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# Editorial

by Alan Borwell No. 53  
March 1996

Our earlier fears of not having enough material for this issue were unfounded and we have another bumper number of games. The 1996 Scottish CC season is underway and Alan Hind gives us an update on the next page - a warm welcome to new and renewing members/subscribers!

On the international scene, David Kilgour has moved within one point of his GM title and hopefully also to qualification for the next World CC Championship Final. Scotland remains in Bronze medal position in the XI Olympiad Final, but it will be a close finish along with Canada and Russia for the third place. Already almost assured of the Gold and Silver medals are Germany and the combined Czechia-Slovakia team. Our outstanding Olympiad performer, GM Andy Muir, is featured on pages 17/21.

Results are now beginning to come in for the Bernard Partridge and Alan Shaw Memorial Tournaments (see middle pages) and we include a complete schedule of Friendly Internationals - we are pioneers in playing emerging CC countries!

A word of thanks, at the beginning of a new year, to our Advertisers and to all our domestic and international readers - your continued support is greatly appreciated!

Finally, please do try to come along to the AGM on Sunday 2nd June - see page 3 for the Notice - let our Secretary have any points you would like to have discussed at the meeting! Philip Giulian and Alan Armstrong have both intimated that they wish to retire from office, so we need some new volunteers for the Executive! Our grateful thanks to Phil and Alan for their efforts and we are pleased they are continuing as active CC players/controllers.

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# SECRETARIAL NOTES

[Alan Hind]

By the time you read these notes, play in the tournaments starting in January 1996 should be well underway. The end of one season and the start of the next is always a busy time for both Controllers and me and doesn't really quieten down until the medals have been ordered, engraved and distributed.

As regards the new season, entries are fairly static in terms of the overall number of players. It is extremely disappointing that there is no Championship this year due to lack of applicants with eligibility to play in it. However, there are three Candidates sections and a larger number of players competing in the Premiers, Majors and Minors.

To cater for those who express an interest in joining mid-season, or for those who want to take on extra games, it has been agreed that we will start sections of the Major and Minor as soon as we receive the appropriate number of entries and these sections will be of twelve months' duration, with winners and runners-up qualifying for the next promoted tournament to start. Unfortunately, there may be some delay until five people express an interest but those who wish will be given free opponents in the Challenge to tide them over. Also note that it is still possible to start the Challenge tournament or the Quartet mid-season.

We also offer mid-season Openings tournaments and in 1996 these will be:-

OT/96/C - King's Gambit Accepted 1 e4 e5 2 f4 exf4 3 Nf3 d5

OT/96/D - Queen's Gambit Accepted 1 d4 d5 2 c4 dxc4 3 e4 e5

Sections will begin as soon as 3 entries have been received, ie. 4 games each player. (Suggestions for future openings will be gratefully received!) Details of an Endgame Tournament will also be announced in the next edition of the Magazine. We hope you will support these initiatives as the Executive are keen to promote CC and make it attractive to a wider number of players. Entries to and information available from myself.

An additional initiative agreed by the Executive is our Membership Fees for mid-season new players. If you join and play in mid-season Major, Minor, etc, all you will be asked to pay is the number of Magazines still to be published in that subscription year (£2 per copy post paid) plus your tournament fee - what a bargain!

A final note on an administrative point agreed at our last Executive meeting is in relation to re-use of envelopes. This procedure is frowned upon as re-use of envelopes is usually the cause of significant time delays in postal games.

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Scottish CCA will be held at 4.00 p.m. on Sunday 2nd June 1996 at Chess Suppliers (Scotland), 15 Hope Street, Glasgow.

The Agenda will be:

- |                            |                                     |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Apologies               | 6. International Secretary's Report |
| 2. President's Remarks     | 7. Election of Office Bearers       |
| 3. Minutes of previous AGM | 8. Election of Auditor              |
| 4. Secretary's Report      | 9. Subscriptions                    |
| 5. Treasurer's Report      | 10. Any Other Business              |

If any member wishes to raise any item of business, notification should be in the hands of the Secretary by 31st May 1996 at the latest.

## 1995 Results

There were a few outstanding results from last season not reported in our last Magazine or in the Addendum to No. 52.

### In the Major Tournaments

Section A Beacon 0 McAinsh 1 (winner G. Lloyd with 6 pts)

Section B Crosbie ½ Riley ½ (winner S. Riley with 7½ pts)

### In the SCCA League

Division 1 Mitchell 0 Wood 1 }winners Bourne End Bucks with 7½ pts  
Hill ½ ½ Spencer ½ ½ }2nd Black Knight with 6 pts

Division 3 Tulloch 0 Seywright 2 }winners Edinburgh West with 8½ pts  
Macleod 2 Cornish 0 }2nd Lewis Chess Club with 6 pts

*Congratulations to the winners, including the new Scottish CCA League Champions, Bourne End Bucks!*

## CHAMPIONSHIP 1995/96

Controller: A. Maxwell

No		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Pts
1	J COPLEY	◆		½			0			
2	S R GILLAM		◆	1		1	1		0	
3	A T HISLOP	½	0	◆		0		½	0	
4	D A HUGHSON				◆		½	½		
5	G W G LIVIE		0	1		◆		1		
6	M P ROBERTS	1	0		½		◆	½	0	
7	T THOMSON			½	½	0	½	◆	0	
8	J WATSON		1	1			1	1	◆	

## CANDIDATES 1995/96

Controller: C.R. Beecham

### SECTION A

No		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Pts
1	S BRADY	◆			1			1	
2	M H DUNN		◆				0		
3	I MACKINTOSH			◆	1			1	
4	A MacQUEEN	0		0	◆				
5	S A MURRAY					◆			
6	J RYAN			1			◆		
7	K SEYFRIED	0			0			◆	

### SECTION B

No		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Pts
1	W M COOK	◆	1	½	½		1	½	
2	D R CUMMING	0	◆	0	½		1		
3	C J LENNOX	½	1	◆				½	
4	S MACGILCHRIST	½	½		◆				
5	A N MacMILLEN					◆			
6	A C NORRIS	0	0				◆		
7	R TURNER	½		½				◆	

## CHAMPIONSHIP 1996/7

*It has been decided that a new Championship Section will not begin in 1996 (see Secretarial Notes on page 2).*

## CANDIDATES 1996/97

Controller: C.R. Beecham

### SECTION A

No		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Pts
1	B GOODWIN	◆							
2	A WRIGHT		◆						
3	M HARKINS			◆					
4	J A CLAYTON				◆				
5	I A MACKINTOSH					◆			
6	A T HISLOP						◆		
7	A N MacMILLEN							◆	

### SECTION B

No		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Pts
1	D CRICHTON	◆							
2	A NISBET		◆						
3	J COPLEY			◆					
4	A R ANGUS				◆				
5	R TURNER					◆			
6	J RYAN						◆		
7	J A FINDLAY							◆	

### SECTION A

No		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Pts
1	D A HUGHSON	◆							
2	W M COOK		◆						
3	K SEYFRIED			◆					
4	D R R ELLIS				◆				
5	I REEMAN					◆			
6	G H BIRD						◆		
7	S COLLINS							◆	

## PREMIER TOURNAMENTS 1996

Controller: J. Anderson

### SECTION A

No		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Pts
1	W HYND	◆								
2	F HALL		◆							
3	G LLOYD			◆						
4	K GORDON				◆					
5	J A FINDLAY					◆				
6	A G E BIRD						◆			
7	S M YOUNG							◆		
8	S RILEY								◆	

### SECTION B

No		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Pts
1	D TRENNER	◆								
2	G SAXTON		◆							
3	R BEACON			◆						
4	S G MACKENZIE				◆					
5	W HARPER					◆				
6	D R CUMMING						◆			
7	I SNEDDON							◆		
8	R WESTON								◆	

### SECTION C

No		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Pts
1	K J GUTHRIE	◆							
2	M MAY		◆						
3	J M HERRIES			◆					
4	F TEUNISSE				◆				
5	A C BROWN					◆			
6	R A GIULIAN						◆		
7	M HARKINS							◆	

### SECTION D

No		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Pts
1	B MILLIGAN	◆							
2	A ROBERTS		◆						
3	A D KILGARIFF			◆					
4	F TEUNISSE				◆				
5	A MacQUEEN					◆			
6	A R ANGUS						◆		
7	S RILEY							◆	

## MAJOR TOURNAMENTS 1996

Controller: A. Maxwell

No	SECTION A	1	2	3	4	5	Pts
1	J I COLTART	◆					
2	A ARMSTRONG		◆				
3	J CASSIDY			◆			
4	R BEACON				◆		
5	T F Mcainsh					◆	

No	SECTION B	1	2	3	4	5	Pts
1	R B CROSBIE	◆					
2	T W POLLOCK		◆				
3	G LLOYD			◆			
4	S M YOUNG				◆		
5	R J SIMPSON					◆	

No	SECTION C	1	2	3	4	5	Pts
1	A KNOX	◆					
2	J I COLTART		◆				
3	G LLOYD			◆			
4	I SNEDDON				◆		
5	A D CRAWFORD					◆	

## MINOR TOURNAMENTS 1996

Controller: D.J. Savage

No	SECTION A	1	2	3	4	5	Pts
1	C M DOWELL	◆					
2	M JESSING		◆				
3	A R PETRIE			◆			
4	J S CRAWLEY				◆		
5	M G BROWN					◆	

No	SECTION B	1	2	3	4	Pts
1	S SUTHERLAND	◆				
2	J MORROW		◆			
3	J F CUMMING			◆		
4	J I COLTART				◆	

No	SECTION A	1	2	3	4	5	Pts
1	S A GIULIAN	◆					
2	J M ARMSTRONG		◆				
3	S DONOHOE			◆			
4	G HAMILTON				◆		
5	J W KILGOUR					◆	

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2	A MacQUEEN		◆			
3	A WRIGHT			◆		
4	E A BAILEY				◆	

No	Postal Shield	1	2	3	4	Pts
1	R BEACON	◆				
2	I MACKINTOSH		◆			
3	A C BROWN			◆		
4	A ROBERTS				◆	

No	Q188	1	2	3	4	Pts
1	R BEACON	◆				
2	J A CLAYTON		◆			
3	C DOWELL	○○	○	◆		
4	S SUTHERLAND	○○	○○	○○	◆	○

No	Q189	1	2	3	4	Pts
1	J ANDERSON	◆				
2	D McROBERTS		◆			
3	R LOUGHRAN			◆		
4	D R CUMMING				◆	

No	Q190	1	2	3	4	Pts
1	J CASSIDY	◆				
2	C MACGREGOR		◆			
3	B W GRANT			◆		
4	S M YOUNG				◆	

No	Q191	1	2	3	4	Pts
1	A G E BIRD	◆				
2	J W KILGOUR		◆			
3	G PLANT			◆		
4	T A H TAYLOR				◆	



## OPENINGS TOURNAMENTS 1996

Controller: T Thomson

No	Section A	1	2	3	Pts
1	J G BLENCOWE	◆			
2	J W KILGOUR		◆		
3	S SUTHERLAND			◆	

No	Section B	1	2	3	Pts
1	J CASSIDY	◆			
2	J S CRAWLEY		◆		
3	S M YOUNG			◆	

Opening moves are: 1 d4 c5 2 d5 f5 (Clarendon Court Defence)

*New* Mid-Season Openings Tournaments are available as follows:-

OT/96/C - King's Gambit Accepted 1 e4 e5 2 f4 exf4 3 ♖f3 d5

OT/96/D - Queen's Gambit Accepted 1 d4 d5 2 c4 dxc4 3 e4 e5

Entries to Alan Hind - Sections will begin when 3 entries have been received!

### MAJOR/MINOR/QUARTETS/CHALLENGE

Entries can be made at any time to Alan Hind. New pairings will be arranged when there are sufficient new players to do so.

# SCOTTISH CCA LEAGUE 1996

## DIVISION 1 (Controller - A. Nisbet)

### A BOURNE END BUCKS

- 1 J Watson v E1
- 2 R De Coverly v D2
- 3 A Reed v C3
- 4 E Tweeddale v B4
- 5 E Bolduc v F5

### C LEWIS CHESS CLUB "A"

- 1 A MacLeod v F1
- 2 M J MacLeod v B2
- 3 R Malcolmson v A3
- 4 C Wallace v E4
- 5 R Swiergala v D5

### E GIFFNOCK & CLARKSTON

- 1 C F Boyle v A1
- 2 I S Campbell v F2
- 3 R A Giulian v D3
- 4 W E Leithead v C4
- 5 A MacQueen v B5

## DIVISION 2 (Controller - J.P.E. Jack)

### A FIVE BRAVE ENGLISHMEN

- 1 D J R Barnes v E1
- 2 A N Morris v D2
- 3 K Champion v C3
- 4 R W Goosey v B4
- 5 A J C Rawlings v F5

### C CASTLEHILL 1

- 1 C A Wilman v F1
- 2 D R Reid v B2
- 3 R E Clapham v A3
- 4 D L Kleppang v E4
- 5 J Wilman v D5

### B KIRKCALDY KINGS

- 1 G D Pyrich v D1
- 2 T Thomson v C2
- 3 A Burnett v F3
- 4 I Marshall v A4
- 5 S Donohoe v E5

### D PERTH CORRESPONDENTS

- 1 A P Borwell v B1
- 2 I Mackintosh v A2
- 3 J N Falconer v E3
- 4 D Harvey v F4
- 5 I W S Mitchell v C5

### F BLACK KNIGHT

- 1 C R Beecham v C1
- 2 G R Sprott v E2
- 3 R Kilpatrick v B3
- 4 I F Reeman v D4
- 5 A T Hislop v A5

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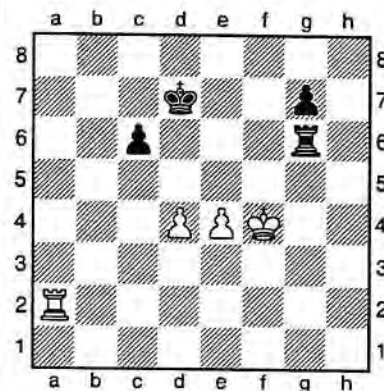
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We've had a few enquiries as to Soots' progress, so we decided that if we had a wee corner to fill, we would use it to update readers!



