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EDITORIAL

December 1990

(by Alan Borwell)

We were very disappointed at not being able to publish this edition for the festive season but we hope our members were able to find plenty of other suitable reading material for their holiday leisure hours!

The regular 4-monthly production of our enlarged magazine sometimes conflicts with business and domestic priorities but we do try to ensure that it arrives on schedule. For 1991 the planned publication months will be June, September and December.

You will see from Alan Hind's Secretarial Notes on the next page that all competitions for the new season are now well underway. I think we should all record our appreciation to Alan for his tremendous efforts in finalising last season's tournaments and setting up the new ones, as well as arranging a move of house and attending to his family responsibilities. Special thanks are also due to Phil Giulian for his various contributions to this edition, as well as setting up our new International Tournaments (see page 47).

Finally, we send best wishes to all our readers at home and abroad for a very happy and successful New Year in 1991!

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SECRETARIAL NOTES (by Alan Hind)

All of last season's results are now in (with the exception of the Openings Sections which play to a conclusion) and the crosstables are given in this issue. All of the new season tournaments have started with membership at around the same level as last year.

My thanks to everyone who helped out last year by controlling and getting all of the results and adjudications to me in record time - this has helped get things turned around quicker this year than at any time in the past! very grateful to all of you with a conscience who read the Secretarial Notes. I was overwhelmed by the response to my plea for assistance and we now have sufficient Controllers in place for the new season to cover all of the individual tournaments and one for each League. In fact, we have even got extra to cover any new Opens which are due to start in 1991. To all of those who offered to help - thanks and best wishes. Providing players follow the rules and play fairly there should be no problems. My only request for this issue is that competitors do not assume that sending off a move and getting no reply allows them to claim the game. Controller must be notified and the move must be repeated by recorded delivery. This is not a guarantee against play breaking down but it is the best endeavour to keep it going.

Another point to mention to you by way of news is that Colin Macgregor has kindly volunteered to take on the position of Assistant International Secretary and we wish him well in that post. He will be responsible for all new friendly internationals starting this season.

All readers please note that I am moving house! Do not try to phone me at my old number or the new occupants are going to get a bit miffed. My new address and phone number with effect from 3rd December 1990 is:

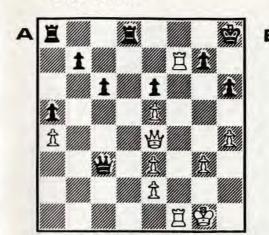
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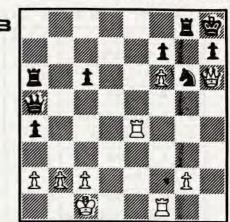
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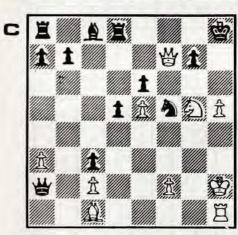
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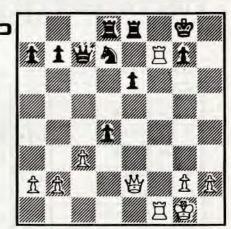
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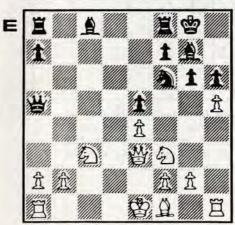
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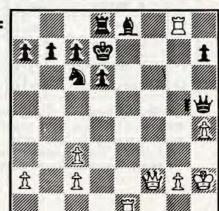












roller: A Maxwell

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2	G H BIRD	0	•	0	0	0	1/2	1	0	1/2	1/2	21/2	١
3	M T DYER	1	1	•	1/2	0	1/2	1	0	1/2	1/2	5	١
4	R KILPATRICK	0	1	1/2	•	1	1	1	1/2	0	1/2	51/2	1
5	G D PYRICH	1	1	1	0		1/2	1	1/2	1/2	1/2	6	l.
6	I RBBMAN	1	1/2	1/2	0	1/2		1	1/2	1/2	1/2	5	١
7	N ROSS	0	0	0	0	0	0	•	0	0	0	0	ŀ
8	G R SPROTT	1/2	1	1	1/2	1/2	1/2	1		1/2	1	61/2	١
9	JAB STEVENSON	1	1/2	1/2	1	1/2	1/2	1	1/2		1/2	6	١
10	G B WALLWORK	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	1	0	1/2	•	41/2	١

CANDIDATES 88-90

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2	R DICKSON	0		1/2	0	0	1/2	0	0	0	1/2	1	21/2	
3	K FRYBR	0	1/2	•	0	1	1	1	1/2	0	1/2	1	51/2	1
4	S GOVLAND	1	1	T	•	1	1	1/2	1/2	0	1	1	8	1
5	D HARVEY	0	ī	0	0	•	1/2	1	T	0	1/2	1	5	1
6	J M HERRIBS	0	1/2	0	0	1/2	•	1/2	1/2	1/2	1/2	0	3	1
7	I A MARKS	0	ī	0	1/2	0	1/2	•	0	0	1	1	4	1
8	и мевати	0	1	1/2	1/2	0	1/2	1	•	1/2	1	ī	6	
9	P NGGOVAN	1	1	1	1	1	1/2	1	1/2		1	1	9	1
10	J V MCINTYRE	1/2	1/2	1/2	0	1/2	1/2	0	0	0	•	0	21/2	
11	A TANKBL	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	•	2	1

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

-91 Controller: A Maxwell

To.			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Pts
1	A K	ILPATRICK	•			11						Y. 7 p
2	G D	PYRICH		•		0		0	1/2	1/2	0	
3	JA	B STEVENSON			•	1/2			1/2		1	
4	M J	MOOHAN		1	1/2	•		()	0			
5	D H	ARVEY				7	•		0	0		
6	1 8	CAMPBBLL		1			Ġ.	•	0			- 3
7	C F	BOYLE		1/2	1/2	1	1	1	•		1/2	
8	T J	CRAIG		1/2			1			•	1/2	
9	A T	HISLOP		1	0				1/2	1/2	•	-

CANDIDATES 89-91

Controller: A Hind

lo.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Pts
1 N DOWN		1	1			1	- 1	-	1/2	
2 S GOVLAND	0	•		1/2			0	0	0	
3 S L CLARK	0		•	0		1	1		0	
4 M McBETH		1/2	1	•	1/2	1	1/2	1/2	1/2	
5 M COOPER		1	Ĭ.	1/2	•	1	1/2		1/2	
6 D A GIBB	0		0	0	0	•	0	1/2	0	
7 I A MARKS		1	0	1/2	1/2	1	•	1/2	1/2	
8 I AIRD	0	1		1/2		1/2	1/2	•	0	
9 T THOMSON	1/2	1	1	1/2	1/2	1	1/2	1	•	6

PREMIER TOURNAMENTS

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

	Α	1	2	3	4	5	6	PLS
1	RA GIULIAN		oχ	11	00	10	00	3
2	H HITCHELL	11/2		11	7.8	11	dl_2	7
3	RJ BURRIDGE	00	00		14	01/2	ho	2
4	B 6000VIN	11	1/2	44		40	00	4/2
5	JM HERRIES	1/21	00	11/2	7,1		00	41/2
6	WH COOK	11	1%	141	11	11	•	9

В	- 1	2	3	4	5	6	Pts
I NR HCEVAN		0%	1/1/	00	11	00	31/2
2 JS CAIRNEY	11/2		44	1/4	11	1/1/2	6/2
3 SR HITCHEL	L 7.1/2	14		00	11	1/20	4/12
4 AVI CAMPBE	LL II	1/2/	11	•	11	11	9
5 6 REID	00	00	00	00		00	0
6 KD ANDERSO	N 11	111	1/1	00	II		61,

	C	1	2	3	4	5	6	Pts
1	A WRIGHT		01/2	00	11	00	to	31/1
2	T THOMSON	11/2	•	11	1/21	172	11/2	8
3	RS MONTGOMERY	11	00		10	00	11	5
4	K SEYFRIED	00	to	10		00	11	31/2
5	V HULME	11	0%	11	11		11	81/2
6	JRG LINKLATER	01	0%	00	00	00	•	1/2

D	. 1	2	3	4	5	6	Pts
1 J CASSIDY		00	14.1	10	0%	11	442
2 RF TURNER	n	•	14.	11	0	11	7
3 AD KILGARIFF	1/1/2	17.		11	0	11	6
4 P FERRY	01	00	00		0	11	3
5 CC HCKAY	1/2	11	11	11	•	11	91/2
6 R BIRRELL	00	80	00	80	00	•	0

Pts MAJOR TOURNAMENTS O 7/2 Controller: Sections A/B : C A Hacgregor

Sections C/D ; 6 V 6 Livie

	A	1	2	3	4	5	Pts
1	H MCKEAN		00	11	00	00	2
2	DR CUMMING	11	•	11	1/20	11/2	6
3	DV GIBBS	00	00		00	00	0
4	P McCONNELL	11	1/21	u		11/2	7
5	W HARPER	11	0/1	11	01/2	•	5

	В	1	2	3	4	5	Pts
1	D COSGROVE		10	10	11	10	5
2	A ARMSTRONG	01		01/2	10	40	3
3	RG EBDON	01	1/2	•	1/20	1/1	41/2
4	KJ GROSE	00	01	11/2	•	1/20	3
5	PJ MOIR	01	1/21	1/20	01/2		31/2

C	1	2	3	4	5	Pts
1 F ANDRES		00	00	00	00	0
2 B MILLIGAN	11	•	1/20	00	00	21/2
3 J TAYLOR	11	1/21		00	00	31/2
4 SG MACKENZI	EII	11	11		01/2	61/2
4 SG MACKENZI 5 TN TALBOT	11	11	11	11/2	•	71/2

	D	1	2	3	4	5	Pts
1	F HALL			00	11	01/2	4/2
2	CA NACGREGOR	00	•	00	01	00	1
3	MH DUNN	11	11		11	01	7
4	ME CROASDALE	00	01	00	•	00	1
5	DV PENMAN	11/2	11	10	11	•	6/2

QUARTETS 1989-90

(Controller - Ian W S Mitchell)

	POSTAL KNIGHT					Pts	P	STA	L SHIBLE		2	3	4	Pts
1	R STOKES		1/4	11/2	11	41/2	1	N A	DOVE		11	11	11	6
2	A G B BIRD	1/2/2		01/2	1/21/2	21/2	2 .	I AN	DERSON	00		11/2	01	21/2
3	R STOKES A G B BIRD D SALTER R J BURRIDGE	01/2	11/2	•	11	4	3 /	N VR	1GHT	00	01/2		11	21/2
4	R J BURRIDGE	00	1/1/1	00			4	I Mc	MORRAN	00	10	00	•	I

Q141	1	2	3	4	Pte		1	2	3	4	Pts
I R BEACON		00	1/21/2	11	3	1 II MCKEAN		11	00	00	2
2 M H DUNN	11		01/2	1/2	4	2 D G PARSONS					0
3 C C MCKAY	1/21/2	1/2		11	41/2	3 J PARKER	11	11		11/2	51/2
4 D SALTER	00	1/20	00		1/2	4 D SALTER	11	11	oh		412

	Q143	1	2	3	4	Pts		144	1	2	3	4	Pts
1 R	BEACON		01/2	10	11/2	3	V	CAMERON		00	00	00	0
	G JOHNSTON	11/2		11	11/2	5	K	GORDON	11		1/20	11	4/2
3 M	F PEARCE	10	00		1/2/12	2	T	MASON	III	11/2		1/2/12	41/2
4 T	# TALBOT	01/2	oh	1/2/2	•	2	J	R PARKER	11	00	1/21/2	•	3

