405		0	1		1				0	1/2

7 BRAZIL		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	O FRAGA PORTILHO 2355	1/2	1	1		1/2				0	
2	S HONCE DE CRESCEN -			1	1/2	1/2					
3	N SILOS BIAVA WIM 2440			1/2	1	1		1/2		1/2	0
4	A PACINI WIM 2360				0	0	1/2			1/2	
5	O ALCANTARA SOARES 2350	1/2	0			1/2				1/2	1/2
6	P A QUENEZ BRIO -				0						

8 NORWAY		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	T STRAND WIM 2370			1/2		1/2				1/2	
2	K V STRAND IM 2445			1/2	1		1/2	1/2		0	
3	F LARSEN 2325			0	1/2			1/2	1/2	1/2	
4	P STIGAR -	1/2	1/2	1/2		1/2	1	1/2		1	1/2
5	Ø HJERTHES -			1		1	1/2	1/2	1/2		1/2
6	Ø BREKKE -			1	1						

9 SCOTLAND		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	D N BRYSON GN 2565		1/2	1		1/2	1		1/2		
2	C A McNAB (FIDE) IM(2435)	0	1	1	1	1/2	1		1		
3	A J NORRIS/R.P. BORNWELL	1/2	0	1		1	0	1	1/2		1/2
4	T S VICKENS WIM 2470			1/2		0			0		
5	P H GIULIAN 2370	1/2	1/2	1		1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2		1/2
6	A KILGOUR 2365		1				1				

10 HUNGARY		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	S BRILLA-BANFALVI GN 2545				1/2						
2	J FÖLDI IM 2450			1			1				
3	F FABRI 2550		1			0			1/2		1/2
4	I MULLNER 2345			1					1/2		
5	I FLORIAN 2415				1/2	1/2					1/2
6	I FODOR WIM 2195			1			1/2				

IV EUROPEAN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP PRELIMINARIES

BOARD 1 - A J MUIR

De Bu Sc Po Sw CS Sp Ir Au

	De	Bu	Sc	Po	Sw	CS	Sp	Ir	Au
Den Sorensen, B 2575	•		○		○				1/2
Bul Kostadinov, K 2445		•				○			
Sco Muir, A J (2225)F	1		•	1	1/2				1
Por Ferreira, A M A (2300)F			○	•					
Swe Carlsson, I 2455	1		1/2		•	1/2			
CS Bulla, Dr J 2435		1			1/2	•			
Spa Lanz Calavia, J M 2355 M							•		
Ire Ludgate, A T 2465								•	
Aus Fleischhanderl, F 2470	1/2		○						•

BOARD 2 - A P BORWELL

De Bu Sc Po Sw CS Sp Ir Au

	De	Bu	Sc	Po	Sw	CS	Sp	Ir	Au
Den Christensen, B 2555	•		1/2	1/2	○				
Bul Metchkarov, V 2200		•							
Sco Borwell, A P 2280	1/2		•					1/2	
Por Costa, F V L S 2200	1/2			•	○			1/2	○
Swe Lundholm, Dr S G 2450 M	1			1	•			1/2	
CS Krecmer, Ing M 2440						•			○
Spa Garriga Nualart, J 2570 M							•		
Ire Harding, T D 2270			1/2	1/2				•	1/2
Aus Teichmeister, Dr S 2395				1	1/2	1		1/2	•

BOARD 3 - S R GILLAM

De Bu Sc Po Sw CS Sp Ir Au

	De	Bu	Sc	Po	Sw	CS	Sp	Ir	Au
Den Lassen, H J 2495	•				1/2				
Bul Petrov, V (2270)F		•							
Sco Gillam, S R 2395			•					1/2	
Por Quaresma, L M T 2200				•					1
Swe Gustafsson, G 2405	1/2				•				
CS Kolin, J 2340						•			
Spa Padros Simon, A 2340							•		
Ire Gibson, J F 2395			1/2					•	
Aus Algmüller, Ing M 2360				○					•

BOARD 4 - D M JENKINS

De Bu Sc Po Sw CS Sp Ir Au

	De	Bu	Sc	Po	Sw	CS	Sp	Ir	Au
Den Sorensen, T 2450	•				1/2				1/2
Bul Sergiew, S 2310		•		○					
Sco Jenkins, D M 2385			•						1
Por Castro, F A P S 2200		1		•					
Swe Enterfeldt, L 2385	1/2				•				1
CS Machala, Dr R 2395						•			1
Spa Paredes Prats, J 2370							•		
Ire Griffin, J 2200			○					•	
Aus Hipfl, V 2350	1/2				○	○			•