## CHALLENGE TOURNAMENT *[by Bernard Milligan]*

This is my second season as Challenge (Handicap) Controller. Many thanks to all those players who made the first season trouble-free. One of the greatest difficulties can be keeping track of results, so if any errors have crept in then please let me know, and accept my apologies.

It can also be difficult at times to find opponents for new members joining during the season. If you are willing to play further opponents, during the season, then please let me know.

Prizewinners for the 1995 season were:- C.R. James (9.1), R. Beacon (8.91), G. Lloyd (7.65), A.C. Brown (6.85) and D.R. Cumming (6.63). Well played one and all!

The following players also distinguished themselves by earning promotion:- A.C. Brown and S. Riley are promoted to Class 1; G. Lloyd, M. May and A. Roberts are promoted to Class 2; G. Plant and C. Riley are promoted to Class 3; C.R. James and A.R. Petrie are promoted to Class 4.

At the start of the new season, there were 24 entrants giving a total of 34 participants currently playing in the tournament. I wish you all the best of luck with your games - may all your pawns become Queens!

Pairings since the December Magazine are as follows:

Class 1	Pairings/Opponents' Membership Nos
A. Armstrong (049)	215, 264, 316, 339
R. Beacon (155)	166, 215, 264, 337
A.C. Brown (215)	L15, 049, 155
D.R. Cumming (166)	L15, 108, 155, 199, L88, 317, 337
J.P.E. Jack (L15)	166, 215, 233, 337
<b>Class 2</b>	
R.B. Crosbie (233)	L15, 108, 219, 261, 312, 327
G. Lloyd (264)	049, 155, 219, 315
M. May (199)	166, 229, 327, 337
<b>Class 3</b>	
C. Almazo-Mato (317)	166, 315, 316
C. Black (L88)	166,334
J. Cassidy (108)	166, 233, 319, 334, 339
C. Dowell (316)	049, 317, 319, 334
M.P. Ford (219)	233, 264, 319
M. Hodgson (339)	049, 108, 312
R. Loughran (337)	L15, 155, 166, 199, 312
G. Plant (229)	199, 312, 330

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Pairings since December Magazine (contd)

Class 4	Pairings/Opponents' Membership Nos.
C. Hammersley (327)	199, 233
C.R. James (312)	229, 233, 319, 327, 339
T.F. McAinsh (261)	233, 315, 330
A.R. Petrie (315)	261, 264, 317, 330, 334, 341
<b>Class 5</b>	
J. Dunnett (341)	315
A. Madden (330)	229, 261, 315
W. Miller (334)	108, L88, 315, 316
S. Robinson (319)	108, 219, 312, 316

The following results were notified in the period 1/12/95 to 24/2/96:

108 J. Cassidy	1 1	G. Ferguson	292
108 J. Cassidy	2 0	J. Armstrong	313
229 G. Plant	1 1	J. McMenemy	043
229 G. Plant	1 1	F. Andres	151
229 G. Plant	2 0	G. Lloyd	264
229 G. Plant	2 0	R. Crosbie	233
049 A. Armstrong	1 0	C. Dowell	316
049 A. Armstrong	1½ ½	D.R. Cumming	166
049 A. Armstrong	1 0	K. Gordon	051
315 A.R. Petrie	2 0	C.R. James	312
315 A.R. Petrie	2 0	S. Sutherland	308
166 D.R. Cumming	½ ½	J.P.E. Jack	L15
166 D.R. Cumming	1 0	R.B. Crosbie	233
233 R.B. Crosbie	1 0	M. May	199
051 K. Gordon	1½ ½	C. Dowell	316
264 G. Lloyd	1 1	C.R. James	312

No results have yet been received for the following games which began last season. If any of these games are completed, please let me know the results.

	Opponents' Mem.Nos		Opponents' Mem Nos
C. Almazo-Mato(317)	049(2), 057(2), 233(2), 264(2)	K. Gordon (051)	045, 155
A. Armstrong (049)	051, 166, 317(2)	C.R. James (312)	L84, 302(2), 314, 315(2), 318(2)
R. Beacon (155)	051, 316(2), 318(2)	G. Lloyd (264)	302, 317(2)
C. Black (L88)	166, 264, 312(2)	C.A. Macgregor (L84)	312
M.G. Brown (318)	155(2), 312(2)	P. McCrea (212)	292(2)
R.B. Crosbie (233)	317(2)	A. McIntosh (314)	308(2), 312
D.R. Cumming (166)	049, L88(2)	A.R. Petrie (315)	312(2), 316
G. Davies (289)	155(2)	I. Sneddon (057)	317(2)
C. Dowell (316)	155(2), 315	S. Sutherland (308)	314(2)
G. Ferguson (292)	212(2)		

## Meet Scotland's newest CC Grandmaster! Andrew J. Muir

In recent years, some of Scotland's leading over-the-board chess players have taken up postal chess and this has contributed greatly to the success being achieved, notably in the current Olympiad Final, where Scotland is challenging for the bronze medal against the top 13 CC nations. We asked our most recent CC Grandmaster, Andy Muir, to tell us about himself and share his thoughts about CC and life in general!



**Andrew Muir**

I was born on 17th October 1958 in Glasgow. My father was a Statistics Lecturer at Strathclyde University and my mother a teacher. I needed to wear glasses from the age of six and have been very studious ever since!

Indeed, it was whilst reading the Encyclopaedia Britannica at the age of nine that I first read about chess. I wanted to play through some games but didn't have a chess set so I used two packs of playing cards to play.



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This involved placing sixtyfour cards face down in the form of a square while the "pieces" would be face-up cards. For the kings and queens I would use the same playing cards as chess pieces, an "ace" would be a rook, a "jack" a bishop, a "10" a knight, "2-9" would be pawns!

I was fortunate that my school, St. Aloysius College had a chess club and we moved house in 1969 to live only half a mile away from Giffnock Chess Club, one of the biggest in Scotland. I first represented Scotland in Junior International tournaments in 1973 and played regularly in these till 1978.

In 1979 I graduated from Glasgow University with a BSc Hons Statistics degree. I decided I was not strong enough to play chess professionally so I started to study for Actuarial exams which I completed in 1986.

In 1987, having saved up some money, I started to work part-time in order to concentrate more on chess. I then concentrated full-time on chess between 1989 and 1991 and gained my International Master title (FIDE). I represented Scotland in the FIDE Olympiad in 1984, 1990 and 1992.

I first played correspondence chess in 1982 and scored my first IM norm in the Tournament of Merited Teams, 1986-89, a tournament of European cities, organised from Poland but won by Glasgow! I scored further IM norms in the preliminary section of the 4th European Team Champion-

ships and 3rd North Atlantic Team Tournament, and secured my GM title in the 11th Olympiad Final, with a score of 9/12 on Board 2.

I have only lost one correspondence chess game out of sixtyfour played. This was in the Tournament of Merited Teams when I sacrificed a pawn and never got it back!

I can attribute my success to several factors:

1. I have been lucky not to be hit by too many opening innovations!
2. Other things in life have not distracted me too much from my games!
3. Playing only one tournament at a time and deliberately not playing too many games at once.
4. I never play "quick" moves, no matter how obvious they may seem.
5. Writing down all my analysis so as not to forget it.

In 1991, I wanted to go back to full-time work but due to the advance of computers in the insurance industry, I took up another career in school-teaching. For the last three years, I have been doing supply teaching in the Strathclyde area. I was supposed to teach just mathematics, but I now end up teaching every subject in the curriculum and have taught in 68 different schools. I often phone the Regional Education Dept at 8.50 a.m. and they will tell me which school I have to go to. It can be a very tiring job because in the current moral

climate many schoolchildren have no respect for their elders and it can be impossible to control a class.

I believe one hundred points should be deducted from all chess ratings. There will always be inflation in any system, especially as it is in human nature for ways of improving rating for individuals for publicity etc. This would be one way of correcting this!

Although I don't like the introduction of computers in chess, as they take a lot of skill out of the game, making it more a test of who has the computer with the best memory or database, etc, I believe that correspondence chess rules should be changed so that any outside help is permitted. This would then make correspondence chess like project work, similar to the work schoolchildren have to undertake when doing continuous assessment for an exam. I certainly don't care what assistance my opponent is having during the game and just assume he is always going to play the best moves when doing my analysis.

I am not sure I shall be playing much correspondence chess in the near future. Whilst I have always found chess a fulfilling hobby, I cannot say the same about my career - either in actuarial work or in teaching.

Therefore, I intend over the next few years to spend more time concentrating on my career. I have recently started a new actuarial job which involves making insurance

quotations more "on line" in a computing sense. I also tutor two evenings a week in Mathematics and Physics.

I have also developed an interest in foreign travel. This started off when I played Junior International chess tournaments in the 1970s and I have now been to more than thirtyfive countries. Work permitting, these holidays have been getting longer and longer and involve going to far-flung places. During the Olympiad Final, I have been sending moves from e.g. Denmark or Thailand or Hungary and this involves making expensive telephone calls home to see if any postcards have arrived. My "Eastern European Tour" of last summer lasted eight weeks and you are only allowed four weeks holiday in international correspondence chess tournaments. What to do?



Andrew has delved into his archives to annotate the following game from the Tournament of Merited Teams, 1986-89.

Board 3

**White:** A.J. Muir (Glasgow)

**Black:** T. Peretjatkowicz (Warsaw)

Modern Benoni A67

1	d4	♟f6
2	c4	c5
3	d5	e6
4	♟c3	exd5
5	cxd5	d6

6 e4 g6  
7 f4 ♗g7  
8 ♖b5+ ♗fd7

Taimanov's Variation and this is the main line, stopping threats of e5. However, 8 ... ♗bd7 is a provocative alternative played at the highest level, e.g. 8 ... ♗bd7 9 e5 dxe5 10 fxe5 ♗h5 11 e6 ♖h4+ 12 g3 ♗xg3 13 hxg3 ♖xh1 14 ♖e3 ♗xc3+ 15 bxc3 a6 16 exd7+ ♗xd7 17 ♗xd7 ♗xd7 18 ♖b3! and White won in I.Sokolov-Topalov, 1996.

9 a4 0-0  
10 ♗f3 a6  
11 ♗e2

It is a question of style where to retreat this ♗. On e2 it is intended to meet Black's plan of ... ♗f6 and ... ♗b4 with e5. One of my recent adversaries, Adrian Hollis, was one of the first to play in this way. 11 ♗d3 is another option when White would play for f5 instead.

11 ..... ♖c7

Unusual. Now not 12 ♗d2? ♗d4!

12 0-0 c4!?

Now we see the point of 11 ... ♖c7. Black intends to develop his d7 ♗ on c5 and unravel his development another way. He is prepared to sacrifice the c4 pawn if necessary.

13 ♗d2 b5!

Not 13 ... ♗b6? 14 a5. Black sacrifices his less useful b-pawn rather than the c-pawn which is controlling some important squares.

14 axb5 ♗b6  
15 ♗h1!

I want to be able to recapture on b5 with my ♗ after ... axb5, without allowing ♖c5+. 15 bxa6? is too greedy. Black can play ♗xa6 followed by ♗8-d7-c5 with great dark-squared control, similar to that enjoyed in the Benko Gambit.

15 ..... ♗d7!

This improves on 15 ... ♗8d7 16 e5! dxe5 17 ♗de4 ♗b7 18 bxa6 ♖xa6 19 ♖xa6 ♗xa6 20 f5! ♗b7 21 f6 and White should win in Li Zunian-Sax, 1985.

16 e5!

I decide to sacrifice a pawn now, meeting 16 ... dxe5 by 17 ♗de4 rather than pawn grabbing by 16 bxa6.

16 ..... axb5  
17 ♖xa8 ♗xa8  
18 exd6!?

I could have played 18 ♗de4 here. Black is better placed than the Li Zunian-Sax game, having a ♗ on d7 rather than the ♗ and so can meet this with 18 ... dxe5 19 f5 ♗xf5, though 19 d6 is possible. I decide to regain my material with a tempo attack on the black ♖.

18 ..... ♖xd6  
19 ♗de4 ♖b4!

The most active square for the ♖.

20 ♖c2

I have to waste a tempo defending my b-pawn. I didn't like 20 ♖e3 ♖xb2 21 ♗d4 b4! 22 ♗xg7 ♗xg7 23 ♖d4+ f6 24 ♖b1 ♖a3 25 ♖c5 ♗a6 when Black has dangerous passed pawns or 20 d6 (giving up the c6 square to the b8 ♗), e.g. 20 ... ♗b6 21 ♖e3 ♖xb2 22 ♗d4 ♗c6!

20 ..... ♗a6  
21 ♗e3

If 21 d6 ♗f5!

21 ..... ♖e8

Threatening 22 ... f5.

22 ♖a1! ♗c8?

I didn't like this move at the time but I can't remember why! I have given it a question mark in my old notes but if 22 ... ♗6c7 ♗c5 or 22 ... ♗8c7 23 d6 seem good for White, perhaps 23 ... ♗c6 24 dxc7 ♗xc7 25 ♗f3 f5 might give some counterplay.

23 d6! ♗b7

If 23 ... f5 24 ♗d5 ♖xb2 25 ♖xb2 ♗xb2 26 ♗ef6+ ♗f7 27 d7! ♗xd7 28 ♖xa6 saves the ♖ just in time.