			145	1	2	3	4	Pts		Q	146	1	2	3	4	Pts
1	H	MI	TCHELL	•	11	1/21	11	51/2	1	A	MacKAY		1/21/2	0/2	-	11/2
2	J	S	CAIRNEY	00	•	1/2/2	00		2	R	A BAILEY	14.12		11	-	3
3	S	R	CAPSEY	1/20	1/21/2		11	31/2	3	D	R CUMMING	1/21	00		+	11/2
4	D	G	MCROBERTS	00	11	00	•	2	4	D	R CUMMING McGARVA	~	-	-		WD

_		Q147	1	2	3		Pte	Q148 1 2 3	4 P	
1	H	MCKEAN	•	01	00	1/21	21/2	DRRELLIS . 01 01	11 4	-
2	P	J JACKSON	10	•	00	01	2	N D HOOD 10 0 11	01 4	+
3	J	G BLENCOVE	11	11		1/2/12	5	C DONKIN 10 00 0	0'k 1'	1/2
4	K	J GROSE	1/20	10	1/2/2	•	21/2	A ARMSTRONG OO OI 11/2	. 2	1/2

Q149	1	2	3	4	Pts		Q15	D	1	2	3	4	Pts
1 R O'BRIEN		01	01	-	2	1	RJ	BURRIDGE		00	10	00	1/2
2 A WRIGHT	10		01/2	3	11/2	2	IA	MARKS	11		00	11	4
3 S M YOUNG	10	11/2		-	21/2	3	R DO	OVSON	11/2	II		11/2	5
4 D McGARVA	_	-	-	•	40	4	S V	OVSON Hitelock	11	00	01/2		242

OPENINGS TOURNAMENTS (by Alan Hind)

Section OT1	(Sici				200	Pos
1 D V G1bbs		00	00	00	0	4
2 S M Young					5	13
3 M A Ellis	11	00		00	2	3
4 T N Talbot	11	14/	11		5	1:

S		tie	מכ	OT2					Pos
1	J	Ca	159	sidy		10	0		
2	N	R	M	Ewan	01	•	44	2	
3	P	Mo	cCo	onnell	1	Y242	•		
0	-	MC	-	Juner	ų.	1212	•	_	_

Section OT3 (Pirc - Modern)

30		4	3	4	Э	rts	ros
1 J Cassidy		11	11	721	00	5/2	
2 M A Ellis	00		11	0	00		
3 G Reid						0	WID
4 M T Dyer	10	1			00		
5 J G Blencowe	11	11	11	11		8	

Entries to Quartets can be made at any time to Alan Hind. New sections will be formed when there are four new players awaiting pairings.

HANDICAP TOURNAMENT

Prizewinners for last season were: D. Cumming, R. Beacon, D. Salter, R. Ebdon and M. Dunn. Congratulations to them and they should have received their prizes. Promotions were:

to Class 1: J P Jack, D Salter, R Beacon, P McGowan

to Class 2: K Anderson, S Young

to Class 3: A Armstrong, D Cumming

to Class 4: R Ebdon, M Mitchell

to Class 5: M Pearce, R Pells, B Milligan

Would all players please add their Membership Number when reporting results to the Controller. [This is shown on address label for Magazine - Ed] This would speed up the task of the Grading Officer when the Controller can quote this number when reporting results to him.

Players in the Handicap please note that currently I use a special "Handicap Number" for my own records which is not your Membership Number, but I shall be changing over to using Membership Numbers in my chaotic system! The problem in the past has been the availability of up-to-date information on Membership Numbers, but this is now being rectified.

HANDICAP TOURNAMENT (by Allan Hislop)

The Handicap 1990-91 started at the end of November, with 26 players taking part and involving some 80 games. The table below shows the pairings for the new season.

Class 1	H/can Wo	Games Reqd	Pairings/Opponents H/cap No.
A Swann	152	5	188, 41, 112, 128, 197
R Beacon	188	2	
J P Jack	41	5	152, 41
G A Morton	112	2	152, 188, 175, 197, 176
G H HOI CON	112	2	152, 197
Class 2			
K Anderson	128	2	152, 213
S M Young	175	3	41, 197, 213
Class 3			
D R Cumming	197	8	152, 112, 175, 41, 176, 213, 207
A Armstrong	176	5	41, 197, 213, 207, 216
R Burridge	213	4	175, 176, 197, 128
Class 4			
R Ebdon	207	3	176, 216, 197
P McConnell	216	4	207, 76, 212, 193
Class 5	010		04.0
C Brimson	212	2	216, 193
J Cassidy	193	3+	216, 212, 206
B Milligan	206	6	193, 215, 192, 211, 214, 219
C MacGregor	215	1	206
M Pearce	192	2	206, 190
R Pells	190	3	192, 211, 214
Class 6			
G McMaster	211	2	206, 190
R Dowson	204	3	191, 217, 165
J Melvin	214	2	206, 190
A MacKay	219	1	206
H McKean	191	4	204, 217, 165, 218
J R Parker	217	2	204, 191
F Ross	165	4	204, 191, 218, 205
R T Stokes	218	3	191, 165, 205
T A H Taylor	205	2	218, 165
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SCOTTISH CCA LEAGUE 1989/90

DI	VISION 1					
	CROAAOOD .V.		6	B	STREATHAN & B	RIXTON 6
1	B Martin		v El	1	C A McNab	11 v D1
2	D Quinn/Joyl	e 11/2	v D2	2	S R Gillam	11 v C2
3	P Rodger	1/2/12		3	R A Inglis	00 v F3
4	V Hulme	11	v B4	4	Mrs M Inglis	00 V A4
5	A Maxwell	01/2	v F5	5	R Haldane	11 v E5
C	BLACK KNIGHT		4	D	THE ESTABLISH	MRDT 5
1	G R Sprott	10	v F1	1	T S Vickens	00 v B1
2	I S Campbell	00	v B2	2	C R Beecham	01/2 V A2
3	I Reeman		v A3	3		11 v E3
4	T Johnston		v E4	4	K Fryer	11 V F4
5	G Wood	1 1/2	v D5	5	A Hind	0 12 v C5
R	KIRKCALDY KI	IGS	31/2	P	PERTH CORRESP	ODDRUTS 51/2
1	G D Pyrich	144-09-5-6	v Al	1	A P Borwell	01 v C1
2	A Burnett	1212	v F2	2	D A G1bb	1212 v B2
3	l Marshall	00		3	W Rutherford	11 v B3
4			v C4	4	J Falconer	00 v D4
5	N C Grayson	00	v B5	5	P B Grant	11/2 V A5
	IVISION 2		524			
A	IRVINE		51/2	B	CATHCART	21/2
1	D Gillespie	1.1	v E1	1	A Grant	00 v D1
2	G McPeake	00	v D2	2	A T Hislop	01/2 v C2
	T Barrett	00		3	S Freed	0 v F3
4	J Shankland		v B4	4	J R G Linklat	
5	G King	11/2	v F5	5	D McRoberts	10 v E5
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Bad Blankenburg, East Germany by Alan Borwell

This year's Presidium was hosted by the Deutscher Schachverband of the DDR in the "Artur Becker" Sportschool, Bad Blankenburg in the Thüringen Forest area, from 8th to 16th September. This was an historic occasion as it was the last official event to be organised by the DDR Federation, prior to its disbandment on the re-unification of Germany. Even the excellent Sportschool was due to close immediately after the meetings until the future of such establishments could be determined. Participants were offered excursions to Weimar and Erfurt and a civic reception by the Burgermeister of Bad Blankenburg.

Regrettably, I was only able to attend for the business sessions this year which entailed travel via Edinburgh, Heathrow and Frankfurt, with a hire car for the onward journey of approx 200 miles to Bad Blankenburg. It was most interesting to travel from West to East Germany past the "eerie" but completely unmanned checkpoints on the old border - the only noticeable difference being a bumpier road surface and more basic ambience in the East.

The meeting was opened by ICCF President, Henk Mostert (Metherlands) who welcomed the 41 delegates from 21 different countries. He re-emphasised that ICCF is a non-political organisation but it did need to react to changes in the World. A modernising of ICCF Statutes might be considered to take account of changing requirements and also to respond to developments such as the transmission of moves by computer and fax equipment. Several Vice-Presidents and Office-Bearers would not be seeking re-election next year and some rejuvenation was needed to meet the needs of the future.

The General Secretary Paul Diaconescu (Rumania) reported that the Qatar Chess Federation had applied for membership and he had made contact with other federations which are not currently members of ICCF. The Tournament Director Ragnar Wikman (Finland) reported that the XIIth World CC Champion was G.K. Sanakoev (USSR) and the ICCF President congratulated the new World Champion and welcomed him to the Presidium. He also thanked the previous World Champion, Fritz Baumbach (DDR), who was also present during the meetings. Over 2300 entries had been received for the next World Cup VIII/IX Tournament which probably will begin on 1st November 1990. The winner of the IV World Cup was Albert Popov (USSR) and A.L. Parnas (USSR) has won the 30th European Championship.

The Qualifications Commission decided that a qualification for a World CC Semi-final would be valid for 10 years after the conclusion of the qualifying tournament. Qualifications for World 3/4 and Final should be used immediately but can be postponed only once with a good reason agreed by the Commission.

ICCF Title awards were made as follows:-

Correspondence Chess Grandmaster

E. Eichhorn (CH)	J. Ohlin (S)
A. Jensen (DK)	R. Skrobek (PL)
Cs. Meleghegyi (H)	M. Zeitlin (SU)

International Correspondence Chess Master

W. Antonow (SU)	K.B. McAlpine (GBS)
E. D'Adamo (I)	A.J. Muir (GBS)
T. Carlsson (S)	A. Parnas (SU)
N. Danskrup (DK)	M. Piuva (SF)
K. Dehmelt (US)	A.E. Popow (SU)
J. Delabie (B)	W. Pulkis (SU)
I. Fodor (H)	S. Räty (SF)
I. Goth (CS)	C. Rinaldi (AR)
J. Henri (AU)	A. Rotstein (SU)
C. Herbrechtsmeier (BRD)	R. Sitkus (SU)
P. Hertel (BRD)	N. Stull (L)
F. Hovde (N)	A.C. van der Heijden (NL)
I. Jensen (DK)	M. Venturino (I)
K. Josefsson (S)	R. Weijerstrass (NL)
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International Correspondence Chess Ladies' Master

N. Krasikowa (SU)

C. Rosenfield (US)

International Arbiter of the ICCF

M. Carter (US)

E.G. (Ted) Lord (AU)

C. Eve (Can)

P. Darmogray (SU)

M.V. Lopez (CR)

In Matters pertaining to the Statutes, it was decided that an alteration should be made to facilitate the holding of an ICCF Congress every year to enable speedier response to dealing with matters. It was also decided to set up a Commission to study the whole of the ICCF Statutes to make proposals for modernisation.

Under Tournament Rules, it was agreed under paragraph 6 that:
"If proposed conditional moves include impossible, illegal or illegible moves but the first move is correct, then the sender will not have a time penalty. The conditional moves can be accepted up to the impossible, illegal or illegible move."

Tournament Arrangements decided norms for various events, including:

Scottish CCA 10-year Magazine Anniversary Group A Category 8 - IN norm 7½/14 pts Group B Category 4 - IM norm 9½/14 pts

III Worth Atlantic Team Tourney

Boards 1 to 5 incl Category 2 - IM norm 7½/10 pts

Boards 6 to 10 incl Category 1 - IM norm 8/10 pts

Kirjeshakki 25 (Finland) In Grandmaster Section, IM norm 7/14 pts

John Kellner Memorial (Australia)
Sections A and B, both Category 6 - IM norm 8½/14 pts.

The next World Individual Championships will begin Autumn 1991 with the announcement early next year and the draws to be made during the Congress in Finland in July. The minima for eligibility on the basis of rating only were fixed at 2600 for 3/4-Finals and 2570 for ½-Finals. The next Olympiad (both Mens and Ladies) will be announced at the 1991 Congress and begin early 1992.