BOARD 5 - G D PYRICH

De Bu Sc Po Sw CS Sp Ir Au

	De	Bu	Sc	Po	Sw	CS	Sp	Ir	Au
Den Jensen, IB V N 2440	•		1/2		1	1			1
Bul Kostakiev, D 2200		•							
Sco Pyrich, G D 2205	1/2		•	1/2	○				○
Por Cordiero, V L 2200			1/2	•					○
Swe Becker, J 2390	○		1		•				
CS Marecek, Ing M 2340	○					•			
Spa Bonay Toscas, S 2375							•		
Ire Montgomery, R 2345								•	
Aus Wenger, Dr K 2200	○		1	1					•

BOARD 6 - T J CRAIG

De Bu Sc Po Sw CS Sp Ir Au

	De	Bu	Sc	Po	Sw	CS	Sp	Ir	Au
Den Vefling, G 2430	•								1
Bul Parvanov, L 2300		•							
Sco Craig, T J 2290			•			1/2			
Por Palhares, P M B 2200				•					
Swe Nilsson, J 2200			1/2		•				1
CS Novotny, Ing J 2415						•			
Spa Ivanez Rico, F 2420							•		
Ire Brady, L E 2265	○							•	1/2
Aus Koller, H 2200					○			1/2	•

continued

BOARD 7 D H DEMPSTER

De Bu Sc Po Sw CS Sp Ir Au

Den	Sogaard, O	2440	•						1	1/2	
Bul	Kossatschki, V	2270		•							
Sco	Dempster, D H	2135			•			o			
Por	Demetrio, A E R	2200				•					
Swe	Friberg, H	(2265)F					•				
CS	Rosenzweig, V	2365						•			
Spa	Montecatine Rios, R	2390			1				•		
Ire	Thomson, A	2200	o							•	
Aus	Strauss, Prof A	2200	1/2								•

BOARD 8 - B J MARTIN

De Bu Sc Po Sw CS Sp Ir Au

Den	Berggreen, A J	2400 M	•		1/2						1/2
Bul	Minkov, I	2200		•							
Sco	Martin, B.J.	2290	1/2		•	1			1	1/2	
Por	Flores, J M S	2200				•					
Swe	Erlandsson, C-E	2310			o		•				
CS	Lizan, Ing L	2380						•			
Spa	Bernal Caamano, J	2200							•		
Ire	Killane, J	2200			o					•	
Aus	Steinwender, W	2200	1/2		1/2						•

BOARD 9 - A J SHAW

De Bu Sc Po Sw CS Sp Ir Au

Den	Nielsen, M	2395	•				o		1/2	1	o
Bul	Atanasov, B P	2425		•							
Sco	Shaw, A J	2200			•		1/2				1/2
Por	Morais, V M	2200				•				1	
Swe	Rydholm, L	2215	1		1/2		•				
CS	Stodola, J	2200						•		1	
Spa	Casares Ripoll, F	2200	1/2						•		
Ire	Gallacher, B	2200	o			o		o		•	
Aus	Roth, P	2300	1		1/2						•

BOARD 10 G W G LIVIE

De Bu Sc Po Sw CS Sp Ir Au

Den	Petersen, S	2345	•		1/2		1				1/2
Bul	Tschankov, T	2200		•	o						
Sco	Livie, G W G	2200	1/2	1	•					1	1/2
Por	Costa, L M C M	2200				•					
Swe	Seger, G	2295	o				•				
CS	Hadraba, Ing V	2420						•			
Spa	Gude Fernandez, A	2420							•		
Ire	Humphrys, F J	2200			o					•	
Aus	Vodep, O	2280	1/2		1/2						•

BOARD 11 - J SEYFRIED

De Bu Sc Po Sw CS Sp Ir Au

Den	Kleiminger, P	2200	•				o				1/2
Bul	Tenev, T	2200		•							
Sco	Seyfried, J	2200			•						
Por	Pinto, N M F B	2200				•					
Swe	All, V	2400	1				•				
CS	Necesany, Z	2320						•			
Spa	Gil Matilla, C	2200							•		
Ire	Shaw, J	2200								•	
Aus	Tarnowiecky, Dr H	2340	1/2								•