24 ♗f3 f5

Forcing the e4 ♗ to choose a square. If 24 ... ♗h8 25 d7 ♖d8 26 ♗g5 wins.

25 d7 ♖b8

26 ♗f6+! ♗xf6  
27 ♗xb7 ♗c7

If 27 ... ♖xb7 28 ♖xa6 ♖f8 (or if 27 ... ♗8c7 28 ♗xa6) 29 ♖d2 ♖b8 30 ♖d5+ ♗g7 31 ♖xf6+ ♗xf6 32 ♗d4+ wins.



28 ♖d2!!

My favourite move of the game. A waiting move, controlling the important squares: d4, d5, d7, d8. The more direct 28 ♗d5? fails to 28 ... ♗xd5 29 ♗xd5+ ♗g7 30 ♗xa8 ♖xa8 31 ♖xa8 ♖e1+ 32 ♗g1 ♗d4 33 ♖g8+ ♗h6! Black wins! Or 28 ♗f3 ♗g7! and ... ♖f8 and Black defends more easily.

28 ..... ♖xb7

If 28 ... ♖f8 29 ♗d5, or 28 ... ♗g7 29 ♗xa8 ♗xa8 30 ♗d4 ♖d6 31 ♗xb5!

29 ♖xa8+ Resigns  
1 0

Since if 29 ... ♗xa8 30 ♖d5+ wins.

# KARLIS BETINSCH MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT

[by George Pyrich]

Play began in the above tourney organised by the Latvian Correspondence Chess Federation on 27th June 1993. The event was held to commemorate the memory of Karlis Betinsch (1867-1943), a leading over-the-board and correspondence player and chess journalist in Baltic circles in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

The cross-table below lists results to date :-

No		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	Pts
1	U. Rinkis (LAT) 2200	◆	1	0	½	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	½	0	10
2	R. Talving (EST) 2370	0	◆	1	0	0	1	1	1	1		0	0	1	0	0	6
3	S. Lyly (FIN) 2385	1	0	◆	½	1	1	1	1	½	0	0	½	1	0	0	7½
4	P. Hugentobler (SWZ) 2400	½	1	½	◆	1	1	1	1		1	1	½	½	1	½	10½
5	V. Spinga (LAT) 2200	0	1	0	0	◆	0	½	1	0	½	0	½	½	½	0	4½
6	G.D. Pyrich (SCO) 2335	0	0	0	0	1	◆	½	0	1	1	1	½	½	½	½	6½
7	J. Elburg (NLD) 2345	0	0	0	0	½	½	◆	1	0	½	½	½		½	½	4½
8	H. Tomson (EST) 2375	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	◆	0	½	½	0	½	0	0	2½
9	Z. Petraitis (LIT) 2370	0	½		1	0	1	1	◆		1	0	½	1			6
10	B. Budleviskis (AUS) 2375	0	1	0	½	0	½	½		◆		0	1				3½
11	A. Roze (LAT) 2415	0	1	1	0	1	0	½	½	0		◆	½	1	0	0	8½
12	L. Rydholm (SVE) 2440	0	1	½	½	½	½	½	1	1	1	½	◆	1	1	0	9
13	P. Schadurskis (LAT) 2470	0	0	0	½	½	½	½	½	½	0	0	0	◆	0	0	2½
14	B. Volaks (LAT) 2200	½	1	1	0	½	½	½	1	0		1	0	1	◆	0	7
15	A. Kupsys (LIT) 2440	1	1	1	½	1	½	½	1			1	1	1	1	◆	10½

For me, this was a very strong event. I began inauspiciously with 2 disastrous losses (with my favourite Kann variation of the Sicilian) to Lyly and Tomson, which immediately placed the IM score (9½ pts) hopelessly out of reach. Thereafter I was like a gambler chasing his losses and speculative play resulted in further losses. Things improved nearer the end and four wins gave my final score some respectability.

The selection of games which follows shows the competitive nature of the event (witness the relatively low proportion of draws in the cross-table). Some games are taken from the Latvian CCF publication *Latvijas Korespondencsahs*, an excellent magazine which I can strongly recommend. Six issues are produced annually and subscriptions are available from Latvian Correspondence Chess Federation (Mr. Karlis Vitols), P.O. Box 201, Riga, LV-1050, Latvia, at the rate of US\$20 per annum.

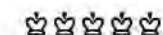


White: Lennart Rydholm (SVE)  
Black: Alfonsas Kupsys (LIT)

Nimzo - Capablanca E32

- |    |       |         |
|----|-------|---------|
| 1  | d4    | ♘f6     |
| 2  | c4    | e6      |
| 3  | ♗c3   | ♙b4     |
| 4  | ♞c2   | 0-0     |
| 5  | a3    | ♙xc3+   |
| 6  | ♞xc3  | b6      |
| 7  | ♙g5   | h6      |
| 8  | ♙h4   | ♙a6     |
| 9  | ♞c1   | d6      |
| 10 | ♞f3   | ♙bd7    |
| 11 | e3    | ♞c8     |
| 12 | b4    | d5      |
| 13 | cxd5  |         |
| 13 | b5    | ♙b7     |
| 14 | c5    | bxc5    |
| 15 | dxcc5 | c6      |
| 16 | bxc6  | ♞a5+    |
| 17 | ♙d1   | ♙xc6 -+ |
| 13 | ..... | ♙xf1    |
| 14 | dxex6 | fxex6   |
| 15 | ♙xf1  | c5      |
| 16 | bxc5  | bxc5    |
| 17 | ♙xf6  | ♙xf6    |
| 18 | ♙e2   | cxdd4   |
| 19 | ♞xc8  | ♞xc8    |
| 20 | exd4  | ♞c2     |
| 21 | ♞c3   | ♞b1+    |
| 22 | ♞c1   | ♞b8     |

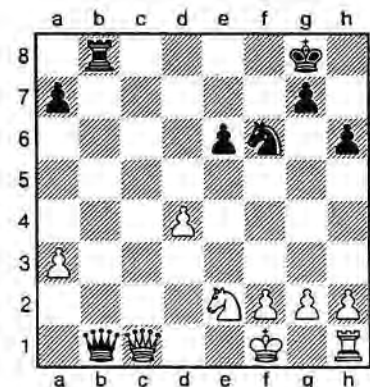
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|----|------|------|
| 23 | f3   | ♞f5  |
| 24 | ♙f2  | ♙e4+ |
| 25 | ♙g1  | ♞b5  |
| 26 | ♙f1  | ♞d3  |
| 27 | fxe4 | ♞b1  |
| 28 | ♙f2  | ♞xc1 |
| 29 | ♞xc1 | ♞xa3 |
| 30 | ♞c6  | ♞a2  |
| 31 | ♙f3  | a5   |
| 32 | ♙c3  | ♞b3  |
| 33 | d5   | exd5 |
| 34 | exd5 | a4   |
| 35 | ♙e4  | a3   |
| 36 | d6   | ♙f7  |
| 37 | d7   | ♞e7  |
| 38 | ♞d6  | ♙d8  |
| 39 | ♞d3  | a2   |
| 40 | ♙xa2 | ♞xa2 |
| 41 | ♙f3  | ♞f7+ |
|    | 0    | 1    |



White: Patrick Hugentobler (SWZ)  
Black: Peteris Schadurskis (LAT)

French Classical C11

(Notes by Hugentobler)



- |    |       |       |
|----|-------|-------|
| 1  | e4    | e6    |
| 2  | d4    | d5    |
| 3  | ♙c3   | ♙f6   |
| 4  | e5    | ♙fd7  |
| 5  | f4    | c5    |
| 6  | ♙f3   | ♙c6   |
| 7  | ♙e3   | cxdd4 |
| 8  | ♙xd4  | ♙c5   |
| 9  | ♞d2   | 0-0   |
| 10 | 0-0-0 | a6    |
| 11 | h4    | ♙xd4  |
| 12 | ♙xd4  | b5    |
| 13 | ♙e2   | a5    |

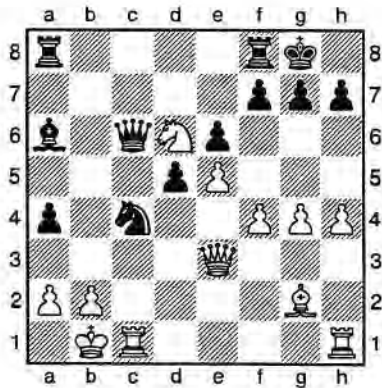
14 ♖e3 ♗c7  
 15 ♜xc5 ♜xc5  
 16 ♜d4 b4  
 17 g4 a4  
 18 ♜g2

18 ♜b1 a3 19 ♜b3? (19 b3 ♜e4  
 20 ♜b5 ♗c6 21 ♜d3 ♜c3+  
 22 ♜xc3 ♗xc3 23 ♗c1 ⇒) 19 ...  
 ♜xb3 20 axb3 axb2 21 ♜xb2 ♜a2+  
 22 ♜xa2 ♗xc2+ -+.

18 ..... b3  
 19 cxb3 ♜xb3+  
 20 ♜b1 ♜a5  
 21 ♜b5

21 f5? ♜c4 22 ♗g5 ♗xe5 23  
 ♜hel ♗b8 24 ♜e2 f6 ♢.

21 ..... ♗c6  
 22 ♜d6 ♜a6  
 23 ♜c1 ♜c4



24 ♜xc4 ♜xc4  
 25 ♜c1 ♗a6

25 ... ♗c7 26 ♜xc4 dxc4 27 ♜xa8  
 ♜xa8 28 ♗e4 ♜c8 29 ♜c3 =, 25...  
 ♗d7 26 ♜xc4 dxc4 27 ♜xa8 ♜xa8  
 28 ♜xc4 ♗d1+ 29 ♗c1 ±.

26 ♜xc4 dxc4  
 27 ♜xa8 ♜xa8  
 28 h5 ♜b8  
 29 ♗e2 ♜c8  
 30 g5

30 ♜c3 ♗b6 31 ♜xc4 ♗g1+  
 32 ♜c2 ♜xc4+ 33 ♗xc4 ♗f2+ 34  
 ♜c3 ♗e1+ 35 ♜d4 ♗f2+ =.

30 ..... ♗c6  
 31 ♜c3 ♜f8

31 ... ♗d5 32 ♜c2 ♗d4 33 ♗e3  
 ♜d8 (33 ... ♗d5 34 ♗f3 ♗d4  
 35 ♗e3 ♗d5 ⇒) 34 ♗xd4 ♜xd4  
 35 b3 axb3+ 36 axb3 cxb3+ 37  
 ♜xb3 =.

32 ♗f3 ♗d5  
 33 ♗xd5 exd5  
 34 ♜a3

34 b3? axb3 35 axb3 ♜b8 36 ♜c2  
 ♜xb3 37 ♜xb3 cxb3+ 38 ♜xb3 g6  
 39 hxg6 hxg6 40 ♜c3 ♜e7 41 ♜d4  
 ♜e6 42 ♜c5 ♜f5 43 ♜xd5 ♜xf4  
 -+.

34 ..... ♜a8  
 35 b3 cxb3  
 36 axb3 ♜b8  
 37 ♜xa4 ♜xb3+  
 38 ♜c2 ♜f3  
 39 ♜d2 g6

40 h6

40 hxg6 hxg6 41 ♜d4 ♜e7 42 ♜e2  
 ♜a3 43 ♜xd5 ♜e6 44 ♜d6+ ♜e7  
 45 ♜d3 ♜xd3 46 ♜xd3 ♜e6  
 47 ♜e4 ♜e7 48 f5 gxf5+ 49 ♜xf5  
 ♜d7 50 ♜f6 ♜e8 51 e6 ♜f8 =.

40 ..... ♜e7  
 41 ♜e2 ♜b3  
 42 ♜a8 ♜e6  
 43 ♜a6+

43 ♜h8 ♜b4 44 ♜e3 ♜e4+  
 45 ♜f3 ♜f5 46 ♜xh7 ♜xf4+ 47  
 ♜g3 ♜xg5 -+.

43 ..... ♜e7  
 44 ♜d6 ♜b4  
 45 ♜e3 ♜b3+  
 46 ♜d4 ♜b4+  
 47 ♜xd5 ♜xf4  
 48 ♜a6 ♜f1

48 ... ♜f5 49 ♜a7+ ♜d8 50 ♜d6  
 ♜c8 51 ♜a8+ ♜b7 52 ♜h8 +-.

49 ♜a7+ ♜f8

49 ... ♜e8? 50 e6 ♜d1+ 51 ♜e5  
 ♜e1+ 52 ♜f6 ♜xe6+ 53 ♜g7 +-.