Several new Invitation Tournaments were approved, including the addition of a Ladies Section to the Scottish CCA 10-Year Magazine Anniversary Tournament. This will begin in early 1991 and was warmly welcomed as being the first such event for Ladies since the new rating/title arrangements were introduced.

It was announced by the Editor of Fernschach that, commencing in January 1991, there would be at least 8 pages per issue in English.

Despite the difficult circumstances including currency devaluation, the arrangements were excellent and special thanks were expressed to Dr. E. Bönsch and Mr. H. Rittner of Deutscher Schachverband.

BOOK REVIEW (by Alan Borwell)

Paul Keres' Best Games Vol. 2 - Open & Semi-Open Games By Egon Varnusz and published by Pergamon Press. Hardback £18.95, Softback £11.95. Algebraic notation.

This excellent 278-page book contains many examples of Paul Keres' creative chess masterpieces amongst its 240 well-analysed games. The famous Estonian Grandmaster was at his best in Open games, particularly demonstrating his artistry and virtuosity with either colour in the Ruy Lopez or as White against the Sicilian. The chapters are organised by main openings and games and openings are well-indexed.

SCOTTISH OPEN TOURNAMENTS

The 1st Scottish Open Tournament is now reaching its final stage and the participants are likely to be G.R. Wallwork, W. Down, W.D. Taylor, N. Kilgariff, V. Dilworth, C.P. Botham, R.G. Walker, J. Timperley and R.W.M. Baxter, subject to any adjudication appeals and finalists taking up their qualifications.

The 3rd Scottish Open Tournament will begin this summer and entry forms are enclosed with this magazine or available from Douglas Livie or Alan Hind.

SCOTTISH OPEN TOURNAMENT SEMI-FINALS

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2nd SCOTTISH OPEN TOURNAMENT (Controller - Douglas Livie)

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SCOTTISH CHAMPIONSHIP 1988-90

by Philip Giulian

Seldom can a Scottish Championship have been so open with almost all of the players having realistic winning chances. Inevitably, in such an event, there were a lot of draws but many were hard fought as the importance of every half point became apparent. If the withdrawal of M. Ross is excluded, the winning score was "only" 5%/8. I cannot remember a Scottish being won with such a low score, a good indication of the similar strengths of the players. Normally in games between evenly matched players the advantage of having white is important, but George Sprott owes his success to the games in which he had black. Notes to the following game are by George.

White: G.H. Bird Black: G.R. Sprott

6 c3

French Def, Tarrasch C06

1 e4 2 44 d5 3 Wd2 Mf6 4 e5 Nfd7 5 Bd3

The main alternative to White's other system in the Tarrasch starting with 5 f4 attempting to hold the centre with pawns. Black plans to lay siege to the pawn chain by ... c5 and ... f6; White will defend with pieces and will usually play exf6 in response to ... f6. after which the game revolves around control of d4 and e5.

..... Nc6 7 Ne2

This introduces the main variation to the 5 Bd3 line. White can also play gambitstyle with 7 Ngf3 Qb6 8 0-0 cxd4 9 cxd4 Nxd4 10 Nxd4 Qxd4 11 Nf3 Qb6.

> Qb6 Nf3 cxd4 cxd4 f6 Nxf6 exf6 Bd6 11 0-0

The main position - at first sight the backward black epawn looks very weak, but a closer examination reveals some balancing factors -White's own weakness on d4: Black's useful half open ffile and the prospect of an eventual ... e5 which will often favour Black's active pieces. White has to try and prevent that freeing move. White also achieving the organised development of his own pieces. To this end he can choose between 12 a3; 12 Rel; 12 Bf4; 12 Nf4; 12 b3: 12 Nc3 and the move played.

12 Bd2

This, followed by 13 Bc3, protects d4 and b2, and strengthens White's influence on e5, and watches over key queenside squares. On the negative side, Black gets freedom of development, also White lacks influence over the black squares on the K-side.

> 12 0-0

12 ... Qxb2?? 13 Rb1 Qa3 14 Rb3 Qa4 15 Bb5 16 Nc1 Qa1 17 Bc3 ±±.

> 13 Bc3 Bd7 Bf4 14 Ng3

A move recommended by John Watson in his book "Play the French". The bishop controls g5, prepares the move ... e5 since there is now no fork after dxe5 and also prevents Ne5 by White cutting off Black's bishop.

15	Ne5	Be8
16	Kb1	Rc8
17	a3	Nxe5
18	dxe5	Nd7
19	Bb4	Rf7
20	Bd6!?	Qxb2

Preferred to the complications arising from 20 ... Nxe5 21 Bxh7+ Kxh7 22 Qh5+ Kg8 23 Bxe5 Bxe5 24 Qxe5 unclear. White has made the decision to go for all-out attack on the K-side with the attendant risks - safer play might have been 19 Qe2 Nc5 20 Bd4 Qc7 21 Bxc5 although Black still has a definite edge.

21	Qh5	Bh6
22	Qg4	Qc3
23	Rad1	Nxe5
24	Qxe6	Wxd3
25	Rxd3	Qc4
26	Oxd5	1.35

White appears to have equalised and was probably now expecting an exchange of queens.

> 26 Bb5!

The winning move - an exchange of queens now wins at least the exchange for Black with decisive advantage. White's reply is forced.

> 27 Rfd1 Oxd5

28 Rxd5 Bc6!

The exchange of queens now takes place but with great advantage to Black - the threats against f2 and the bishop on d6 cannot be countered.

29 Rh5

If 29 Re5 Rd8 30 Kg1 Bf4 31 Re6 Rfd7 32 Nf5 Kf7 winning the bishop.

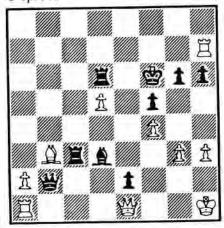
> 29 Rd8 30 f3 Bf4 31 Nf5 g6 32 Resigns

Material losses are inevitable.

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Winning the Championship depended on George's last game to finish. White had won a pawn on move 31, but Black had managed to push a pawn to the seventh rank. By the 42nd move, the following position had been reached with Black to play:

Black 6 Sprott



6 Wallwork

The game finished:

42 Be4+ 43 Kh2 Rf3 44 g4

Threatening 45 Qh4+.

44 g5!!

If 45 Rxh6+ Kf7! 46 Rxd6 (46 Rh7+ Kg6) ... Rxh3+! 47 Kxh3 Qh8+ 48 Kg3 Qh4++

45 Resigns

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George Pyrich was one of those who pushed George Sprott hard. In previous issues of the magazine I have expressed doubts on Black's position in the mainline Winawer. In the following game, George Pyrich reinforces these views with an emphatic win. Notes are by George,

White: G.D. Pyrich Black: G.H. Bird

French Defence C18

1 e4 e6
2 d4 d5
3 Nc3 Bb4
4 e5 c5
5 a3 Bxc3+
6 bxc3 Ne7
7 Qg4

On principle, the strongest move. The absence of the black-squared bishop is felt immediately.

7 Qc7

Playing Black against Jim Copley in the 1st SCCA Open Tourney, I played the alternative 0-0. After 8 Nf3 (8 Bd3 is now the critical move) Nbc6 9 Bd3 f5 10 exf6 Rxf6 11 Bg5 Rf7 12 Qh4 h6 13 Bxe7 Rxe7 14 0-0 c4 15 Bg6 Bd7 16 Rfe1 Be8 17 Bxe8 Qxe8 18 Ne5 Nxe5 19 Rxe5 Qf7

20 Rae1 Rae8 21 f4 Qf6 22 Qf2 Qf8 23 Qd2, a draw was agreed!

8 Qxg7

Geller's move. 8 Bd3 is also good. Anyhow, I've never understood why Black allows 8 Qxg7 - he gets his K-side blown away for next to no counterplay.

8	*****	Rg8
9	Qxh7	cxd4
10	Ne2	Nbc6
11	f4	Bd7
12	Qd3	dxc3
13	Nxc3	a6
14	Ne2	

Faithfully following Chandler v Timman and Karpov v Nogueiras in Informator 45 (White won both games!). In any case, I didn't seriously expect that Graham would have allowed 14 Rb1 0-0-0 15 Qxa6!

14 0-0-0!?

Timman played Rc8 whereas Nogueiras tried Nf5. I think both are superior to Black's choice. As the game develops, c8 is not a happy square for the Black king.

15 Rb1 Wf5 16 Rg1 Qa5+ After this, White has no problems. After 16 ... d4 17 Bd2 f6 18 exf6 Be8 things are still unclear.

17	Bd2	Qc5
18	Rb3	Rg7
19	g4	Rdg8
20	h3	Qc4

Simplifying only helps White, but constructive moves for Black are hard to find, eg. 20 ... Nh4 21 Be3 Qa5+ 22 Kf2.

21 Ng3 Qxd3 22 Rxd3 Nxg3

Forced, as Nh4 allows 23 Nh5 with Nf6 to follow.

23 Rdxg3 Wd4 24 Bd3 Ba4 25 Kf2

A fairly obvious tactic sets White on the way. Now the pawns just roll forward.

25	inic	Rh8
26	Bb4	Kd7
27	c3	Nc6
28	Bc5	Na5
29	f5	Bc6
30	Bd4	Nc4
31	g5	Rh4
32	f6	Rg8
33	g6	fxg6
34	Rxg6	Rf4+
35	Kg3	Rxg6+
36	Bxg6	Resigns.

One of the most interesting games of the Championship was between Graham Bird and Richard Beecham. I played over this game three times and still had no idea what was going on. So my thanks to Richard for responding to my last-minute phone call by hurriedly sending me the following annotation:

White: Prof. Graham Bird Black: C. Richard Beecham

Petroff Defence C42

Graham and I have been playing each other for many years in various Championships and Qualifiers. Our first encounter was 22 years ago in 1968, my first ever CC event!

1	e4	e5
2	Nf3	Nf6
3	Nxe5	d6
4	Nf3	Nxe4
5	Bc4!?	

A new move; Graham said he did not fancy playing against my extensive library and felt the moves epitaph would be "novel but bad."

5	****	d5
6	Qe2	Be7
7	0-0	0-0
8	d3	Nf6

9 Bb3 as

Played with the idea of transferring the QR to the kingside via a3 or a4 at a later stage. Similar ideas occur in the Budapest Gambit.

10	с3	Bg4
11	d4	Re8
12	043	Bd6

To prevent Ne5 and retain control of the e-file.

13 Bg5 N(8)d7!?

A pawn sacrifice which I felt Graham would not accept as Black obtains good compensation and attacking chances for the pawn.

14	Bxd5	c6
15	Вь3	a4
16	Bc2	Ras
17	Bxf6	

A good alternative would be 17 N(1)d2 completing White's development of the minor pieces.

17 Qxf6?!

Graham gave this move an exclamation mark, but I think it is very dubious. My reason for the move was that I had made up my mind to give up chess?! I was completing my Championship

games as a courtesy to my opponents so I decided to have some fun!

18	Qxh7+	Kf8
19	Qh8+	Ke7
20	Re1+	Be6
21	Qh4	g5
22	Qe4	Kd8
23	N(1)d2	Rh8
24	Nf1	g4



25 Ne5! Oh6

Any exchanges on e5 are advantageous to White, viz 25 ... Nxe5 26 dxe5 Rxe5 27 Qd4! The d-file is opened up for White's QR.

26 Qe3

Taking the g-pawn with the knight is bad due to 26 Nxg4 Bxg4 27 Qxg4 Bxh2+ 28 Nxh2 Rh5 and Black is winning.

26 Qh5

27 f4 Nf8 28 Ng3?!

This is a dubious move, taking protection away from the h2 square. With 28 g3!! White would have a solid position and be 2 pawns to the good.

28 Qh4

The h-pawn is taboo, viz 28 ... Qxh2+ 29 Kf2 threatening 30 Rh1 winning the queen.