BOARD 12 - G R SPROTT

De Bu Sc Po Sw CS Sp Ir Au

Den	Danstrup, N	2535	•								1/2
Bul	Mintchev, V	(2230)F		•		1					
Sco	Sprott, G R	2200			•					1	
Por	Fonseca, A V V	2200		o		•					1/2
Swe	Olsson, S	2200					•		1/2		1
CS	Malac, M	2200						•			
Spa	Guillen Marco, J	2200					1/2		•		
Ire	Shouldice, A	2200			o					•	
Aus	Urban, Prof F	2290	1/2		1/2	o					•

READERS' LETTER

ICCF Rating Commissioner, Nol van 't Riet, has responded to Andrew Muir's letter (published in edition 32), as follows:

"On page 70 of your volume of December 1989 I read a suggestion of Mr. Muir about the ratings of ICCF titleholders. First I like to put right some details: the IM and the GM title can both be obtained in 14 games (in one or two tournaments).

To get a rating one has to have played at least 20 rateable games, or one has to have an ICCF title. Article 40 of the Rules of Play says, "Titled players have a fixed rating in any case". So Mr. Muir's suggestion is out of order, as we have already solved his problem in the best possible way."

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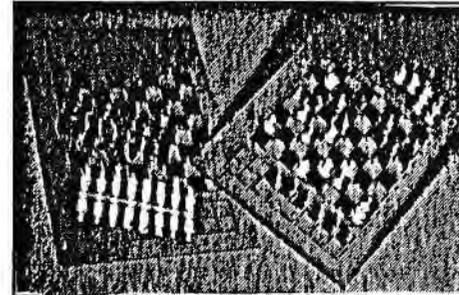
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- A** 1 Bxg7+! Bxg7 2 Rxg7 h6
(if 2 ... Kxg7 3 Qg3+
Kh8 4 Rg1 Rg8 5 Qxe5+
etc) 3 Qh5! 1:0
Schletka-Antonov, CC 1977
- B** 1 Nxc6! 1:0
If 1 ... hxg6 2 Bd8!
Malinin-Skotorenko, USSR
CC.
- C** 1 Rd1 Qf6 2 Rc7! 1:0
Kofidis-Dr Stern, World
CC ½-Final 1985-87
- D** 1 Rxe6! Rxe6 2 Bd5 1:0
Because of the exchanging
down to the bishop
ending ie. 2 ... Re8
3 Rxe6 Rxe6 4 Qe2 Qd7 5
Ba5! and wins.
Popov-Yablonsky, III
USSR CC
- E** 1 Qe7!! 1:0
If 1 ... Qxe7 2 dxe7 Kb8
3 Bxe4 Kc7 4 Bxh7 Kd7
5 Bd3! with a winning
advantage, or 1 ... Bc6
2 Bxe4 wins.
G Estevez-R Perez, CC
1988
- F** 1 Rd8+ Kh7 2 Rh8+! 1:0
White mates in two.
Brignones-Jouauet,
French CC 1988-89

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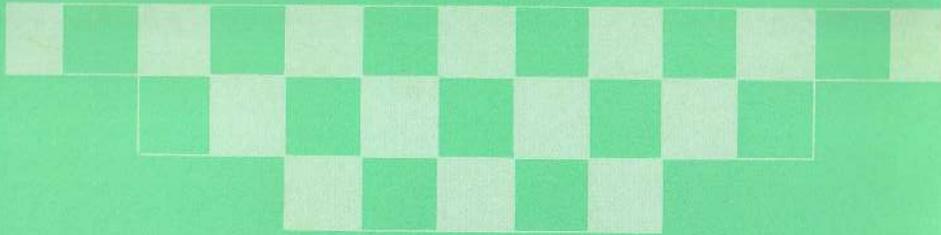
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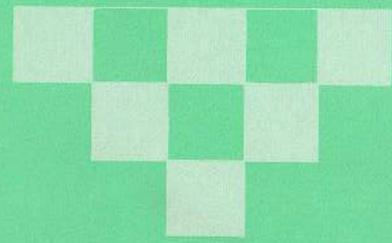
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