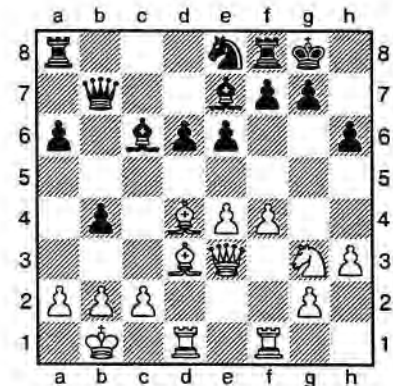
50 ♜a8+  
 ½ ½  
 ♜ ♜ ♜ ♜ ♜

White: Alfonsas Kupsys (LIT)  
 Black: Uldis Rinkis (LAT)

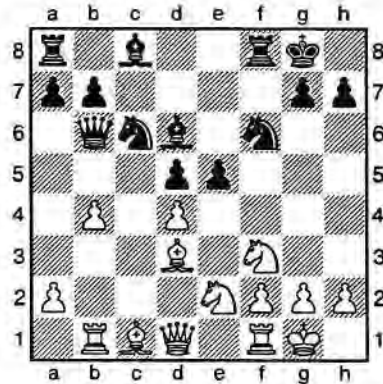
Sicilian - Richter B66

1 e4 c5  
 2 ♜f3 d6  
 3 d4 cxd4

4 ♜xd4 ♜f6  
 5 ♜c3 ♜c6  
 6 ♜g5 e6  
 7 ♗d2 a6  
 8 0-0-0 b6  
 9 ♜e3 ♜e7  
 10 f4 ♜d7  
 11 ♜d3 b5  
 12 h3 ♜xd4  
 13 ♜xd4 ♜c6  
 14 ♗e3 0-0  
 15 ♜b1 ♗c7  
 16 ♜hf1 b4  
 17 ♜e2 ♗b7  
 18 ♜g3 ♜e8  
 19 e5 dxe5  
 20 ♜xe5 ♜f6  
 21 ♜xf6 ♜xf6  
 22 ♜h5 ♗e7  
 23 g4 ♜b5  
 24 ♜xf6+ ♗xf6  
 25 g5 hxg5  
 26 fxe5 ♗e7  
 27 ♜xb5 axb5  
 28 h4 ♜ac8  
 29 h5 ♗c5  
 30 ♗d2 ♜fd8



31	♖xd8+	♜xd8
32	♜xd8+	♚h7
33	g6+	fxg6
34	hxg6+	♙xg6
35	♜d2	♖g5
36	♜d4	♖e7
37	♜g4+	♙h5
38	♜e4	g5
39	♜fe1	♖d6
40	♜xe6	♖g3
41	♜h1+	♙g4
42	♜e4+	♙f3
43	♜xb4	♖g2
44	♜c1	Resigns
1		0



[A good example of the power of united rooks against a Queen and loose pawns! - Editor]



White: Alfonsas Kupsys (LIT)  
Black: Peteris Schadurskis (LAT)

French - Advance C06

1	e4	e6
2	d4	d5
3	♘d2	♘f6
4	e5	♘fd7
5	♙d3	c5
6	c3	♘c6
7	♘e2	♖b6
8	♘f3	cxd4
9	cxd4	f6
10	exf6	♘xf6
11	0-0	♙d6
12	♜b1	0-0
13	b4	e5

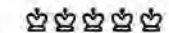
14	dxe5	♘xe5
15	♘xe5	♙xe5
16	♙f4	♖d6
17	♖d2	♘g4
18	g3	♙d7
19	♙xe5	♘xe5
20	♙e4	♙e6
21	♜bd1	♜ad8
22	♘f4	d4
23	♘xe6	♖xe6
24	♙xb7	d3
25	♖e3	♖f5
26	♙e4	♖h5
27	f3	♜f6
28	♙xd3	♜e8
29	♙e4	a6
30	♜d5	♜fe6
31	♖b3	♙h8
32	f4	♖e2
33	♜xe5	♜xe5
34	fxe5	♖xe4
35	♖f7	♖a8
36	e6	h6
37	♖d7	♜d8
38	e7	♜e8
39	♖xe8+	Resigns
1		0

White: Bruno Budlevskis (AUS)  
Black: George Pyrich (SCO)

Sicilian -Taimanov B48

1	e4	c5
2	♘f3	e6
3	d4	cxd4
4	♘xd4	♘c6
5	♘c3	♖c7
6	♙e3	a6
7	♙d3	♘f6
8	0-0	♙d6
9	♘xc6	bxc6
10	f4	e5
11	f5	♙e7
12	♖f3	♙b7
13	♘a4	d5
14	♙b6	♖b8
15	♙c5	♙xc5+
16	♘xc5	♙c8
17	♘b3	0-0
18	c4	♖b6+
19	♜f2	

19	.....	a5
20	♜e1	♜e8
21	cxd5	cxd5
22	exd5	♙b7
23	♙c4	e4
24	♖e2	♜e5
25	♙h1	a4
26	♘a1	♙xd5
27	♙xd5	♜xd5
28	♜c1	e3
29	♜ff1	♜d2
30	♖f3	♜e8
	0	1



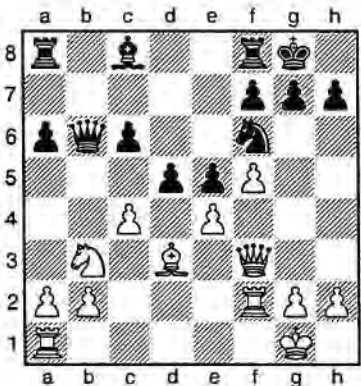
White: Aigars Roze (LAT)  
Black: Uldis Rinkis (LAT)

Sicilian - Richter B66

(Notes by Uldis Rinkis)

1	e4	c5
2	♘f3	d6
3	d4	exd4
4	♘xd4	♘f6
5	♘c3	♘c6
6	♙g5	e6
7	♖d2	a6
8	0-0-0	h6
9	♙e3	♙e7
10	f3	♘xd4
11	♙xd4	b5
12	♙b1	♜b8
13	♖e3?!	

19 c5 ♖b4 20 exd5 e4 21 ♖f4 cxd5  
22 ♜ac1 a5 23 ♙e2 a4 ∞.



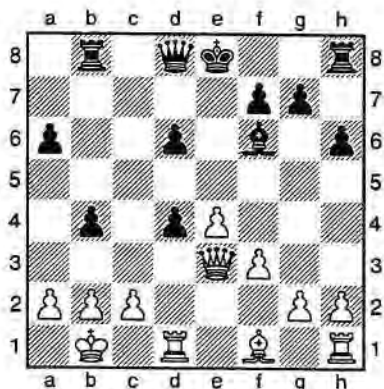
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13 ♖f2 ♖a5 14 h4 b4 15 ♘e2 e5  
16 ♙a7 ♜b7 17 ♘c1 ♙e6 18 ♙e3  
d5 19 ♘b3 ♖a4 20 ♙c5 0-0 21 g4  
dxe4 22 ♙xe7 ♜xe7 23 g5 ♘h5  
24 gxh6 g6 25 fxe4 ♖c6 26 ♜g1

♖h7 27 ♜g5 ♙xb3 28 axb3 ♜f4  
 29 h5 ♜xh5 30 ♖d2 a5 31 ♜xh5  
 gxh5 32 ♙h3 f6!? (32 ... ♖h8  
 33 ♜g1 f6 34 ♖g2 f5? 35 h7! ♖e8  
 36 ♙xf5 +-, Judasin-Kovalev,  
 Simferopol 1988) 33 ♙f5+ ♖h8 34  
 ♜g1 ♖a8 35 h7 ♖a7 36 ♜h1? (♙  
 36 ♜g6) 36 ... a4 37 ♖xb4 axb3  
 38 cxb3 ∞, Elburg-Rinkis, Karlis  
 Betinsch Memorial.

13 ..... b4  
 14 ♜a4

14 ♜e2?! e5 15 ♙a7 ♜b7 ♖c7.

14 ..... ♙d7  
 15 ♜b6 e5  
 16 ♜xd7 exd4  
 17 ♜xf6+ ♙xf6



18 ♜xd4!?

18 ♖d3 a5 =.

18 ..... ♙xd4  
 19 ♖xd4 ♖g5!  
 20 h4?

20 ♖xd6? ♜d8 21 ♖c6+ ♖f8 ♚; or  
 20 ♙xa6 ♖xg2 21 ♜g1 ♖xh2  
 22 ♜xg7 ♖e5 ♚; or 20 g3!? (Δf4)  
 ♖e5 21 ♖xe5+ dxe5 22 ♙xa6 ∞.

20 ..... ♖c5!  
 21 ♖xc5

21 ♖xg7?! ♖e7! ♚.

21 ..... dxc5  
 22 ♙xa6 ♜b6  
 23 ♙c4 ♜g6!  
 24 ♜g1

24 g4 ♜f6!

24 ..... ♖e7  
 25 g3 ♜f6  
 26 ♜f1 g5  
 27 h5 ♜d8  
 28 ♙d5 g4?!  
 29 f4 ♜fd6  
 30 f5 ♖f6  
 31 c3!?

31 a4! bxa3 32 bxa3 ♖g5 33 ♙xf7  
 ♜d1+ 34 ♜xd1 ♜xd1+ 35 ♖b2  
 ♜g1 36 a4 ♜xg3 37 a5 ♜a3  
 38 ♖xa3 g3 39 a6 g2 40 a7 g1=♖  
 41 a8=♖ ♖a1+ 42 ♙a2 ♖c3+ 43  
 ♙b3 =.

31 ..... ♜6d7  
 32 ♖c2 ♜b8  
 33 ♖d3 ♜a7  
 34 ♜f2 bxc3  
 35 ♖xc3 ♜b4  
 36 ♙c4 ♜aa4  
 37 b3?

37 ♙b3 ♜a7 38 ♙c4 =.

37 ..... ♜xc4+!  
 38 bxc4 ♜a3+  
 39 ♖b2 ♜xg3  
 40 ♜d2?

♙40 ♜e2 ♜d3 41 ♖c2 ♜h3 ♚.

40 ..... ♜e3  
 41 a4 ♜xe4  
 42 ♖c3 ♖xf5  
 43 ♜d5+ ♖f4  
 44 ♜xc5 g3  
 45 ♜b5 g2  
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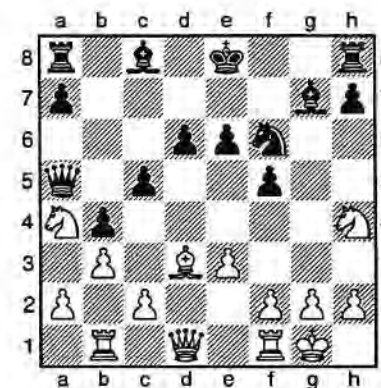
White: George Pyrich (SCO)  
 Black: Rene Talving (EST)

Benoni - Benko A43

1 d4 ♜f6  
 2 ♜f3 c5  
 3 d5 b5  
 4 ♙g5 ♖b6  
 5 ♜c3 b4  
 6 ♜a4 ♖a5  
 7 ♙xf6 gxf6  
 8 b3 ♙g7  
 9 e3 f5  
 10 ♜b1 d6  
 11 ♙d3 ♜d7  
 12 0-0

12 ♙xf5 ♜b6 13 ♙xc8 ♜xc8 14  
 ♜xb6 axb6 15 e4 ♜a8 ♚.

12 ..... ♜f6  
 13 ♜h4 e6  
 14 dxe6 fx6



15 ♙xf5?!

♙15 ♙e2 d5 16 ♙h5+ ∞.

15 ..... exf5  
 16 ♖xd6 ♖f7!  
 17 ♜bd1 ♜e8  
 18 ♜xc5 ♙f8  
 19 ♖c6 ♖xc5  
 20 ♖xa8 ♙a6  
 21 ♖f3 ♙xf1  
 22 ♖xf1 ♜e5  
 23 ♜c1 ♖d5  
 24 ♖xd5+ ♜xd5  
 25 c4 ♜a5  
 26 ♜c2 ♜e4  
 27 c5?

♙27 ♜f3 ♜c3 28 ♜d4 ♜xa2  
 29 ♜xa2 ♜xa2 30 ♖c1 ♚.

27 ..... ♖e6  
 28 c6 ♜c3  
 29 ♜d2 ♜xa2  
 30 ♜xa2 ♜xa2  
 31 ♜xf5 ♙c5



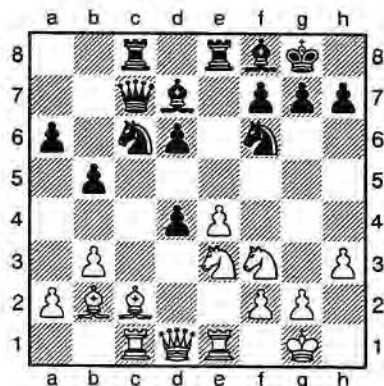
32 ♖e1 ♜c1  
 33 ♖d2 ♜xb3+  
 34 ♖d3 ♜a5  
 0 1

♔♔♔♔♔

White: Boleslavs Volaks (LAT)  
 Black: George Pyrich (SCO)

Ruy Lopez - Closed Morphy C99

1 e4 e5  
 2 ♟f3 ♟c6  
 3 ♞b5 a6  
 4 ♞a4 ♟f6  
 5 0-0 ♟e7  
 6 ♞e1 b5  
 7 ♞b3 0-0  
 8 c3 d6  
 9 h3 ♟a5  
 10 ♟c2 c5  
 11 d4 ♟c7  
 12 ♟bd2 cxd4  
 13 cxd4 ♟d7  
 14 ♟f1 ♞ac8  
 15 ♟e3 ♞fe8  
 16 b3 ♟c6  
 17 ♟b2 ♟f8  
 18 ♞c1 exd4



19 ♟xd4

19 ♟d5 ♟d8 20 ♟xd4 (20 ♟xf6+)  
 20 ... ♟xd5 21 exd5 ♞xe1+ 22  
 ♟xe1 ♟xd4 23 ♟xd4 ♟g5 ♚.

19 ..... ♟xd4  
 20 ♟xd4 ♟d8  
 21 f3 g6  
 22 ♟d3

22 ♟b2 (Δ♟a3 or ♟d4) ♟h5 23  
 ♟d4 ♞e5 (Δ♟h4).