29 f5 Bd5 30 Be4

To prevent Black taking on h2 and g2.

30 f6 31 Bxd5 fxe5

32 Be6

White cannot play 32 dxe5 because of 32 ... Bc5!

32 exd4 33 Qxd4

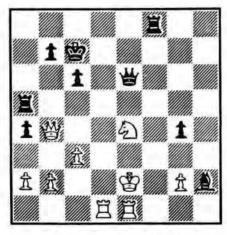
Well played! 33 cxd4 loses to 33 ... Qxh2+ 34 Kf2 Rh3!! 35 Rh1 Bxg3+ etc.

> 33 Kc7 34 Ne4 Bxh2+ 35 Kf1 Nxe6 36 fxe6 Rf8+

37 Ke2 Qe7

threatening White was Qg7+ 38 38 Qd7+ and winning. At this point in the game I offered a draw as after 38 Qd7+ Qxd7 30 exd7 Kxd7 the game is declined Graham saying this this was his only game of CC underway at the time and he would prefer to play for the win!

> 38 R(a)d1 Qxe6 39 Qb4



39 Rb5! 40 Qxa4

White must protect the knight on e4; if he plays 40 Qxf8 then 40 ... Qxe4+41 Kf1 (41 Kd2 Rxb2+ 42 Kc1 Qc2 mate) 41 Rf5+ wins, or 40 Qd4 Re5 wins.

40 Bg3

41 Rf1 Ra8!

The same theme as before to deflect the queen away from e4 and the 4th rank.

42 Qd4

Graham could have extended the game by a few moves with 42 Qc2 but after 42 ... Re8 43 Rd4 Re5 44 Ke3 c5! 45 Rc4 b5 wins.

42 Re8

Winning the knight.

43 White resigns

At the time this game finished, it felt odd; Graham was my first ever opponent and he was to be my last. There was a completeness about it all.

PS. Since this game finished I received an invitation to play in the X Anniversary SCCA Magazine tournament, Section B, and I'm mad about CC again!!



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GAMES SECTION

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Unfortunately, the gremlins got into my report of Glasgow's success in the Town Teams Tournament in the last issue. The game -1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 exd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nxc6 bxc6 6 Qd4 d5 7 Nc3 Be7 8 Bb5??? cxb5 White resigns - was (not lost) by me against Soviet Grandmaster N. Kopylov. How can an experienced player like Kopylov lose in 8 moves?! Clearly he thought he had already swapped pawns 8 exd5 cxd5 9 Bb5+ but he didn't bother to check on the board what he "saw" in his head.

In the British Postal Championship a few years ago I gained a quick point on the black side of a Queen's Gambit. My opponent wanted to pin my knight on f6 by Bg5 - but I had not brought out the knight yet - thus Qxg5 and game over.

These mistakes are unique to correspondence chess. most likely reason is a lack of motivation and too many games. To the first point, the advice is (1) Don't play "friendlies"; keep to games with some incentive, such as strong opposition you want to beat, a tournament you want to win, norm towards a title, monetary prize etc.; (2) On no account play more than 20 games. In OTB play, most games are lost by tactical errors often prompted by time trouble.

If you play 50 postal games simultaneously, then you don't have enough time to spend on each game - the point of postal play is lost. I only consider myself playing on "full power" with less than a dozen games.

Norfolk's Nike Read shows that "full power" annotations are a positive aspect of postal play.

John Kellner Memorial

White: Philip Giulian Black: Mike Read

Nimzo-Indian Defence E30

1	d4	Nf6
2	c4	e 6
3	Ic3	Bb4
4	Bg5	

A surprise. I had studied a quantity of Philip's games prior to this tournament, and was expecting his usual 4 e3. In view of the text variation appearing to be his "second string" line, allied to an impression I had gained from his past games, that Philip played less strongly with the White pieces when put under

pressure (suffice it to say that I've now changed my opinion as the result of this game!), I decided to play the most aggressive counter.

4	*****	h6
5	Bh4	c5
6	d5	b5!?
7	e3!	

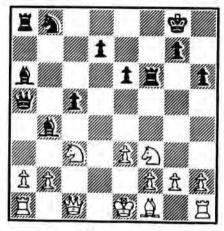
The most accurate! 7 dxe6 fxe6 8 cxb5 allows Black to continue 8 ... d5 9 e3 0-0 postponing his choice of square for his QB (ideally he would like to play ... a6 and after bxa6 recapture with the B). After the text 7 ... 0-0 is frowned upon by theory, and 7 ... d5 is impossible. Therefore. unless Black wishes to "bottle-out" by 7 ... bxc4, he must commit his immediately.

7		Bb7
8	dxe6	fxe6
9	cxb5	0-0
10	Mf3	Qa5
11	Bxf6	Rxfe
12	001	

Theory regards this as stronger than 12 Qd2 a6 13 bxa6 Bxf3 14 gxf3 Nc6 15 Be2 d5 16 a3 d4! with good counterplay for Black.

The merit of 12 Qcl is that it protects the R on a1, so that an eventual a3 really will threaten to take the black B on b4.

12 a6 13 bxa6 Bxa6!

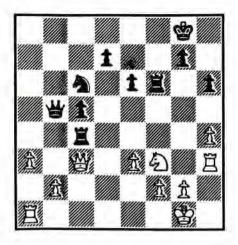


A TN and a significant improvement on ECO's "13 ... Nxa6, with compensation." The logic behind the text is that Black intends to build a strong centre and will therefore play ... d5 in due course. After this he will try to force ... d4 at a favourable moment and hope that the disturbance that this causes the white position will compensate for the pawn deficit.

It seems to me that the N must be played to c6 to support the centre in general (e5 is weak at present), and the ... d4 advance specifically. The tactical justification of the bishop capture is that it prevents White from castling (14 Bxa6 Qxa6!) and forces him to expend tempi walking his king to safety.

After the game Philip and I both felt that Black stood better after 13 ... Bxa6. This leaves White looking for an improvement between moves 7 and 13. suggestion is that 10 a3 may be better than the universally accepted 10 Nf3. 10 ... Ba5 occupies a square that the Queen wants, so 10 ... Bxc3+ 11 bxc3 Qa5 12 Bxf6 Rxf6 13 Qc2 or Qd2 a6 seems a likely line with interesting play, but with the onus on Black to justify his pawn sacrifice.

14	a3	Bxf1
15	Kxf1	Bxc3
16	Qxc3	Qb5+
17	Kg1	Nc6
18	h4	Ra4
19	Rh3	Rc4



Assuming that I was correct in crediting Black with an advantage at move 13, it becomes necessary to work out why I didn't keep it! Philip suggested 19 ... Rg4 (intending ... Rfg6) after the game. I had rejected this in view of 20 h5 as 20 ... Qe2 is well met by 21 Qd2. However 20 ... Rf5?!! provides Black with a of new options. Certainly my analysis of 19 ... Rc4 was flawed, due to me under-estimating White's 21st.

> 20 Qd2 d5 21 Rc1 Rf7!

At move 19, I had rejected 21 Rc1 as a White option due to 21 ... Na5, but now it became clear that 22 Rc3! intending Ne5 gives White the advantage. The text, with its plan of central expansion, partially atones for Black's error two moves ago. The advantage is lost, but a dynamic equality is achieved.

22 Rc3 Re7 23 Rg3

White's defence has been excellent. Now he prepares his counter-attack.

23 Rxc3 24 Qxc3 e5

24 ... Rb7? would be a complete waste of time as ... Qxb2 is not a genuine threat because of the counter Rxg7+.

25 Qd2! d4!

Black must plunge into fearsome complications. 25 ... Qc4 is weak because of 26 Rg6 (26 ... Rc7? 27 Rxc6!).

26 exd4 cxd4

I could not find an outright refutation to 26 ... Nxd4, but had a gut feeling that I would need a passed pawn on the d-file to use as a decoy at some point.

Already, the complications are so great as to defy a complete analysis (or, put another way - I couldn't fight my way through them!) and intuition begins to play a role.

27 Rg6

White's pieces move in for the kill. The R belongs on g6, so that the Q on h6 can be supported by a N on g5. (27 Qxh6 d3 28 Rg6 would transpose to the game, but not, of course, 28 Ng5??? gxh6). Philip said, after the game, that he felt he was winning at this point, but Black has an amazing escape lined up!

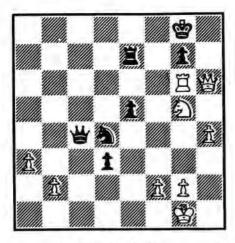
27 d3

It is fitting that Black's lifeline should be provided by the pawn-centre that his 6th move created. The attempt to avoid White's attack by 27 ... Kh8 runs into 28 Qc2 Na5 29 Qc8+with White well on top.

28 Qxh6 Nd4!

To protect the d-pawn from attack from behind (not 28 ... Qc4 29 Rxc6!)

29 Ng5 Qc4



... and Black holds on in every line.

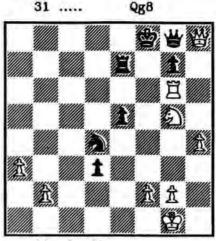
30 Qh7+

30 Ne4? Nf5! 31 Nf6+ Kf7 32 Qh5 Qc1+ 33 Kh2 gxf6! and wins or 30 Nh7? Qf7! 31 Nf6+ (31 Ng5 d2! 32 Qh7+ Kf8 33 Qh8+ Qg8 34 Nh7+ Kf7 35 Ng5+ Kxg6! is an incredible line) Qxf6 32 Rxf6 gxh6 and wins.

30 Kf8 31 Qh8+

31 Ne6+? Nxe6 is a clear win for Black, as are 31 Rf6+ gxf6 32 Qh8+ Qg8 33 Qxf6+ Ke8 and 31 Rd6 (or b6) Ne2+! 32 Kh2 Qf4+ 33 Kh1 (33 Kh3 Ng1 # is pretty) Qc1+ 34 Kh2 Qg1+ 35 Kh3 Qh1+ 36 Kg4 Qxg2+

37 Kf5 g6+ and White's Q is lost.



32 Qxg8+

White avoids the most diabolical trap of them all - 32 Qh5 Qc4 33 Wh7+? Ke8!! (33 ... Kf7 34 Rf6+ Kg8 35 Rf8 # or 33 ... Kg8 34 Nf6+ Kf7 35 Rg5+ etc) Black is better! 34 Rxg7+ Kd8 35 Rxe7? loses to 35 ... Ne2+ 36 Kh2 Qf4+ 37 Kh1 Qc1+ 38 Kh2 Qg1+ etc while 34 Rc6+ Qf7 covers up nicely and 35 Qxf7+? Rxf7 allows the pawn to queen (as 36 Rc1 or Rc3, Ne2+).

> 32 Kxg8 33 Rd6 Re8

Of course not 33 ... d2??? 34 Rd8+.

34 Hf3

34 Ne4 Rc8 intending ... Rc2 etc is fine for Black.

34 Rc8 35 Kh2

For the next few moves. White has the option of transposing to an endgame of N+5 pawns v R+1 pawn. Here, this is achieved by 35 Nxe5 d2 36 Rxd4 Rc1+ 37 Kh2 d1=Q 38 Rxd1 Rxd1. However, White would then be unable to keep his 2 Q-side pawns, as Black's R is too active. Therefore, assessed this ending as drawn (although I wasn't looking forward to defending it!) Philip felt that it was a draw as well. The text tries to throw Black off the scent, while keeping the option of the ending open.

35 Rc1

35 ... Rc4 also draws (see next note).