22 ..... ♟h6  
 23 ♞xc8 ♟xc8  
 24 ♟a1 ♟h5  
 25 ♟d5 ♟e6  
 26 ♟f6+ ♟xf6  
 27 ♟xf6 ♟d7  
 28 ♟d4 ♞c8  
 29 ♞d1 ♟c6  
 30 ♔ ½ ♚ ½

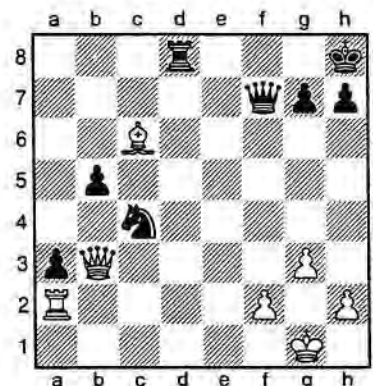
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White: Vilmars Spinga (LAT)  
 Black: George Pyrich (SCO)

English A29

1 c4 e5  
 2 ♟c3 ♟f6  
 3 ♟f3 ♟c6  
 4 g3 d5  
 5 cxd5 ♟xd5  
 6 ♟g2 ♟b6  
 7 0-0 ♟e7  
 8 a3 0-0  
 9 b4 ♟e6  
 10 ♞b1 f6  
 11 d3 ♟d4  
 12 ♟d2 c6  
 13 ♟b2 a5  
 14 e3 ♟f5

15 b5 cxb5  
 16 ♟xb5 ♟d7  
 17 ♟a1 ♞ab8  
 18 d4 exd4  
 19 e4 ♟d6  
 20 ♟xd4 ♟dc4  
 21 ♟xe6 ♟xe6  
 22 ♟b3 ♟xa3  
 23 e5 ♟b4  
 24 ♞fd1 ♟xd2  
 25 ♞xd2 fxe5  
 26 ♞c1 a4  
 27 ♟a2 ♞f7  
 28 ♞dc2 ♞c8  
 29 ♟f1 ♞fc7  
 30 ♟xe5 ♟xe5  
 31 ♟xc4+ ♟h8  
 32 ♟d3 ♞xc2  
 33 ♞xc2 ♞d8  
 34 ♞e2 ♟d5  
 35 ♟c2 a3  
 36 ♟e4 ♟f7  
 37 ♟b1 ♟c4  
 38 ♟b3 b6  
 39 ♞a2 b5  
 40 ♟c6



40 ..... ♟e3!  
 0 1

[Nice one, George! - Editor]

White: Patrick Hugentobler (SWZ)  
 Black: Aigars Roze (LAT)

Sicilian Najdorf B87

(Notes by P. Hugentobler)

1 e4 c5  
 2 ♟f3 d6  
 3 d4 cxd4  
 4 ♟xd4 ♟f6  
 5 ♟c3 a6  
 6 ♟c4 e6  
 7 ♟b3 b5  
 8 0-0 ♟e7  
 9 ♟f3 ♟d7  
 10 ♟g3 ♟b7  
 11 ♞e1 ♟c6  
 12 ♟xc6 ♟xc6  
 13 a3 0-0  
 14 ♟h6 ♟e8  
 15 ♞ad1 ♟c7  
 16 ♞d3 a5  
 17 ♟g5 ♞b8  
 18 ♟xe7

18 a4? b4 19 ♟b1 ♟xg5 20 ♟xg5  
 ♟b7 =.

18 ..... ♟xe7  
 19 ♞d4 ♟a7  
 20 ♟e3 ♟c5  
 21 ♞ed1

21 a4 b4 22 ♟b1 ♟f6 23 ♟d2??  
 ♟g4 -+.

21 ..... a4  
 22 ♟a2 b4  
 23 axb4 ♞xb4  
 24 ♟d3 h6

24 ... ♖xb2 25 ♖c4 ♗b5 26 ♖xa4 ♗a7 27 ♖xb2 ♗xa2 28 ♗b3 ♗xc4 29 ♖xc4 =.

25 ♖xb4 ♗xb4  
26 ♗c4 ♗b7  
27 f3

27 ♖xa4? ♗xe4 28 f3 ♗d5 +-.

27 ..... ♗f6  
28 ♖xd6 ♖c8  
29 ♖d1

29 ♖h1 ♗d7 30 ♗d3 ♗xb2 31 ♗c4 a3 +-.

29 ..... ♗xe4  
30 ♗xa4 ♗xc2  
31 ♗d4 e5  
32 ♗e3

32 ♗d2 ♗a7+ 33 ♖e3 ♗xa2 34 ♖xc2 ♗xb2 35 ♖d8+ ♖xd8 36 ♗xd8+ ♖h7 37 ♗d3+ g6 ♯.

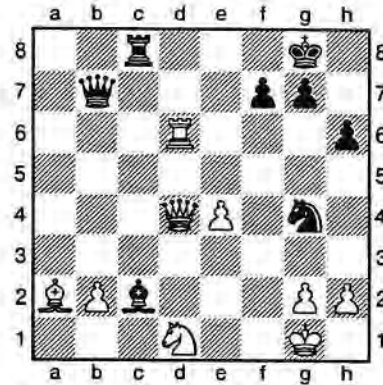
32 ..... e4

32 ... ♗xd1 33 ♖xd1 ♗xb2 34 ♗a7 ♖f8 ♯.

33 ♖xe4 ♖g4

♞33 ... ♖xe4! 34 ♗d5 ♗b8 (34 ... ♗b4 35 ♖d7 ♗xd1 36 ♗xe4 ♖e8 37 ♖xd1 ♖xe4 38 ♗d2 =) 35 ♖d7 ♖f6 36 ♗xf7+ ♖h8 37 ♖d2 ♖g4 38 ♗g3 (38 ♗d4 ♗xh2+ 39 ♖f1 ♗h1+ 40 ♖e2 ♗xd1+ 41 ♖xd1 ♗xg2+ +-).

34 ♗d4



34 ..... ♗xd1??

34 ... ♗xe4 35 ♗d5 ♗xd5 36 ♖xd5 =.

35 ♖g6! Resigns  
1 0

♞♞♞♞♞

White: George Pyrich (SCO)  
Black: Peteris Schadurskis (LAT)

KI Attack A08

1 ♖f3 d5  
2 ♖g3 c5  
3 ♗g2 e5?!

When I received this, I replied repeating all 3 moves, implicitly suggesting to my opponent that he had made a clerical error - "No," he politely replied, "the purpose of my moves will later become apparent"!!

4 ♖xe5 ♗d6

5 ♖f3  
Unnerved already! ♞5 d4.

5 ..... ♖c6  
6 d4 ♗f5  
7 0-0 ♖ge7  
8 c4 dxc4  
9 ♗a4 ♗e6  
10 e4?

♞10 ♖d1 ±.

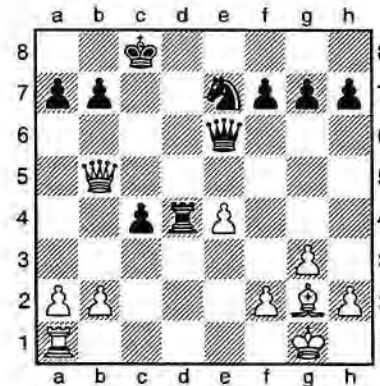
10 ..... cxd4  
11 ♖xd4 ♗d7  
12 ♖xe6 ♗xe6  
13 ♖d2 ♗b4  
14 ♗b5?!

♞14 a3 ♗xd2 15 ♗xd2 ±♞.

14 ..... ♗xd2?!

14 ... ♖d8 15 ♖xc4? a6 ♯.

15 ♗xd2 0-0-0  
16 ♗e3 ♖d4  
17 ♗xd4 ♖xd4  
18 ♖fd1 ♖hd8  
19 ♖xd4 ♖xd4



20 ♗h3?! ♗xh3  
21 ♗e8+ ♖c7  
22 ♗xe7+ ♗d7  
23 ♗c5+ ♖b8  
24 ♗e5+ ♖c8  
25 ♗xg7 ♖xe4  
26 ♗xh7 ♗d5  
27 h4 f5  
28 h5?

♞28 ♗h8+ ♖c7 29 ♗g7+ ♖b8 30 ♗f8+ ♖c7 31 ♖c1 f4 32 gxf4 ♗h5 33 ♗g7+ ♖b8 34 b3 +-.

28 ..... f4  
29 ♗h8+ ♖c7  
30 ♗g7+ ♖c6  
31 ♗f6+ ♖b5  
32 a4+ ♖a5  
33 ♗c3+

I should have played on with 33 ♗c3+ ♖a6 34 ♗f6+ but the line ... ♖a5 35 g4 f3 36 ♗g6 ♗e5 looked a bit worrying. 37 ♖f1 ♗f4 ±.

½ ½

♞♞♞♞♞

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# Pit stop 4



by Stephen Riley

I have a terrible memory, so I write everything down on little scraps of paper. Unfortunately, my filing system underwent a major trauma (it fell off the desk!) and I can't quite piece together the details of some games I played last year. Can you help?

[Note: Use X and √ in large grid and cross-reference to establish correct layout of small grid's contents. No two players played the same opening, were in the same tournament or came from the same area.]

## Clues

1. I vaguely remember drawing a Major game against someone from Edinburgh.
2. Michael O'Rourke played in the Handicap but I'm pretty sure he wasn't from Aberdeen or Glasgow.
3. Alfred McKnight definitely wasn't playing in the Premier.
4. Susie Kingston wasn't the Aberdonian who played the Bird's Opening.
5. The patriotic Scotch Opening was played by David Ponsonby.
6. John Rubis-Hopkirk, from Dundee, shares my dislike of the French Defence, so wouldn't have played it.
7. The Catalan was the theme for the Openings Tournament; the opponent who played it didn't come from anywhere beginning with "D".

## Pit stop 4 contd

	Quartet	Premier	Major	Openings	Handicap	Sicilian	French	Catalan	Scotch	Bird's	Glasgow	Dundee	Dumfries	Aberdeen	Edinburgh
O'Rourke															
McKnight															
Rubis-Hopkirk															
Kingston															
Ponsonby															
Glasgow															
Dundee															
Dumfries															
Aberdeen															
Edinburgh															
Sicilian															
French															
Catalan															
Scotch															
Bird's															

Opponent	From	Opening	Tournament
O'Rourke			
McKnight			
Rubis-Hopkirk			
Kingston			
Ponsonby			

[Solution on page 61]

The Scottish CCA Magazine welcomes all new and more varied articles related to CC, and contributions from readers are always appreciated!

# BITS 'n' Pieces

by Ian Marks

*"Whangdepootenawah, n. In the Ojibwa tongue, disaster; an unexpected affliction that strikes hard."*

Ambrose Bierce, *The Devil's Dictionary*

One of the perks of playing CC is that you learn how to say "Merry Christmas" in all sorts of funky languages, like Polish and Icelandic.\* You also get to meet Really Useful Players in the comfort of your own home.

Aarne Hermlin is an Estonian IM who played numerous OTB tournaments in the old USSR, matching his wits with lots of Even More Useful Players along the way. Somehow, hacking it in the Glasgow League doesn't quite have the same cachet as playing Tal in the Soviet Union....

\* Wesofych Świąt and Gleðileg Jól

Scotland v Estonia, Board 2, 1993-94

White: Ian Marks, 2145

Black: IM Aarne Hermlin, 2495

Pirc Defence B07

Research had revealed that my opponent favoured all sorts of baroque defences after 1 e4 e5, so.....

1 d4(!) d6  
2 e4!

Reaching an e4... position we wouldn't have got if I'd opened 1 e4.

2 ..... g6  
3 Nc3 Bg7  
4 Nge2?!

Toying with the idea of playing a fianchetto system, but a pretty anaemic idea, really.

4 ..... e5!

Now either 5 d5 or 5 dxe5 dxe5 6 Qxd8+ Kxd8 (as offered by my opponent) leaves the Ne2 poorly placed, and so, with g2-g3 losing its appeal during the 3½-week round trip to Tartu....

5 Be3 exd4

Brings the Ne2 to a square it could have reached from f3, hence sorts out move four.

6 Nxd4 Nf6  
7 Qd2 0-0  
8 0-0-0 Nc6

I call this a Pirc, although it could equally well have arisen from a Scotch, Three Knights or Philidor. Maybe Aarne got his wacky 1 ... e5 after all.....

9 f3 Nxd4  
10 Bxd4 Be6  
11 g4?!

11 Kb1!? might have more going for it: 11 Kb1 c5 12 Be3 Qa5 13 a3!? Rab8 14 Nb5 Qb6!? (Qxd2 15 Rxd2 leaves Black with no play for his pawn weaknesses) and now 15 Bh6 gives White the makings of the standard K-side attack while the black pieces laze clumsily on the Q-side. The black d-pawn is taboo in all these lines: you don't open lines for your opponent's pieces.

11 ..... c5  
12 Be3 Qa5

Black is now ahead in development. That wasn't the case a few moves ago. What went wrong?

13 Kb1 b5!



The difference. Black gets his attack going and g2-g4 starts to look like a wasted - and weakening - move (can't you just imagine the black knight coming to e5....?)

14 Bh6

15 Bxb5 Rab8 is asking for a mugging: the usual ... Nxe4/... Rxb2/... Qb4 ideas are all hanging around.

14 ..... b4  
15 Nd5

Only move, resulting in a .....

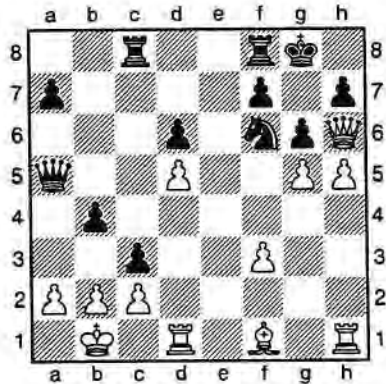
15 ..... Bxd5  
16 exd5

.... weak pawn.

16 ..... Rac8  
17 h4

17 Bc4 encourages ... Nf6-d7-e5, with a great knight v. lousy bishop position.

17 ..... Bxh6  
 18 Qxh6 c4  
 19 h5 c3  
 20 g5



And now 20 ... Nxh5 ("forced") 21 Rxh5 gxh5 22 Bd3 f5 (Rf8 23 Bxh7+) 23 gxf6 looks killing. All of Black's attempts to defend the second rank fail, e.g. 23 ... Rc7 24 Bxh7+ Rxh7 (Kh8 25 Bf5+ Kg8 26 Be6+ either Rf7 27 Qg7 mate!) 25 Rg1+ Kf7 26 Qg6 mate!, or 23 ... Qc7 24 Rg1+ and 25 Rg7.

I sent 20 g5 on 17 December 1993. It was a good Christmas. Between mouthfuls of chicken and mince pie I would run through the position in my mind's eye, checking the variations. I couldn't see an "out" for Black. I felt good; I had a Soviet Master by the throat; I was even going to win a miniature. How could it happen!? Surely I wasn't overlooking something....?

Lying in bed one night towards the end of the month, waiting for the sandman to call, I was going over the position in my head when it hit me. With startling clarity, I "saw" my opponent's next move - and it wasn't the "forced" ... Nxh5. The variations - such as they were - fell into place in a matter of seconds. I was lost, as stuffed and as trussed as the chicken I'd been munching a week before.

(For what it's worth, 20 Bd3 looks like the move; it develops, covers c2 and lines up another unit on g6. In fact, it's the move I have in my original notes. Why didn't I play it? Did I think I had a quicker "win"? Shouldn't I be answering questions instead of asking them?)

20 ..... b3!! KNURD!!

*"Knurdness strips away all illusion, all the comforting pink fog in which people normally spend their lives, and lets them see and think clearly for the first time ever."*

Terry Pratchett, *Sourcery*

Obvious when you see it. Black gets in first.

21 axb3

Nothing else makes any difference. It's gone.

21 ..... cxb2  
 22 Kxb2 Qc3+  
 23 Ka3 Rc5

24 Rh4 Ra5+  
 25 Ra4 Rxa4+  
 26 Kxa4 Rb8  
 27 Ka3 Qxc2  
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And not before time.

*"It was like being run over by a truck"*

Martina Navratilova  
 (after a defeat by Monica Seles)

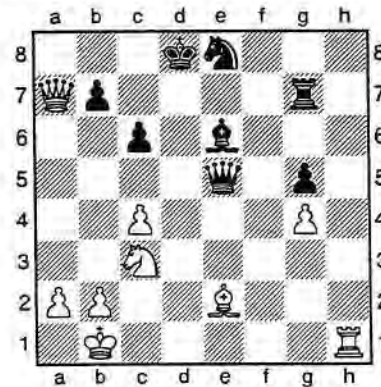
My biggest mistake in this game was one of perception: if the position after 19 ... c3 20 g5 had appeared in a magazine as Black To Play And Win, I'd have found 20 ... b3. There's a moral there somewhere.

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### XI Olympiad Final

A.P. Borwell v F.A. Camaratta

In the December 1995 Magazine, I asked readers for suggested improvements in my Olympiad Final game as White against Frank Camaratta (USA), which ended in a draw.



Position after Black's 29th move

In the position after Black's 29th move, John Clayton provided the following idea.....

"Instead of 30 ♖d1+, what about 30 ♜a8+!? It prevents Black's ♜ from going to c7 and forces the only move 30 ... ♜c8. The idea is to keep Black's ♜ in the centre and in the open. Also by keeping your ♖ on h1, you retain the option of attacking from the 1st rank or moving to the 8th rank - or even the 5th! - ♜a8+ 30 ♜c8 ♜d3! 31 .....

Still keeping Black guessing which way your ♖ will go and threatening 32 ♜f5. Black has 3 options:- (a) 31 ... ♜c7; (b) 31 ... ♜d6; (c) 31 ... ♖c7. 31 ... ♜c7?? isn't an option because of 32 ♖h8+ winning.

(a) 31 ... ♜c7 32 ♖c1. The threat of 33 ♜b5+ or 33 d5+ is very real and creates intriguing complications! Notice that if earlier 31 ♖d1+ ♜c7 32 ♖c1! was also possible but Black can spoil it with 31 ... ♖d7 32 ♖xd7+ ♜xd7 33 ♜a4 and even then White is still a good pawn up!

(b) 31 ... ♜d6 32 ♜e4! ♖g8 33 ♜xd6 ♜xd6 34 ♜f5 ♜c7 35 ♜xc8 ♖xc8 36 ♖h7+, 1:0.

(c) 31 ... ♖c7 32 ♜f5, and Black is under pressure a pawn down!

[Unfortunately 30 ♜a8+ does not force the reply ♜c8 because 30 ... ♜c7 is playable as 31 ♜xe8 ♜f5+ wins White's ♜. However, after 30 ... ♜c7 31 ♖c1 is an interesting idea I did not consider and 31 ♖h8 is also probably better than the line I played

Editor]



## NEW BOOKS

reviewed by Alan Borwell

**The Sorcerer's Apprentice**  
by Bronstein & Fürstenberg  
304 pages, 16 photos, £14.99

Referred to briefly in our last edition, this is a high quality book, both in content and presentation. David Bronstein is one of the few legendary figures of post-war chess who is still active and therefore his stories and anecdotes make fascinating reading. Containing over 220 of his games, 50 of which have comment and analysis, the book provides a fitting commentary on Bronstein's love of chess over more than half a century. It contains some very useful advice for novices and is highly recommended for chess connoisseurs, teachers and all standards of player.

**How to Win at Chess**  
**10 Golden Rules**  
by Danny King  
128 pages, £9.50

This book contains a useful description of algebraic notation and good basic advice for beginners, using 10 "rules".

**Modern Chess Miniatures**  
by Neil McDonald  
150 pages, £12.50

Contains 50 excellent short games which are both original and instructive. It is therefore rather disappointing that its indexing is poor and there are several production errors. Perhaps less speed and more Editorial control at the publication phase would be beneficial!?

## CADOGAN CHESS BOOKS

**The Modern Chess Self-Tutor**  
by David Bronstein  
148 pages, £12.50

This translation by Ken Neat of the 1981 version has edited out some of the earlier content, but it is a very interesting and instructive book. As a Bronstein admirer, I like his approach to chess analysis and he describes facets of the game in an original and fascinating way. Particularly, I enjoyed the sections on the deployment and strength of pawns and piece co-ordination.

**Play Combinations and Sacrifices**  
by David Levy  
186 pages, £14.50

**Attacking the King**  
by J.N. Walker  
173 pages, £12.50

These are both reprints of earlier books (published by Oxford University Press) but contain some excellent material and advice. I feel that they are rather overpriced when compared with newly conceived/published books. However, for chess teachers and less strong players, they are both useful updates.



## Batsford

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**The Giuoco Piano**  
by Gufeld & Stetsko  
160 pages, £12.99

Also nowadays referred to as The Italian Game, this opening has seen a resurgence of popularity in recent years. In my youth, it was the "standard" K-side recommendation for beginners and I remember having many interesting games in the Siesta Variation. There is a better coverage of the Evans Gambit as a section of this book written by Murray Chandler than in the recent Chess Digest title by Richard Moody.

For CC players seeking an alternative to the heavily analysed long variations of the Ruy Lopez or Scotch openings, this could be a useful reference book, coupled with others containing updates of recent "Italian Games".

**The Main Line King's Indian**  
by Nunn & Burgess  
320 pages, £17.99

Chess players generally regard books written by John Nunn as being amongst the best, both in terms of quality and accuracy of content. This one is no exception and, for King's Indian addicts, it must become an essential volume for their libraries! It is packed with analysis and evaluation of the intricate variations of all of the main lines arising from 6 Be2 e5, including 7 Be3 (or 0-0) Nbd7 (or Nc6). Another volume will deal with more unusual 6th/7th moves for Black such as exd4, Na6 etc. Recommended for all KI Defence exponents!

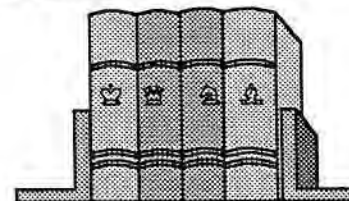
**The Official Chess Yearbook 1996**  
BCF/Batsford  
208 pages, £9.99

BCM has suggested that this is a "goldmine" of information on the British chess scene, but it is about English (BCF) chess activities. Publishers need to realise that chess (and postal chess) exists in other parts of the UK and that proper coverage of non-English material could help to sell more books! The Scottish CCA, which is so highly regarded internationally, is not featured and the over-the-board SCA information is so brief that even Jersey and Guernsey are given more coverage!

Correspondence chess has no attraction to many of the younger English chess authors (most of whom have not even played it at competitive level) but it deserves better journalistic coverage. Hopefully, Tim Harding's forthcoming Batsford book dedicated to Correspondence Chess will help to redress the balance.

**Netherlands 25 Year Jubilee  
Tournament Book**  
by H.J. Mostert, £10.99

Contains all 190 games from this 20-player GM event won by Ger Timmerman with the fantastic score of 17½ points, with Joop van Oosterom a close second with 16 pts. Although written in Dutch with 13 competitors from the Netherlands, some of the games are lightly annotated and there is an interesting overview of the main opening innovations provided by A.C. van der Tak. Available from *Qualitext Business Services* for £9.99 post free.



## Chess Digest Books

**The Evans Gambit Revolution**  
by Richard Moody  
137 pages, £13.50

This is a very disappointing book and does not do justice to a very interesting opening. A more profound, in-depth study is needed by a high-quality player.

**The Fighting Fajarowicz  
Budapest Gambit**  
by Tim Harding  
228 pages, £12.95

Well presented, with a useful "Ideas" section as well as 12 chapters of analysis of different variations arising after 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e5 3 dxe5 Ne4. Concludes with 372 illustrative games. Recommended, but not for the faint-hearted!

**Schach-Profi**  
Verlag Reinhold Dreier



We have recently received copies of 4 books from this publisher:-

Klassisches Nimzoindisch 4 Qc2 (176 pages)  
Pirc Ufimzev - Moderne (200pp)  
Reti-Eröffnung - Seltene (212pp)  
Aljechin-Verteidigung - Band A (300pp)

Written by leading chess authors and published in 1995, they are nicely produced using figurine notation and Informant symbols. Limited German an advantage but not essential as there is a minimum amount of text and mostly analysis/game references.

(These books from Germany can be supplied by Qualitext Business Services, on request, costing between £10-£15 each depending on size etc).

## Trends Openings Booklets

The following new titles have been received in 1996:-

Slav, Vol 2 - J. Hodgson  
Reti, Vol 2 - Wade/Gkoutintas  
Semi-Slav Meran, Vol 2 - B. Lalic  
Czech & Schmid Benoni, Vol 2 - M. Sher  
Italian, Vol 2 - S. Lalic

A full list of all of these excellent opening booklets, each containing 100 featured games and evaluated by titled players, is shown under a QBS panel elsewhere in this magazine.

## s1 Editrice Opening Monographs

Now being produced in a new and much improved format, these are excellent and good value books. They vary in size quite significantly and therefore Qualitext Business Services reflects this in their very competitive prices (even before members'/subscribers discount).

The most recently published editions cover:-

	Ref	Pages
Sicilian Labourdonnais	B32	269
Pirc - Czech (3 ... c6)	B07	203
Accel. Dragon Maroczy	B36-39	147
Caro-Kann Exchange	B13	199
Accelerated Dragon	B34-35	368
Sicilian Najdorf 7 ... Qb6	B97	148
Caro-Kann Classical 4...Bf5	B18-19	176
KI Benoni (4 pawns)	A66-69	80
Nimzo-Capablanca	E32-39	327

Commenting on the new Nimzo book, one of our keenest readers said, "I was pleasantly surprised when I received it, a new format, packed full of games, and covering several variations in detail not even mentioned in the Cadogan book on the same variation of the Nimzo. Excellent value at £12, even better with the discount!"



S1 EDITRICE

## CORRESPONDENCE CHESS YEARBOOKS & OPENINGS MONOGRAPHS

published by s1 Editrice,  
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Published in Italy by s1 Editrice, with text and annotations in English, each CC Yearbook (three per annum) contains around 350 postal chess games from all around the World in Informator opening code order, with a good index, and selected theoretical opening articles. CCYB No. 14 included the complete 1995 ICCF Rating List and theoretical openings articles on French Defence (C15), Petroff (C42) and Caro Kann (B10). CCYB No. 15 has been delayed by printing problems but is expected before the end of April and three further editions are due to be published in 1996.

s1 Editrice also produce opening booklets in their Monograph series, with recent ones in an excellent new format. A complete list is shown elsewhere in this magazine and more information on current/projected publications by s1 Editrice can be provided on enquiry.

## FERNSCHACH INTERNATIONAL

A 64-page monthly CC magazine which contains information about all ICCF activities and tournaments, both World and European. It is the only CC journal which provides a comprehensive results service for all ICCF tournaments. It has a selection of quality postal games, with content in both German and English, using figurine notation for games and annotations. A leading international CC player is featured in each edition, with some examples of his best games.

## CORRESPONDENCE CHESS INFORMATORS

An excellent publication but its availability/publication from the Ukraine has been erratic and unreliable. Most of the material is derived from top class CC tournaments and quality games from around the World, particularly from the old CIS area. In CC Informator No.7, there are 32 selected games from the Alekhine Memorial Tournament, theoretical articles on the North Sea Defence 1 e4 g6 2 d4 Nf6 (B06), Caro Kann (B17), Sicilian (B51), Grünfeld (D85), Nimzo (E32), along with 100 top level annotated CC games. It is understood that CC Informator No. 8 has now been published but more information has been requested urgently about its availability in the UK and the publishers' intentions for the remainder of 1996.

*All of the above publications are available at very competitive prices, with preferential terms for SCCA members and Magazine subscribers, from Qualitext Business Services.*





# GAMES SECTION

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We kick off this time with a game from last year's Handicap Tourney. New contributor, Allan Petrie, annotates.