36 b4

My analysis of "best" play here runs 36 Kh3 (threatening 37 Rd8+ Kh7 38 h5 with Kg4 and Ng5+ to follow) Rc4! (with the threat of 37 ... Nxf3 38 gxf3? Rd4 - note that 35 ... Rc4 [see last notel 36 Rd8+ Kh7 37 Kg3 Ito answer 37 ... Nxf3 by 38 Kxf3 and the d-pawn falls1 Nf5+ 38 Kh3 Nd4 would have reached a similar position) 37 b3 (to answer 37 ... Nxf3 with 38 bxc4. This would not have been possible with the K on h2 as ... Nxf3 would have been check, and a subsequent ... Rd4 would have won for Black) Rc1 (now that the R is no longer en prise. Black threatens 38 Nxf3 39 gxf3 Rc3 when White's 'a' and 'b' pawns fall in exchange for Black's d-pawn and the resulting ending is an easy draw) 38 a4 (but now 38 ... Nxf3 39 gxf3 Rc3 40 b4 is winning for White as he keeps a two-pawn advantage) Rb1! 39 Ixe5 (not 39 Rb6?? Nxf3 and the dpawn gets home) d2 40 Rxd4 d1=Q 41 Rxd1 Rxd1 and despite White's Q-side pawns being further advanced than before, it is still easy to capture them. We both. therefore, considered this position drawn, and Philip tried 36 b4 instead.

> 36 Rc4 37 b5

Philip told me that he had originally intended 37 Kh3

(so that ... Nxf3 is not check) Nxf3 38 Rxd3, but that after 38 ... Nd4! (he thought that 38 ... Nxh4 would have allowed him to win - I'm inclined to agree), the poor position of his king would not provide sufficient winning chances.

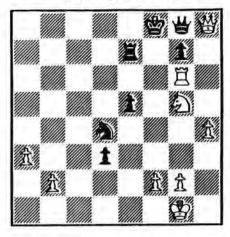
37		Nxf3+
38	gxf3	Rd4
39	Rxd4	exd4
40	b 6	d2
41	b7	d1=Q
42	b8=Q+	Kh7

Black is still two pawns down, but his d-pawn will queen before any of White's. White must, therefore, force perpetual check. Black cannot stop this, eg. 42 ... Kf7?! 43 Qe5 Qd2? (an error designed to disallow a check on a5 or b4 in the line 44 Qf5+ Ke7 45 Qe5+ Kd7 46 Qd5+? Kc7 47 Qc5+ Kb7 Ka7 49 Qc5+ Ka6 48 Qb5+ 50 Qc6+ Ka5 51 Qc5+ Ka4 etc) 44 Of5+ Ke7 45 Oe5+ Kd7? (45 ... Kd8 46 Qd6+ is perpetual check) 46 Qxg7+ Kc6 47 Kg2 d3 48 h5 Qe2 (48 ... Qc2 49 Qg6+) 49 h6 d2 50 Qc3+ K moves 51 Q checks on a square that covers d1 K moves 52 h7 d1=Q 53 Qxd1 Qxd1 54 h8=Q

43 Qe5 d3

44 Qh5+

Drawn by perpetual check.



What a game!! I believed this to be the finest game I had ever that been involved in from a creative point of view, and I looked forward to producing this annotation to let everybody see our "masterpiece". And then..... disaster struck as I found a forced loss! Let us return to my "diabolical 32 trap" on move and continue the analysis further. 32 Qh5! Qc4 33 Nh7+ (now ! instead of '?') Ke8 (forced - but not '!!') 34 Rc6+ Qf7 35 Rc8+ (clearly forced as 35 Qxf7+ loses as noted earlier, but the text seems to win) Kd7 36 Qg4+ and now ...

- (a) 36 ... Re6 37 Ra8! threatening Ra7+ and Nf8+
- (b) 36 ... Ne6 37 Rc3 and Black's only trump falls
- (c) 36 ... Qf5 37 Qxf5 Nxf5 38 Rc3 and White has a winning position
- (d) 36 ... Qe6 37 Nf8+.

I believe that when I studied this position (on move 26!), I overlooked 37 Nf8+ in (d) and assumed that 37 Qxe6+ was forced when 37 ... Rxe6 is winning for Black (38 Rc1 or Rc3 Ne2+; 38 others allow the d-pawn to queen).

Of course, with so many continuations to look at, at that stage, it was perhaps inevitable that I would miss something somewhere. I was just lucky that Philip made the same mistake!

I am often asked by people "how many moves ahead do you look at correspondence chess?" The correct answer is, of course, "lots... but not always the right ones!"



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In spite of this blemish, I still believe that this game better than many correctly-played-but-lessexciting ones. Perhaps I deserved a draw for my enterprising play (or maybe for being honest and admitting my error instead of annotating around it and hoping nobody would notice?!

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The late B.H. Wood would introduce deeply annotated games in "Chess" with the advice to use two chess sets, one for the main line and one for the notes. That's the recommendation for the next two games from Jim Stevenson who now lives in Mrs. Thatcher's Finchley constituency. If she played chess we could paraphrase to "Thatcher pawn-snatcher".

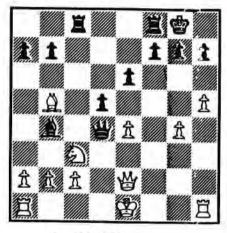
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White: J. Stevenson Black: R. Kilpatrick

Caro-Kann Defence B11

1	e4	c6
2	IIc3	d5
3	Mf3	Bg4
4	h3	Bh5
5	exd5	cxd

6	Bb5+	Nc6
7	g4	Bg6
8	Ne5	Rc8
9	d4	e6
10	Qe2	Bb4
11	h4	Ne7
12	h5	Be4
13	f3	0-0
14	Nxc6	Nxc6
15	Be3	Qf6
16	fxe4	Nxd4
17	Bxd4	Qxd4



18 Kf1(!?)

Rd1?! Bxc3+ 19 bxc3 Qxc3+ 20 Kf1 dxe4 21 Qxe4 f5!! (21 ... Qxc2 22 Qxc2 Rxc2 23 Rd7 [23 a4] 23 ... Rxa2 24 Rxb7 Rc8 25 Be2, with advantage to White) 22 Qxe6+ Kh8 23 Bd3? (23 Kg2!(N) Qxc2+ 24 Qe2 fxg4 25 Rc1 Qf5 26 Bd3 Rce8 27 Bxf5 Rxe2+ 28 Kg3 Rxa2 29 Rc8 Ra3+ 30 Kxg4 Ra4+ 31 Kg3 Ra3+ 32 Kf4 Ra4+

33 Ke3 Ra3+ 34 Kd4 Ra4+ 35 Kc3 Rxc8+ 36 Bxc8 Kg8 37 Rf1 g5 38 Bxb7 Rh4 -Sikora-Learch, Stohl 1989. notes:Informant 47) 23 Qd4! (-+) (23 ... fxg4+? 24 Kg2) 24 gxf5 (24 g5 Qf4+ 25 Kg2 Rce8 26 Qc4 [26 Qd5 Re3 (-+)1 26 ... Qxg5+ (-+) 24 ... Rce8 25 Re1 (25 Qc4 Rxf5+) 25 ... Rxe6 26 Rxe6 Qd5 27 Kg1 Qxa2 28 Kh2 a5 Rhe1 a4 30 h6 Qd5 31 R1e5 Qd4 32 hxg7+ Kxg7 33 Kg3 a3 34 Ra5 Rf6 35 Re4 (35 Rxf6 Kxf6 36 Rxa3 Qd6+) 35 ... Qg1+ 36 Kf3 a2?? (36 ... h5 (-+)) 37 Rg4+ (1-Van der Weil-Timman 1986.

> 18 Bxc3 19 bxc3 Qxc3 20 Re1(!) Qxc2(?!)

Better is 20 ... dxe4 21 Qxe4 f5 22 Qxe6+ Kh8 23 Bd3 Qd4 24 gxf5 Qf4+ 25 Kg2 (25 Ke2? Rce8) 25 ... Qg4+ 26 Kh2 Qxh4+ =; 24 ... Rce8?! 25 Qxe8! Qf4+ = (!?)

> 21 exd5 Qxe2+ 22 Rxe2

White is slightly better. If 22 Bxe2?! Rc2 with counterplay.

22 Rc5

Only move.

23 Bd3 Rxd5 24 Be4 Rd7

Δ 25 ... f5! =

25 g5 (!) f5 (!?) 26 Bc2 Kf7 27 Bb3 Rd6

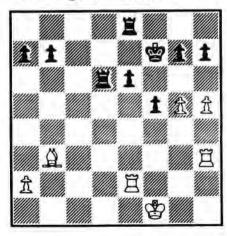
27 ... Re8? 28 Ba4.

28 Rh3

28 Rh4!? A a7, b7.

28 Re8 (??)

28 ... Rc8! 29 Rhe3 Rcc6! 30 Re5 g6 31 h6 Ke7 ∞



29 Rc3(+-) g6

29 ... Re7 30 Rc8.

30 h6(!?)

30 hxg6+? kxg6; 30 Rc7+ Re7 31 hxg6+! (31 Rc8? gxh5) 31 ... hxg6 32 Rc8 Kg7 33 Rh2 Rd4 34 Rch8 Rf4+ 35 Ke2 (35 Kg2? Rg4+) 35 ... Re4+ 36 Kf3 (+-)

> 30 Rc6 Rd3 31 Rc7 32 Rd6 **b**5 33 Re5 Rb7 Ke2 a5 34 Rdxe6 35 Rxe6 Rxe6 Kf8 36 Ke3 37 Ra7

37 ... Rc7 (37 ... a4 38 Bd5 Δ Kd4) 38 Kd4 Rc1 39 Ke5 Re1+ 40 Kf6 Rxe6+ 41 Kxe6 a4 42 Bd5 b4 43 Ke5! (+-)

> 38 Bd5 **b4** Rb6 39 Rc7 40 Kd4 Re7 Rb8+ Re8 41 Rxe8+ Kxe8 Kc5 43 Ke7 Kb5 f4 45 Kxa5 Kd6 46 Bf3 1 0

46 ... Kc5 47 Be2 zugzwang

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White: C.R. Beecham Black: J. Stevenson

QGD Chigorin D07

1 d4 d5 2 c4 Nc6 3 Nc3 dxc4 4 e3 e5 5 d5

5 Nf3?! exd4 6 exd4 Bg4?! 7 Be3?! Nf6 8 Bxc4 Bd6 9 h3 Bh5 10 0-0 0-0, with advantage to Black, R.Foster -Stevenson, Nrth Circular Lge 1989 (0-1, 27).

5 Nce7

5 ... Na5?! 6 Qa4+ c6 7 b4! cxb3 8 axb3 Qb6! (\(9 \) Qxa5? Qxa5 10 Rxa5 Bb4), with advantage of Black, J.Watson ... and BCC (!?) - 9 Bd2 Nxb3 10 dxc6 bxc6 11 Nd5 Qb7 12 Rb1 Nc5 13 Qa1 Qd7 14 Nb6 axb6 15 Qxa8, Kogan - Rizzitano, 1983: 15 ... b5!? with compensation, Minev (ECO): 16 Bb4! (Benjamin /Schiller) (\Delta Nf3, Qa3)±: (a) 16 ... Bd6 17 Nf3 f6 (17 ... Nf6 18 Bxc5 Bxc5 19 Nxe5; 17 ... Ne7 18 Qa3) Be2 Ne7 19 0-0: (b) 16 ... Nf6 17 Nf3: (c) 16 ... Qb7 17 Qa3.

6 Bxc4 Ng6

6 ... Nf6; 6 ... Nf5!? Δ ... Nd6.

7 Qb3!

7 e4 Nf6 8 Nge2?! Bc5 9 h3 0-0 10 Ng3 Nh4! 11 Kf1 (11 0-0? Qd7 Δ ... Ng2!) 11 ... Ne8 12 Qe2 Nd6 13 Bd3 f5 14 exf5 Nhxf5 15 Nxf5 Bxf5 16 Be3 Bd4 17 a3 Qf6 18 Rd1 Rae8 τ, advantage to Black, J.Dilley-Stevenson, Barnet Open 1989 (0-1, 40).