SCCA Handicap Tournament, 1995

**White:** Colin A. Macgregor  
**Black:** Allan R. Petrie

Sicilian - Grand Prix Attack B21

1 e4 c5  
 2 f4

My first time playing the Sicilian and Colin throws this at me - my only source of reference was BCO1 and I didn't like any of the options on offer - so.....

2 ..... d6  
 3 ♖c3 a6  
 4 a3?!

Presumably safeguarding a ♗ on the a2-g8 diagonal, but piece development was surely better.

4 ..... ♗c6  
 5 ♗f3 e6  
 6 ♗c4 ♗ge7  
 7 d3 g6  
 8 ♗d2 ♗g7  
 9 0-0 b5  
 10 ♗a2 ♖b6  
 11 ♖h1 ♗d7  
 12 ♖e2

Maybe 12 ♖e1 was better when 12 ... 0-0 allows 13 f5 with ♖h4 to follow with attacking chances for White.

12 ..... 0-0  
 13 ♗h4?!



♙ 13 g4. The text cedes the d4 square.

13 ..... ♗d4  
 14 ♖d1 ♗ac8  
 15 ♗e3 a5  
 16 ♗b1

♙ 16 ♖d2.

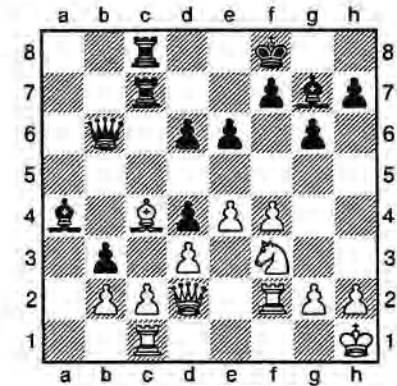
16 ..... b4  
 17 axb4 axb4  
 18 ♗e2 ♗ec6  
 19 ♗xd4 ♗xd4  
 20 ♗f3 ♗a4  
 21 ♗xd4 cxd4  
 22 ♗f2 ♗c7  
 23 ♗c4 ♗fc8  
 24 ♗c1?!

Passive - both 24 ♗a1 and 24 b3 d5 25 bxa4 dxc4 were better.

24 ..... ♖f8

A waiting move!

25 ♖d2 b3!?



26 ♗e1?

Now Black has it all his own way - 26 ♗a1! was called for.

26 ..... bxc2  
 27 ♗xc2 d5!

With an X-ray attack on the c2 ♗.

28 exd5 exd5  
 29 b3 dxc4  
 30 bxa4 cxd3!  
 31 ♖xd3 ♗c3  
 32 ♖e4 d3

Faced with decisive loss of material, White resigned.

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Next, David Trenner annotates a fluctuating struggle from last year's Major.

SCCA Major Tourney, Sect. C, 1995

White: Caroline Riley  
Black: David Trenner

Ruy Lopez Def Exchange C73

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|---|-------|------|
| 1 | e4    | e5   |
| 2 | ♘f3   | ♘c6  |
| 3 | ♙b5   | a6   |
| 4 | ♙a4   | d6   |
| 5 | ♙xc6+ | bxc6 |
| 6 | d4    | f6   |

6 ... dxe4 and 6 ... ♗g4 are both playable alternatives.

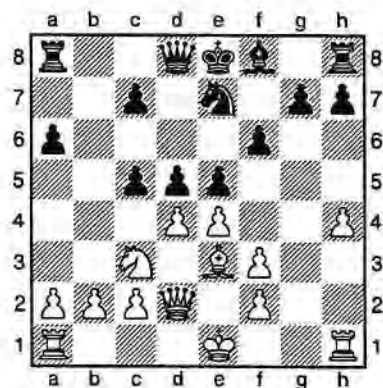
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| 7 | ♙e3 | ♘e7 |
| 8 | ♘c3 | ♙g4 |

BCO gives only 8 ... ♘g6 9 ♖e2 a5 10 h4 ♙a6 11 ♗d2 h5 12 0-0-0 ±.

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|----|------|------|
| 9  | ♗d2  | ♙xf3 |
| 10 | gxf3 | d5   |
| 11 | h4?! |      |

♙ 11 0-0-0.

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|----|-------|------|
| 11 | ..... | c5!? |
|----|-------|------|



Almost inviting White to wreck the black ♖-side - will the material compensation suffice?

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|----|------|------|
| 12 | dxe5 | d4   |
| 13 | exf6 | gxf6 |

Maybe 13 ... ♘c6!?

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|----|--------|----|
| 14 | 0-0-0! | c6 |
|----|--------|----|

14 ... dxe3 15 ♗xe3 ♗c8 16 ♗xc5 ♗b7 17 ♗h5+ ♘g6 18 ♖hg1! is big trouble for Black, as is 14 ... dxc3 15 ♗xc3 ♗c8 16 ♗xf6 but 14 ... ♘c6 looks O.K.

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| 15 | ♙f4 | ♗a5 |
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Trying to create complications on the ♗-side.

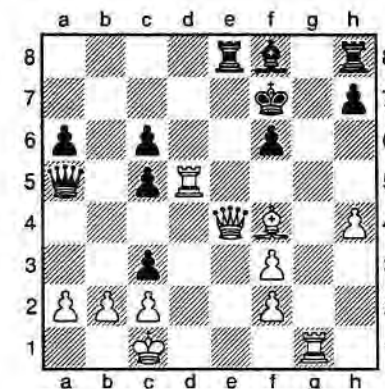
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| 16 | e5!? |  |
|----|------|--|

16 ♘b1 was more circumspect.

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| 16 | ..... | dxc3?! |
|----|-------|--------|

♙ 16 ... fxe5 17 ♙xe5 ♖g8.

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|----|-------|-------|
| 17 | ♗d7+  | ♙f7   |
| 18 | e6+   | ♙g6   |
| 19 | ♖hg1+ | ♙f5   |
| 20 | ♗d3+  | ♙xe6  |
| 21 | ♗c4+  | ♘d5   |
| 22 | ♗e4+  | ♙f7   |
| 23 | ♖xd5  | ♖e8?! |



♙ ♖a7.

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| 24 | ♖d7+  | ♖e7  |
| 25 | ♖xe7+ | ♙xe7 |
| 26 | ♖g7+! | ♙xg7 |
| 27 | ♗xe7+ | ♙g6  |
| 28 | h5+   | ♙xh5 |
| 29 | ♗f7+  | ♙h4  |
| 30 | ♗xf6+ | ♙b3  |
| 31 | ♗f5+? |      |

31 ♗xh8 cxb2+ 32 ♙xb2 (32 ♗xb2?? ♗e1!#) ♗b4+ 33 ♙c1 ♗e1+ draws.

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| 31 | ..... | ♙g2 |
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| 32 | ♗g4+ | ♙f1 |
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The f2 pawn is far too useful to be removed.

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| 33 | ♗h3+ | ♙e1 |
| 34 | ♙e3  | ♖d8 |

Now 15 ... ♗a5 looks like a good idea!

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| 35 | ♙b1 | ♗b4 -+ |
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Now White is lost.

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| 36 | ♙c1  | cxb2 |
| 37 | ♗e6+ | ♙xf2 |
| 38 | ♙e3+ | ♙g2  |
| 39 | ♗g4+ | ♗xg4 |
| 40 | fxg4 |      |

Continuing from a probable sense of injustice at my steal.

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| 40 | ..... | ♙f3  |
| 41 | ♙xc5  | ♙xg4 |
| 42 | ♙xb2  | h5   |
| 43 | ♙c3   | h4   |
| 44 | ♙b6   | h3   |
| 45 | ♙c7   | ♙f3  |
| 46 | ♙b4   | ♖d4+ |

The obvious question: Did White miss a win? I can't see one for her but I can't really believe that 15 ... ♗a5 forces a draw!

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Next, another double contribution from Joe Watson in the 1994/95 SCCA Championship. The first features some fascinating piece play in a topical line of the Nimzo-Indian.

SCCA Championship 1994/95

White: J. Watson  
Black: A.T. Hislop

Nimzo - Capablanca E32

1	d4	♘f6
2	c4	e6
3	♗c3	♙b4
4	♚c2	0-0
5	a3	♙xc3+
6	♚xc3	b6
7	♙g5	♙a6

7 ... h6 8 ♙h4 ♙a6 9 ♖c1?! d6 10 ♚f3 ♗bd7 11 e3 ♖c8 12 b4 d5, Rydholm-Kupsys, Karlis Betinsch Memorial, 1993, is an interesting line.

8	e3	d6
9	♙d3	♗bd7
10	♗e2	c5
11	0-0	cxd4
12	exd4	♖c8
13	♚c2	

Provocative, but the black ♙ on a6 is unprotected and this allows White to escape trouble on the c-file by tactical means.

13	.....	h6
14	♚a4	♙b7
15	♙h4	e5?!

16 ♙f5!  
16 ♚xa7 ♚c7 17 ♚a4 ♗e4 18 ♙b1 ♚xc4 is nothing for White.



It is not yet clear where White's ♖s are best developed. The text improves White's chances of keeping the two ♙s and extends the choice of squares to place the queen rook - it might go to e1 to discourage Black from e4.

17 ..... ♚a8  
Instead, (i) 17 ... ♙c6 merits attention - then.... 18 ♚c2 b5! 19 cxb5. There are alternatives worth exploring if we do down this line. 19 ... ♙xb5 20 ♚d2 exd4 21 ♖fe1 d3 22 ♗d4 ♖b7 23 b4 ♗e5!? (23 ... ♚b6?! 24 ♙f2 ♖c8 25 ♗xb5 ♚xb5 26 ♙xd3 ♚a4±. White is a little better as Black has insufficient compensation for the two ♙s) 24 ♗xb5 ♖xb5 25 ♙h3!. Then, (A) 25 ... g5!? 26 ♙g3 (26 ♙xg5,

tempting, but I think this only leads to a draw: 26 ... hxg5 27 ♚xg5+ ♗h7 28 ♙f5+ ♗h8 29 ♚h6+ ♚h4 draws [29 ... ♗g8 30 ♖e4! ♗xf3+! 31 gxf3 ♖xf5 32 ♖h4 ♖h5! 33 ♖xh5 ♗xh5 34 ♚xh5 ♖e8 35 ♗h1 ♚f6 36 ♖g1+ ♗f8 37 ♚g4 =] ) 26 ... ♖d5 27 ♖ac1 ♚b6+ 28 ♙f2 ♚b5±. Oops! Careless play allows Black to keep his d3 pawn. Don't go down this line! (B) 25 ... a6 26 ♖ac1 ♚b6+ 27 ♗f1 ♗d5 28 ♙f2 ♚d8 29 f4±. (ii) 17 ... ♖e8 is another idea. 18 ♖ae1 (18 ♖fe1) 18 ... d5!? 19 ♚xa7 dxc4 (19 ... ♙c6 20 ♙xf6 gxf6 21 ♚a6 ♙b7 22 ♚b5±; 19 ... g5 20 ♙g3 ♚e7?! 21 dxe5 ♖a8 22 exf6 ♚e3+ 23 ♙f2 ♚d2 24 ♚xa8+ ♙xa8 25 cxd5 ♙xd5 26 ♗c3 ♙e6 27 ♙xe6 fxe6 28 ♖e2 ♚f4. An interesting line, giving White good play. White has a material edge and can try for a win from here) 20 ♚a4 e4 21 fxe4 ♙xe4 22 ♗g3!? ♙xf5 23 ♗xf5 ♖xe1 24 ♖xe1 ♗f8 25 ♙g3 ♖d7 26 ♙e5 ♗h8 27 ♖f1 ♗h5 28 ♗xh6 f6 29 ♗g4+. Good piece play with the initiative, so White is noticeably better.

18 ♖fe1 g5  
19 ♙f2



19 ..... e4

19 ... ♖fc8 20 b3 e4 21 ♗c3 exf3 22 ♗b5 fxg2 23 ♗xc7 ♖xc7 24 d5 ♗c5 25 ♚b4± is a fascinating line where Black has insufficient compensation.

20 ♗c3! exf3  
21 ♗b5 ♙c6?!

21 ... ♖cc8 22 ♗xd6 ♖cd8 23 gxf3 ♙xf3 24 ♖e7 ♙c6 25 ♚c2 Δ26 d5 ± is insufficient for Black.

22 ♗xc7 ♙xa4  
23 ♗xa8 ♖xa8  
24 gxf3 ♗f8  
25 ♙g3 d5  
26 cxd5 ♗xd5?  
27 b3!

27 ... ♙b5 28 a4 ♙c6 29 ♖ac1 ♖c8 30 ♖xc6 ♖xc6 31 ♙xd7 is crushing.

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The following game, again annotated by Joe, features a line of the French Winawer which has appeared a number of times in our Magazine of late.

Scottish CCA Championship 1994/5

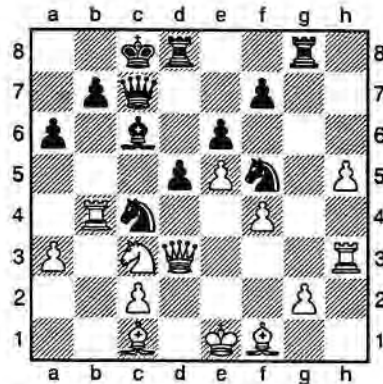
White: C.F.Boyle  
Black: J. Watson

French Winawer C18

1	e4	e6
2	d4	d5
3	♖c3	♗b4
4	e5	♗e7
5	a3	♗xc3+
6	bxc3	c5
7	♗g4	♗c7
8	♗xg7	♗g8
9	♗xh7	cxd4
10	♗e2	♗bc6
11	f4	♗d7
12	♗d3	dx3
13	♗xc3	a6
14	♗b1	

Varying from Sadovoy-Anton, World Champ XIV 3/4-Final, 1989 (Magazine No. 51) which saw 14 ♗e2 ♗f5 15 ♗b1 ♗ce7 16 ♗c3 ♗xc3+ (0-1, 43)

14	.....	♗a5
15	h4	♗f5
16	♗h3	0-0-0
17	h5	♗c4
18	♗b4	♗c6



Cumming - Dickson, SCCA Premier, 1993/94 (Magazine 49) saw 18 ... b5!? 19 h6 ♗g6 20 h7 ♗h8 21 g3?! ≅ (1-0, 44). Chris also has some experience of Black in this line - Hislop-Boyle, SCCA Champ 1992/94 features 21 ♗e2 ♗c5 22 c3 a5 23 ♗b3 a4 24 ♗b4 ♗g7 ♞ (1/2-1/2, 49). If now 19 ♗e2, then Necchi's idea 19 ... ♗b5 could be strong.