7 Bd6

7 ... Nf6 (Δ Bb5?! Nd7) 8 d6! Bxd6 9 Bxf7+ Ke7 10 Nf3 Rf8 11 Bxg6±, development advantage.

8 Bb5+ Kf8(!?/±)

8 ... Bd7 9 Bxd7+ Qxd7 10 Qxb7.

> 9 Bd3 f5(!?) 10 f3 Wf6 11 Bd2

Δ 12 Nb5 11 Nb5? Nxd5 12 Qxd5 Bb4 (-+).

> 11 a6 12 Wh3

Δ Ng5-e6!

12 h6
13 0-0-0 Wh4
14 Rhg1 g5(!/\infty)
15 Rdf1 Kg7
16 Qc2

Δ X f5; 16 ... Rf8 17 g3 Ng6? 18 Bxf5! Bxf5 19 Qxf5 Nxd5 20 Qe4 ±.

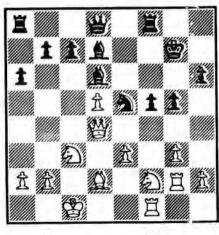
> 16 Rf8 17 g3(?) Nxf3(!) 18 Rxf3 e4 19 R3f1 exd3 20 Qxd3 Ng4(!)

Δ ... Ne5: X Nh3, e4.

21 Rg2 Bd7 22 Nf2 Ne5

 Δ ... Qe8, ... Qg6, ... Rae8 (-+).

23 Qd4 (??)



23 c5(!)

24 dxc6 Bxc6

25 e4 Bc7 (!!/-+)

26 Qxd8 Raxd8 27 Rd1 Bb6(!)

28 Hd5(!?) Bxd5

29 exd5 Bxf2 30 Bc3 Be3+: 29 Bc3 fxe4! 30 Bxe5+ Kg6 Δ 31 ... e3.

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Another welcome contribution from David Salter who helpfully makes up his own diagrams at the key point in the game.

SCCA Handicap 1989/90

White: Doug Harvey Black: David Salter

Reversed Queen's Indian A06

1 IIf3 d5 2 b3 IIf6 3 Bb2 c5

4 e3

Having gone to the trouble of a queenside fianchetto, White does not care to exchange B for N thus trading a good diagonal for doubled enemy pawns.

4 e6 5 Ne5 Bd6 6 f4 Bd7

7 Bd3?! Nc6

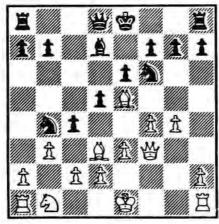
White later regrets having that pawn on d2.

8 Qf3 Nb4 9 g4

Aggressive stuff. Black wisely refrains from castling at this stage and White gets into difficulties through making this commitment to such early K-side activity.

9 Bxe5 10 Bxe5 c4!

Now come the tactics.



White avoids 11 Be2 Nxc2+ and 11 bxc4 dxc4 12 Bxc4 Nxc2+ 13 Kd1 Bc6, and 11 bxc4 dxc4 12 Qxb7 Nfd5 13 Bxg7 Bc6.

11 a3 Wxd3+

If 11 ... cxd3 12 axb4 dxc2 13 Na3 Rc8 14 Rc1 Bc6 15 Bd4 seems to give White time to remove the c-pawn and gain more activity than in the game.

12 cxd3 cxd3 13 Wc3 We4

Inviting 14 Nxe4? dxe4 15 Qxe4? Bc6 or 14 Bxg7? Qh4+ 15 Kd1 Rg8 16 Bd4 Qf2.

14 g5 0-0

Not wishing to end up with my king in the centre, confident that the K-side can be held.

15 Qf1 Rc8

Making no effort to hold the d-pawn but bringing more firepower into action.

16 Qxd3 Ic5 17 Qc2 Bc6

18 Bd4

White stops the Black dpawn advance. Could he have tried 18 d4 Ne4 19 Nxe4 dxe4 20 0-0 Bd5 with Black's ... f6 in the offing? Messy!

18 Nd7

19 Qb2

Taking the Q off the c-line and perhaps hoping for b2g7 diagonal activity. If he'd tried 19 h4 then ... e5 20 fxe5 Nxe5 21 Bxe5 d4.

> 19 e5 20 fxe5 Qxg5

20 ... Nxe5 still looks lively.

21 Ne2 Bb5

Should White have taken the last opportunity to castle? 21 0-0-0 Nxe5 22 Kb1 for example, where Black must pay attention to his g7 square.

22 Nc3 Qh4+

Perhaps 22 Ng3 Bd3 23 Rc1 offers better chances. Black would probably try for Qg4, h5, h4 threats. Entertaining but winning a piece for Black is 22 e6 Qh4+23 Kd1 fxe6 24 Bxg7 Qxh2! 25 Re1 Rf1 26 d4 ...

23 Kd1 Bd3 24 Resigns

Premature? Lines such as 24 Nxd5 Qg4+ 25 Ke1 Qe2++; 24 Bxa7 Qg4+ 25 Kc1 Nxe5 26 Bd4 Be4 are clearly bad

for White, and do-or-die methods like 24 Rg1 Qxh2 25 Rxg7+? Kxg7 26 e6+ Kg8 embarrass the White king, However, there is 24 b4 Qg4+ 25 Kc1 Qg2 26 Re1 Qf2 27 Rh1 Be4 28 Rd1 Bf3 29 d3 Qxb2+ 30 Kxb2 followed by Black's R for B exchange. I'd need to be careful with my pawns to win the ending but the advantage should prevail. Other responses to 24 b4 would risk allowing White's queen to break out of prison and letting the other pieces improve their co-ordination. All in all, a game in which the analysis heavily outweighs the actual moves played!





Inverness player David Cumming featured in Issue 34. Here is an example of the trendy 16 Rg1 in Fischer's favourite Najdorf variation.

BPCF Open Championship P184

White: D.R. Cumming Black: D. Bix

Sicilian Def. - Najdorf B99

1 e4 c5 2 llf3 d6 3 d4 cxd4

Nxd4 Nf6 Nc3 a6 Bg5 66 7 f4 Be7 Qf3 Qc7 0-0-0 Nbd7 10 84 **b**5 11 Bxf6 Nxf6 12 **g**5 Nd7 13 f5 Nc5 14 f6 gxf6 gxf6 Bf8 16 Rg1 **b4** 17 Nd5 Qa5!? 18 Kb1!

Rather than 18 Nc6?? Qxa2!!

19 Nc7+? Kd7 20 Nxa8??

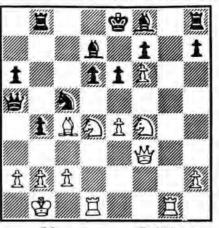
Bh6+!! 21 Rd2 Qa1+ mate!

Neither was I worried about
the en-prise White knight on
d5, as after it is captured
by the e6 pawn, the white e4
pawn recaptures, leaving
fatal weakness in that the
e-file has been opened
before Black's king could be
put in a safe place.

18 Bd7 19 Bc4! Rb8 20 Mf4!?

The idea was 20 ... e5 21 Qh5! with pressure on Black's f7-pawn. Instead, Black played 20 ... Na4!? intending 21 ... Nc3+! sacrificing the knight to open the b-file with mating threats. I played 22 Nfe2!

with the idea of doubling up on Black's dangerous c3 pawn if he went ahead with this

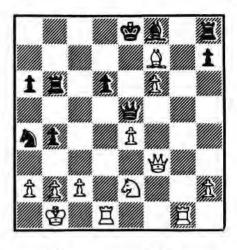


20 **Ta4!?** 21 **Tfe2! Rb6?!**

Waiting move perhaps? If not, too slow to protect e6, as my following move showed.

22 Wxe6! Bxe6 23 Bxe6! Qe5! 24 Bxf7+!!

A good reply to Black's last move, which had the twofold threat of mate or capturing the bishop without displacing the f7 pawn. Had my opponent played 24 ... Kxf7 25 Qb3+! restores the material balance by capturing the knight on a4 next move.



24 Kd8?! 25 Nd4!

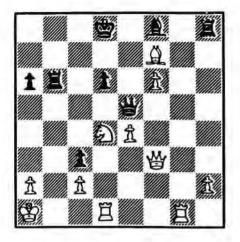
Blocking the black queen's diagonal to mate, with long-term threats of winning material with a knight fork, once b2 has been secured.

25 Nc3+??

Gross blunder, sacrificing the knight for mating threats which I could easily reposte.

26 bxc3 bxc3+ 27 Ka1!

NOT Kc1?? Losing to ... Bh6+!!, with the loss of the knight and both of White's rooks. 27 Bb3?! was dubious here because of Black's apawn and the still dangerous Black queen.



Our Games Editor is looking for more interesting games, preferably annotated. So, come on members, surely you can send him at least one worth publishing!!

27 Qa5 28 e5!!

If ... Qxe5? 29 Nc6+ Rxc6 30 Qxc6, or 28 ... dxe5?? losing the queen to 29 Nc6++!! winning because of the double discovered check and simultaneous attack on the black queen.

28 Kc7 29 e6!

Mopping up the kingside. If 29 ... Qa3 30 Rb1 solves most of my problems, so my opponent bowed to the inevitable and resigned on his 29th move instead!

This was a good game, full of sacrifices and an entertaining game from White's point of view.

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"It's good to fail now and again - ian marks you learn a lot more out of failure than you do out of success,"

Ian Hunter, Rock Musician

This game was never meant for publication. It's my own little chess Watergate; a dark and painful secret; a wound that will not heal. I don't lose: I don't even get beaten. I get whupped. It's the equivalent of going 15 rounds with Tyson; 5 hours at the hands of Kasparov. But I decided to publish and be damned. Perhaps a public beating of the breast will help lay the ghost. warned: it's not a pretty Pour yourself a sight. stiff drink and pull up a chair

White: R. Dowson Black: I. Marks

Quartets Q150, 1990

King's Indian Defence E9

1 e4 g6 2 d4 Bg7

3 c4

"A wise decision. White transposes to a King's Indian." (Botvinnik) But why the reluctance to take on the Pirc?

3 d6 4 Nc3 Nf6 5 Nf3 0-0 6 Be2 e5 7 Bg5

Whoa. Is this a TN? And what's the threat? 8 dxe5 dxe5 9 Qxd8 Rxd8 10 Nd5, as in the Averbakh Variation. Black can meet this in a number of reasonable ways, eg. 7 ... c6, to guard d5; 7 ... exd4, to lift the dxe5 threat, or

7 h6

Nudging the Bishop in this fashion is a permitted stratagem in the King's Indian. It helps to have White declare his intentions.

8 Bh4 g5 9 dxe5

9 Bg3 is worth a look: 9 ... g4 10 Nh4 exd4 11 Qxd4 Re8 (Nc6!?) 12 Qd3 Nbd7 13 f3 Nc5, Markus-Sosonko, Dutch Ch. 1973.

9 gxh4

10 exf6 Qxf6

10 ... Bxf6!?

11 Qc2



Here we part company with Smejkal-Sax, Vrsac 1981, which continued 11 Qd2 Be6 12 Rd1 Nd7 and the protagonists shuffled to a draw in 7 more moves. So presumably 11 Qd2 is more accurate (Korchnoi has also played it) since it keeps an eye on the dark squares. But 11 Qc2 isn't exactly BAD.

11 c6??

But this IS.

"Error is not a fault of our knowledge, but a mistake of our judgement giving assent to that which is not true."

John Locke

On the Richter scale of Truly Awful Bad Moves, this howler registers about 8.5. Black is suddenly "worried" about the "threat" of Nc3d5. but the solution is worse than the problem. Be6 is indicated: 12 Nd5 Bxd5 13 exd5 Oxb2 14 Oxb2 Bxb2 15 Rb1 Bc3+ 16 Kd1 Ba5 (A 17 Rxb7 Bb6; 16 ... b6!?) 17 Nxh4 is +=/±. but in this line 13 ... Nd7 and a R to e8 looks fine for Black. A "weak" Pd6 is often permissible in the King's Indian. That it wasn't in this particular instance was obviously way over my head.

12 Rd1

I had expected 12 h3 to stop my next move.

12 h3?

It says much for my grasp of the position that I was smugly satisfied with this "At a stroke" Black rids himself of the weak hpawn, frees the Q from its "weakens" defence and White's K-side. The Grand Design is ... Kh8, Be6/g4, Nd7, double Rs on the gfile, h5 and Bh6-f4 with an "overwhelming attack" on the White castled (!?) position.

Or at least that's what I thought ...

"People who shut their eyes to reality simply invite their own destruction."

James Baldwin

13 gxh3

"And it seems while I was looking It was right in front of me All the time"

Justin Hayward, "In My World"

So simple and so obvious - and I hadn't even considered it. Golden Rule of Chess No. 1: Always Examine Captures First.

13 Bxh3

With a threat! 14 ... Bg2!

14 Rg1 Na6

Destined to die a hero's death on f2(!) 21(!) moves later.

15 Rg3 Be6

d7 or c8 are unthinkable retreats.

16 Rxd6 Rad8 17 Qd1 Kh8 18 e5

THIS is the real trouble with the fall of d6.

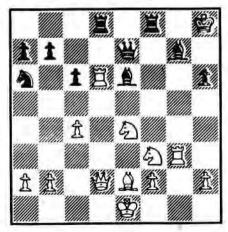
18 Qe7 19 Ne4

So much for the "prophylactic" c7-c6: the N hops in via e4.

19 f5?!

Shades of panic. convinced myself that this "typical was a King's Indian" move, but missed the tactics on move 22. Hardly surprising, since I've missed most of everything else so far. In retrospect, 19 ... Bf5 looks saner. least. I don't see any immediate refutation.

> 20 exf6 Bxf6 21 Qd2 Bg7



Do you see what I see? Black has a tactical time-bomb on his hands: K, Q and R neatly set up for a family fork; weak Ph6; potentially undefended Be6 and Rd8; potential Rh6 mate; exposed K; N on the rim ...

22 We5 Bxe5 23 Qxh6+ Qh7 24 Qxh7+ Kxh7 25 Wg5+ Kh8

25 ... Kh6 26 Rxe6+ Bf6 27 Ne4.

26 Mf7+ Rxf7 27 Rxd8+ Kh7 28 Bd3+ Bf5

28 ... Kh6 29 Rg6+.

29 Rf3 Bxd3

29 ... Kg6 30 Rg8+ Bg7 31 Rxg7+ is one way to skin this particular cat.

30 Rxf7+ Kg6 31 Rxb7 Bxc4

31 ... Resigns was better. White's handling of the tactics has been clinical and efficient, while Black has displayed all the panache of a flounder.

32 b3 Bd5 33 Rxa7 Mc5 34 h3 Md3+ 35 Kf1 Wxf2 36 Rxd5

"It all begins and ends with the mailbox, and when they find a way to remove mailboxes, much of our suffering will end."

Charles Bukowski,

36 cxd5 37 Ra6+ Kf5 38 Kxf2 1 0

"This taught me a lesson, but I'm not sure what it is,"

John McEnroe

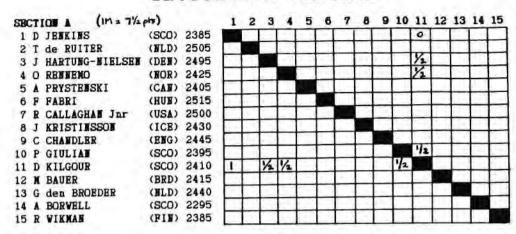


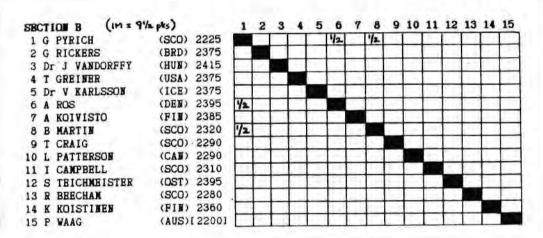
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CLASSIC GAMES OF CORRESPONDENCE CHESS

by John Hawkes o

The setting for this game is the Final of the first European Team Tournament. The USSR team won ahead of the West Germans. On Board 10 they had to replace Kogan and found a man who has figured prominently in individual World Championships, almost taking the title: Gennady NESIS. The Netherlands had the same problem and had replaced Waal by W. BOOM.

Vhite: W. Boom Black: G.E. Nesis

I European Team Tournament Final 1978-83

Ruy Lopez C75

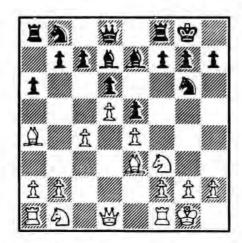
1	e4	e5
2	Wf3	Nc6
3	Bb5	a6
4	Ba4	d6
5	c3	Bd7
6	d4	Nge7
7	0-0	Ng6
A	Do3	_

Kostro - Spitzenberger on Board 2 was going 8 Nbd2 Be7 9 Re1 b5 10 Bc2 0-0 11 Nf1 Na5 12 Ne3 Re8 13 b4 Nb7 14 d5 Bf8 15 g3 Bh3 16 a4 h6 17 a5 and White's Q-side expansion by c3-c4 soon proved decisive.

> 8 Be7 9 d5 Nb8

10 c4 0-0

There were two other plans for Black. He can exchange B's and follow with Nbd7, or play 10 ... h6 with the thematic idea of getting his QB traded off by ... Bg5 eg. 10 ... h6 11 Nc3 Bg5 12 Re1 Bxe3 13 Rxe3 0-0 14 Rc1 a5 as in a 1956 Yugoslavia-USSR match game between Trifunovic and Keres.



11 Bc2

This looks even better than 11 Bxd7 Nxd7 12 Nc3 h6 13 b4 Nf6 14 Ne1 Nh7 15 g3 Qd7 16 Qh5 Bg5 17 Bxg5 Nxg5 18 Nd3 in Mikenas-Stolyar, Leningrad 1956.

Sacrifice	41	
21	b4!	Bxh4
22	f6!	Bxf6
23	Rxf6!	gxf6

24 Qh2

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11	****	a5
12	Ic3	Na6
13	a3	c5
14	Qd2	Wh4
15	Wxh4	Bxh4
16	f4	Bf6
17	f5	

And the man from Leningrad, despite all his talent and ingenuity, is unable to put together a defence.

White now breaks through

with two pawn sacrifices

followed by an exchange

Very strong.

17	*****	Mc7
18	Rf3	b5
19	g4	h6

25	cixe	10
26	Bxh6	Qe7
27	Rf3	Rf7
28	Rg3	Ne8
29	g5!	Mg7
30	g6	Rf8
31	Rh3	

Now this little move is forced and weakening.

Thus the Netherlands drew 6:6 with the USSR.

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4 d4
Entries close 1/4/91
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A SCOTTISH VIEW OF THE BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL

(by Philip Giulian)

Two Scots, Brian Martin and myself, qualified for this year's British Final. At the start I felt that we would probably have different main objectives. Brian was playing in his first British Final. Apart from the obvious strength of the event, the Final can be tough because of the aggressive approach adopted by most players. Consequently, I felt Brian might try to consolidate his position in the Final, take few risks, before adopting a more ambitious attitude in future years. Because of heavy over-commitments internationally, this was to be my last "British" for a while and I wanted to have a real go at winning it. Last year I finished third and was second highest rated this year, and so victory did not seem an impossible dream.

To win "at all costs", I decided to change my usual opening repertoire and play 1 e4. I even "risked" a couple of Alekhine's Defences as Black. This approach turned out disastrously. Although I had a quick win against Elliston, I drew short sterile games with George and Millican. My other seven positions were all bad at this stage and victory seemed impossible. Gradually however things improved and by the time I drew my next two games, a final score of 6% looked "on". This would be a very low winning score but one which sufficed two years ago. One of my poorest remaining positions was against the defending champion Cliff Chandler. It was at this stage he made a terrible blunder losing a piece. An hour's careful analysis convinced me of my original diagnosis and so in I went with now very high hopes of winning the Championship. Back came Cliff's reply and I realised immediately that my queen was trapped and would be lost next move. I can offer no explanation for what is definitely my worst ever correspondence blunder. This loss was a real sickener and completely ended my chances in the tournament. I am afraid I lost interest after this blow and finished with only 4½ points. I felt the following game was one of my most interesting.

White: R. Watson Black: P. Giulian

Alekhine's Defence B03

1	e4	Mf6
2	e5	Nd5
3	d4	d6
4	c4	Nb6
5	f4	Bf5?!

Whenever Black plays this move in strong over-theboard games, White continues 6 Nc3, but Ron decides to refute it!

6	Bd3	Bxd3
7	Qxd3	dxe5
8	fxe5	c5
0	Hf3	e6

The alternative is 9 ... cxd4 10 0-0 Nc6 11 e6 fxe6 12 Ng5 with a strong attack.

10	0-0	Tc6
11	IIc3	Wxd4
12	Bg5	Be7

I completely misassessed this position as being fine for Black but I can't see anything better.

13	Ne4	0-0				
14	Bxe7!	Qxe				

Not 14 ... Nxf3+ 15 Rxf3! Qxe7 16 Rh3 h6 17 Rxh6! winning. 15 Wxd4 Rfd8!

Not a bad move to have as it's the only one which doesn't lose immediately. If 15 ... cxd4 16 Nf6+ gxf6 17 Qg3+ Kh8 18 exf6 winning.

16	Nd6	cxd4				
17	Rxf7	Qg5				

Threatening Rxd6 winning the rook on f7. I feel sure White must be winning but it is not so easy. I reckon White must have an improvement somewhere about now, but what?

18 Rf3

If instead 18 Rxb7 Rf8 followed by Rf4 and Raf8.

18	****	Rf8
19	Rxf8+	Rxf8
20	Qxd4	Rf4
21	Qc5	h5!

The saving move. It stops problems on the back rank but also threatens Rg4 and meets g3 with h4.

22	Re1	Rg4
23	Qf2	Nxc4
24	Qf7+	Kh7
25	Nxc4	Rxc4
26	Qxe6	Rc1
27	Rxc1	Qxc1+
28	Kf2	Qxb2+

29 Kg3 Qc3+ 30 Kh4 Qe1+ 31 g3

If 31 Kxh5 Qe2+ followed by Qxg2 drawing easily.

31 Qf2 32 h3 b5

White can make no progress. The White queen has to defend the a-pawn and if he is careless Black will manage Kh6 threatening g5 mate or Qd4+, g4, Qf2 mate.

33 Qe7 Qxa2
34 Kxh5 b4
35 Qxb4 Qe2+
36 Kh4 Qxe5
37 Kg4 a5
38 Qa4 Qe1
Agreed drawn.



As I said at the start of this article, I thought Brian Martin might play solidly and take few risks. I was soon proved very wrong as he outplayed me in the opening. At the same time, he was declining draw offers in other games, including one from Cliff Chandler, the highest rated player in the Final. After a hard struggle I managed to draw with Brian and unfortunately for Brian this was the story in several of his games. Eight draws does not give the correct impression of his play, but he still feels he needs to play more aggressively in future. The following, with his own notes, is Brian's game with the eventual winner.

White: P.J.R. Millican Black: B. Martin

King's Gambit Accepted C34

1 e4 e5 2 f4 exf4 3 Nf3 d6

Fischer's Defence.

4 Bc4

Of good study value is a theoretical survey (by Bangiev) on the line: 4 d4 g5 5 h4 g4 6 Ng1 in New in Chess Magazine, 1989 No. 2, ten pages in length.

4 h6 5 d4

Weijman v Dempster in News Bulletin No. 21/22 p.38 went 5 d3?! g5 6 g3? (given a question mark by Dempster but not by Estrin & Glaskov in their King's Gambit book). 6 ... Nc6 7 gxf4 g4! 8 Ng1 Qh4+ 9 Kf1 Nf6 10 Kg2 Rg8 11 Nc3 Be6 (Estrin & Glaskov give 10 ... Rg8 g3 as being 11 Nc3 better than 10 ... Nh5 g3 11 Nc3 12 Qe1! Rg8 13 h3, White gaining the advantage.") 12 Bb5 0-0-0 13 Be3 d5 14 f5 Bd7 15 exd5 Ne5 16 Bf4 Nxd5 17 Nxd5 Bxb5 18 Bg3 Qg5 0-1 "White can't get his K-side pieces out." Reason for quoting this game is that I like the look of the line 10 ... Rg8 11 Nc3 Be6, and David Dempster has been getting a lot of good international results lately!

> 5 g5 6 g3

If instead 6 0-0, there is some fairly recent analysis in New in Chess Yearbook 14, which goes: 6 0-0 Bg7 7 g3 (7 c3 - or 6 c3 Bg7 7 0-0 -... Ne7 8 g3 Ng6 9 gxf4 gxf4 10 Kh1 Nc6 11 Rg1 Qf6 12 Nbd2 Bd7 13 e5 dxe5 14 Ne4 Qe7 15 d5 0-0-0! when Black is better - Burki -Metzger, Bern 1989) 7 ... g4 8 Nh4 (8 Bxf4 gxf3 9 Bxf7+ [9 Qxf3 Qe7] 9 ... Kxf7 10 Qxf3 Nf6 -+) 8 ... f3 9 Be3 Nf6 10 Nc3 Nc6 11 a3?! 0-0 12 Qd2 Nxe4! 13 Nxe4 d5 14 Bxh6 dxe4 15 c3? (15 Bxg7 Kxg7 16 c3 Ne5!, when Black is better) 15 ... Nxd4! 16 cxd4 Qxd4+ 17 Qxd4 Bxd4+ 18 Kh1 Re8 -+

19 Rad1 c5 20 b4 Be6 21 Bxe6 Rxe6 22 Nf5 e3 23 bxc5 e2 24 Rxd4 exf1=R mate Kujawski-Czerwonski, Slupsk 1989.

6 **I**Ic6

I expected 7 gxf4 g4 8 Ng1 Qh4+ 9 Kf1 Nf6 when it is almost identical to the Dempster game I quoted at move 5. And here, the books often cite: 10 Nc3 g3 11 Kg2 gxh2 12 Rxh2 Rg8+ 13 Kh1 and if ... Qg3 14 Be2 Ng4 15 Bxg4 Bxg4 16 Qd3! But I don't like 10 ... g3 and would probably prefer 10 ... Rg8, as did Dempster. The only difference between the two games is the positioning of White's d-pawn.

If instead 7 0-0 then ... Bg7 8 c3 Bh3! 9 gxf4 (9 Rf2 gives initiative to Black) ... Qd7. Now if 10 f5 Bxf1 11 Qxf1 Nf6, slightly better to Black according to BCO 2 page 355:47. ... Or if 10 Rf2 Nf6 11 Qe1 0-0-0 12 e5 (12 Bb5 d5!) ... dxe5 14 Nxe5 Nxe5 14 fxe5 Qg4+ 15 Kh1 Ne4 16 Re2 Bxe5!! 17 Nd2 Rxd4!! 18 cxd4 Bxd4 19 Bd5 Re8 20 Bxe4 Rxe4 21 Qg3 Rxe2 22 Qxg4+ Bxg4 Issler-Eggman, corr 0-1. 1966, an oft-quoted old game.

7 Bg7 8 gxf4

I expected White to castle, when 8 ... Bh3 transposes to the line 7 0-0 Bg7 8 c3 Bh3 in the above notes. Maybe my opponent didn't like the look of that, but it so happens he is a specialist in the King's Gambit, so I daren't criticise his moves. For only one example of his tremendous in-depth analysis of the K.G. (Double Muzio), see Correspondence Chess No. 102, pages 6 to 15!

8 g4 9 Ng1 Qh4+ 10 Kf1 Nf6 11 Qd3

On 11 e5 dxe5 12 dxe5 (best) ... Ne4 and if 13 Qe1 (13 Bxf7+ Kf8) ... Qxe1+ 14 Kxe1 f6! 15 exf6 Bxf6 16 Be3 Bh4+ 17 Kf1 Bf5. On 11 Qe2 ... Nh5 looked good.

11 Ne7?!

Around this point in the Championship, I also had small but definite advantages in three or four other games, but could only convert one of them into an eventual win, drawing eight altogether!

Here also, I felt confident but at this moment in the
game, as in several others,
failed to find a
constructive plan. With
hindsight, why didn't I
simply play 11 ... Bd7,
intending long castling.

I was afraid of 11 ... Bd7 12 e5 dxe5 13 dxe5. But I wonder if 13 ... 0-0-0!?! is still possible!

12 Qe2 c6 13 Bd3 d5 14 e5 Wh5 15 Qe1

White has to be constantly on guard against Black playing ... g3. so he swops queens.

15 Qxe1+
16 Kxe1 Bf5
17 Bxf5 Nxf5
18 Ne2 Bf8

White was threatening 19 Rg1, picking up the pawn.

19 Rg1 Rg8 20 Nd2 Be7 21 Nf1 Bh4+ 22 Neg3 Kd7 23 Ke2 Nhxg3 24 hxg3 Be7

Drawn, so I finished with 1 win, 1 loss and 8 draws.

Final Scores

- P. Millican 8, K. Bowyer 7%,
- C. Chandler 5%, A. Slinger,
- B. Martin, L. Bridges 5,
- P. Giulian, M. Singleton 41/2,
- R. Elliston 4, I. George 3%,
- R. Watson 21/2.

Final Scores: P Millican 8, K Bowyer 7k, C Chandler 5k, A Slinger, B Martin, L Bridges 5, P Giulian, M Singleton 4k, R Elliston 4, I George 3k, R Watson 2k.





ICCF INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENTS (by Alan Borwell)

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Tournaments are organised in 7 or 15 player sections, except World III Class which is 7-player only. They begin as soon (in theory) as entries have been received from seven different countries. Sometimes, in practice, there are two players from the same country, particularly from USSR or DDR. After you have selected a Class, you need to win a Section to be promoted and to score more than one-third of the points to avoid relegation!

The entry fee of £3.50 (for 7-player groups) or £4.50 (for 15-player groups) should be made payable to BPCF and sent to Mr. Michael Anderson, 3 Winterfield Gardens, Duns, Berwickshire, TD11 3EZ.

INTERNATIONAL REPORT

(by Philip Giulian)

We have a new Assistant International Secretary, Colin Macgregor, Top Flat Left, 9 Argyle Street, Paisley PA1 2ET. Most of the work of this post involves the organisation and running of the "friendly" internationals. Colin intends to continue the present policy of restricting these matches to countries with "quick" posts - Western Europe, USA, Australia, etc. Colin would like to hear from anyone with ideas of which countries would be suitable opponents and indeed whether or not the present policy is correct. Colin would also like to hear from anyone who has not received internationals requested in the past.

ICCF have given enthusiastic support and approval for Scotland's proposal to extend our International tournament to include a Ladies' Section. This is scheduled to start on April 1st. Apparently, this is the first international all-Ladies Section ever organised by a national federation. It is still very early days but there could be difficulties getting enough rated players. However, we are confident of assembling a good field with IM norms available, and invitations have already been sent out, although it will be a while before we get an idea of the response.

Latest scores in individual events: World Semi-Finals P. Giulian 8½/13; D. Kilgour 2/3.

John Kellner Memorial (Australia) - P. Giulian 4/6.

RESULTS:

Olympiad

Bd 3 A P Borwell 0 v Argentina Bd 4 T S Wickens 1 v Brazil

T S Wickens O v Czechoslovakia

Bd 5 P M Giulian % v Argentina

Bd 6 D A Kilgour 1 v Brazil

D A Kilgour % v Portugal

(Bd 4 6 D Pyrich has replaced T S Wickens for the remaining 4 games)

Current Olympiad Scores
Hungary 25½/26-71%
Czechoslovakia 25/39 - 64%
Scotland 25/42 - 59½%
Argentina 9½/17 - 56%
Portugal 21/39 - 54%
Norway 20½/40-51%
Top 3 likely to qualify
for next Olympiad Final

3rd WATT	Scotland v Austria
Bd 4 D A Kilgour 0 v Norway	Bd 3 A T Hislop 0 0
	G D Pyrich % 0
Scotland v Ireland	M Macleod 0
Bd 1 T J Craig 0 %	
Bd 5 A T Hislop 1 0	Scotland (11) v USA (35)
Bd 14 R Inglis 1/2 1/2	Bd 4 T J Craig 1/2 1/2
Bd 22 DL Gillespie 1 1	Bd 5 R Inglis 0 0
Bd 27 M Inglis 1 1	Bd 8 I Marshall 0 0
	Bd 15 AWI Campbell 0
Scotland(16%) v Australia(17%)	Bd 16 A Penman 0 ½
Bd 3 T J Craig 1 1	Bd 19 M Inglis 0 0
Bd 4 R Inglis 1 1/2	The second conditions of the first

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8		8 R Aiken Marshall 00
9	C McKenkie II R J P Kynoch O O	9 Ms I Aronoff I Mrs R Giulian o
10	A Sims II I Mackintosh Oo	10 R Bornholz II R J P Kynoch o
11	M Bruere O M Macleod I	11 S Greene o'/a M MacLeod 1 1/2
12	J Ramsden OO J C T MacNab ! I	12 R Abelson II D J Savage 00
13	G Ercilides A D Penman	13 DP Eilmes II I Mackintosh oo
14	S Field A Docherty	14 D G Arganian II J M T Ryan OO
15	T Passlow II D L Gillespie 00	15 W Neil I A W I Campbell o
16	C Glanville oo Mrs M Inglis 11	16 P Dyson I'ls A D Pennan 01/2
17	P Jonovic OO I W S Mitchell II	17 R Wong OIT Russell 10
18	D Roebuck D G Parsons	18 R Henock II D L Gillespie Oo
19	A D Holloway II J Stallard 00	19 W Hutchinson II Mrs M Inglis 00
20	H Larsen I Sneddon	20 R Posey I W S Mitchell
21	6 R Kelly B W Grant O	
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4	R MACHALA		2380			1			1/2		1/2	1		1
5	J KOLIN		2335		1/2	1/2	0	1/2	1	1/2	1	1/2	0	16
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Aus	Venger, Dr K	2200	0	1/2	1	1		1/2	1/2		

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SOLUTIONS

A 1 R1f6! 1:0

Van Osmael - Molenbroek, O'Kelly Memorial 1984-90

B 1 Rg4! a3 2 Qxh7+ 1:0

Rotariu-Vandorffy, Bucarest v Budapest 1961

C 1 h6! Wxh6 2 Kg3 1:0

Leisebein-Kornath, DDR CC 1987.

D 1 Rxg7+! Kxg7 2 Qg4+ 1:0 Mate follows after Rf7.

Bryan - Illingworth, British CC Candidates 1988-89.

R 1 hxg6 fxg6 2 Bc4+ Kh8 3 Rxh6+ 1:0. If 3 ... Bxh6 4 Qxh6+ Nh7 5 Ng5 Qc7 6 Nxh7 wins.

> McLardy - Barnsley, British CC Candidates 1988-89.

F 1 g4 Qf7 2 Rg7! 1:0

Leisebein-Kopplin, DDR

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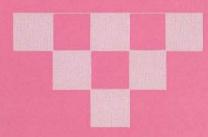
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