19	h6	♗g6
20	h7	♗h8
21	♗e2	♗g7
22	g4	♗xg4

Also worth considering is the plan of encircling and winning the h-pawn by ♗e7-g6. White's plan is more effective, I think, with his ♗ still on c3, so that should Black capture the g-pawn, ♗f3 hits g4 and c4 simultaneously. Alternatively 22 ... a5 23 ♗b1 ♗xg4 is also a reasonable plan for Black.

23	♗d4	a5
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24 ♗xf5

White has numerous alternatives:-

(i) 24 ♗b5 ♗xb5 25 ♗xb5 ♗c6 26 a4. The alternatives of 26 ♗b3 and 26 ♗b1 meet the same response ... ♗g7 27 ♗d2 b6 28 ♗c3 ♗gxh7 29 ♗xh7 ♗xh7 ♞. Black is comfortable, with good play and a sound extra pawn.

(ii) 24 ♗b3 ♗xe5 25 ♗c3 ♗xd4 26 ♗xd4 f6 27 ♗e2.

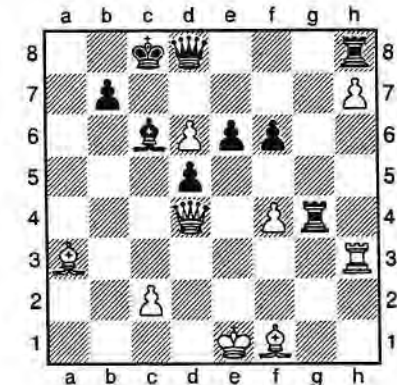
(iii) 24 ♗b3 ♗xe5 25 ♗d1 ♗xd4 26 ♗xd4 f6 27 ♗e2 ♗xh7 28 ♗xg4 ♗xg4.

(iv) 24 ♗b1 ♗xe5!? 25 ♗c3 (25 fxe5? ♗xd4 -+) 25 ... ♗xd4 26 ♗xd4 f6! (26 ... ♗xh7!? 27 ♗xe5 ♗xe5+ 28 fxe5 ♗xh3 29 ♗xh3 ♗e4+ 30 ♗f2 ♗xe5 31 ♗e3 ♗h5 32 ♗g3 f5 ∞. Interesting. Black has 3 pawns, 2 of them connected and passed for the piece. But White has 2 good bishops and a well developed king, and I wouldn't like to be trying to win this as Black) 27 ♗d1! (27 ♗e2!? ♗xh7. Black stands well and White probably does best to swap queens here. Worth an attempt to win as Black, though. 28 ♗xh7 ♗xh7 29 ♗xg4 ♗xg4 30 ♗c5 d4! 31 ♗xd4 ♗xc2 32 ♗a1 ♗h2! -+) 27 ... ♗xh7 28 ♗xh7 ♗xh7 29 fxe5 ♗h4+ 30 ♗d2 (30 ♗e2? ♗d4! wins, since ♗b5 is crushing and unstoppable.) 30 ... d4 31 ♗b3 (31 ♗e1 ♗g5+ 32 ♗d3 ♗f5+ 33 ♗d2 ♗g1 -+) 31 ... ♗g1! 32 ♗e2 -+.

24	.....	axb4
25	♗d6+	♗xd6
26	exd6	♗d8

27 ♗d4 bxa3  
28 ♗xa3 f6

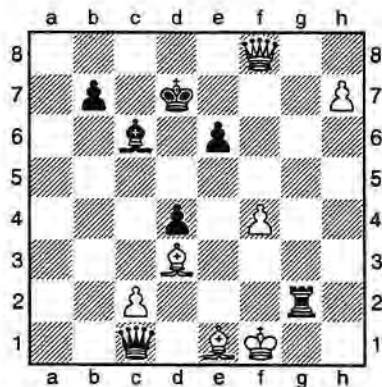
28 ... ♗b8? looks plausible, resurrecting the threat of e5, but it is illusory - 29 d7! ♗xd7 30 ♗e7! ♗a5+ (30 ... ♗xc7 31 ♗xh8+ +-; 30... ♗c8 31 ♗d6+ +-) 31 ♗d1 +-.



29	♗h6	♗g7
30	♗d3	♗a5+
31	♗b4	♗a2
32	♗f1	

A difficult position - instead White has (i) 32 ♗xf6 ♗b1+ 33 ♗e2 ♗g2+ 34 ♗f3 ♗h1 -+; (ii) 32 ♗g6 ♗b1+ 33 ♗d2 e5!? 34 ♗b6 ♗f1 35 ♗a5 ♗xf4+ 36 ♗e1 d4! 37 ♗a8+ ♗d7 38 ♗xh8 ♗e3+ 39 ♗f1 ♗b5+ 40 ♗g2 ♗g5+ 41 ♗f2 ♗f4+ 42 ♗g2 ♗c6+ 43 ♗g1 ♗g3+ 44 ♗f1 ♗g2+ 45 ♗g1 ♗h3+ 46 ♗h1 ♗g2#!; (iii) 32 ♗e2 (probably best) ♗b1 33 ♗e1 ♗b5 34 ♗c5+ (34 ♗xf6? ♗xc2+) 34 ... ♗c6 35 ♗d4?! (35 ♗xf6! ♗d7?! 36 f5! ♗g2+

37 ♖f1, White is winning) 35 ... ♗b5 36 ♜c5+ ♘c6 with a further parting of the way: (A) 37 ♜xf6 ♜c1 38 ♜f8+! ♜xf8 39 d7+ ♖xd7 40 ♜xf8 ♜g2+ 41 ♖f1 d4.



(Position after note (iii) (A) 41 ... d4)

Quite a position! White has two plausible tries: 42 h8=♜ (42 ♜f7+ ♖d6 43 ♜f8+ ♖d7 44 ♜f7+ ♖d6 =. If White now tries to queen the h-pawn with 45 h8=♜ then ♜f2+! draws! 45 ♗e2?? ♜f2+! This time the ♜ move mates! 46 ♖xf2 ♜e3+ 47 ♖f1 ♜h3+ 48 ♖f2 ♜g2#) 42 ... ♜f2+ 43 ♖xf2 ♜e3+ 44 ♖f1 ♜f3+ 45 ♗f2 ♜d1+ 46 ♗e1 ♜f3+ = Perpetual check; (B) 37 ♜d4. Repetition coming up. Doubtless both sides could consider opting out of the draw. 37 ... ♗b5 38 ♜c5+ ♗c6 39 ♜d4 =.

32 ..... ♜b1+  
33 ♗e1 ♜d1

### 34 ♜xf6

No better is 34 ♜e3 when ♜g4 35 ♗f2 d4 36 ♜xd4? (c36 ♜e2 ♗g2+ 37 ♖e1 ♜xf4 38 ♜xe6+ ♖b8 39 ♜xf6 ♜c1+ ♗) 36 ... ♜d1+ 37 ♗e1 ♗g2+ forces mate.

34 ..... ♜f3+  
35 ♗f2 ♜d1+  
Drawn by perpetual check

Quite a game!

½ ½

[This must be a candidate for the best annotated game of the year 1996, but maybe someone can do better? - Editor]

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Following these heavyweight struggles, we continue on a lighter note. Regular contributor, Alan Armstrong, provides two of his recent games. "A couple of draws, no less," says Alan.

Scotland v Canada Friendly Int. 1994

White: H. Frederiksen (CAN)

Black: A. Armstrong (SCO)

French - Tarrasch C07

1 e4 e6  
2 d4 d5  
3 ♗d2 c5

I usually play 3 ... ♗f6, but let's be awkward!

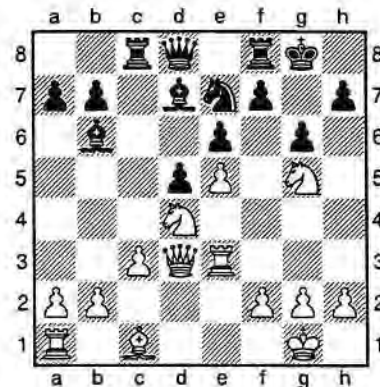
4 dxc5 ♗xc5  
5 ♗b3 ♗b6  
6 e5

Without f4 by White, this pawn can become a target, so I should develop and exploit.

6 ..... ♗c6  
7 ♗f3 ♗ge7  
8 c3 ♗g6  
9 ♗b5 ♗d7

Perhaps 9 ... ♜c7 was better so as to develop the ♗ on a6 after 10 ♗xc6 bxc6.

10 ♗xc6 ♗xc6  
11 ♗bd4 0-0  
12 0-0 ♜c8  
13 ♜e1 ♗d7  
14 ♜d3 ♗e7  
15 ♗g5 g6  
16 ♜e3



16 ♗xd4!

17 cxd4 f6?

I should have played 17 ... ♗f5 when after 18 ♜e1, I have 18 ... ♜xc1! 19 ♜axc1 ♜xg5.

18 exf6 ♜xf6  
19 ♗d2 ♜f8  
20 ♜ae1 ♗f5  
21 ♜3e2 ♜d6  
22 ♗h3 a6

Missing 22 ... ♜b6! hitting both d4 and c2 and also threatening ♗b5.

23 ♗f4 ♜c6  
24 ♗e5

Now the ♗ has a great square - how to dislodge it?

24 ..... ♜ff8  
25 ♗g5 ♜c1!

Now taking the ♜ costs him a ♜ and I'm hitting the ♗ at g5.

26 ♜d2 ♜c4  
27 g4!

Whoops! I was reluctant to now play ♗ to h4 but couldn't see better.

27 ..... ♗h4  
28 ♜e3 h6  
29 ♜h3!!

Yipes!! I thought the ♜ was to protect the f3 square. Now if 29 ... hxg5 30 ♜xh4! gxh4 31 ♜h6 and Custer is about to be scalped.

29 ..... ♖c2□

Now 30 ♜xc2 ♜xc2 31 ♜xh4 hxg5  
32 ♜h8+ ♜f7 33 ♜xf8+ ♜xf8  
34 ♜b1 is unclear but roughly equal.  
I offered a draw and White accepted.

½ ½

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Handicap Tourney 1995

White: A. Armstrong

Black: C. Dowell

French Classical C14

1 e4 e6

Surprise! Another French! This  
time the Classical Variation.

2 d4 d5  
3 ♘c3 ♘f6  
4 ♗g5 ♗e7  
5 e5 ♘fd7  
6 ♗xe7 ♜xe7  
7 f4

Now, according to the "book", if  
Black is afraid to castle, he should try  
7 ... a6. Maybe he wasn't afraid, just  
petrified.

7 ..... 0-0  
8 ♘f3 c5  
9 ♗d3 f5

Black has to be careful to avoid 9 ...  
cxd4?? because of 10 ♗xh7+! ♜xh7  
11 ♘g5+ ♜xg5 12 fxg5 dxc3  
13 ♜h5+! ♜g8 14 0-0 ♘xe5  
15 ♜a1 ♗e3, ♜h3 +-.

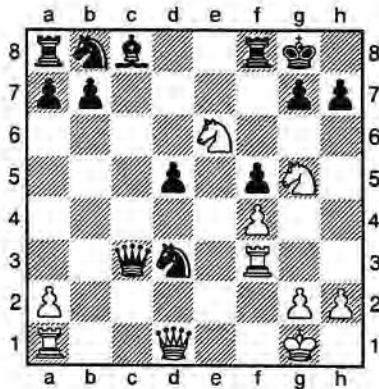
10 ♘g5? cxd4

You lay the foundations and then  
suddenly the whole thing crumbles.

11 ♘b5 ♘xe5!  
12 ♘xd4 ♜b4+

A blunder turns into a debacle and  
my resignation is now on the cards.  
However, his ♜-side is undeveloped  
and this provides a glimmer of hope.

13 c3 ♜xb2  
14 0-0 ♜xc3  
15 ♘dxe6 ♘xd3  
16 ♜f3



I may be a piece down but at least the  
few I have are active!

16 ..... ♜e8  
17 ♜xd3 ♜f6  
18 ♜h5 ♜xe6□

Forced as he can hardly play 19 ...  
♜xa1+ 20 ♜f2 ♜xa2+ 21 ♜g3  
when White threatens at both e8 at  
h7.

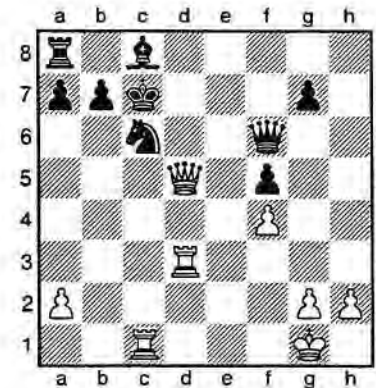
19 ♜c1!

Developing and supporting the  
attack!

19 ..... ♘c6  
20 ♜xh7+ ♜f8  
21 ♜h8+ ♜e7  
22 ♘xe6 ♜xe6  
23 ♜g8+ ♜d6

23 ... ♜d7 24 ♜xd5+ ♜c7  
25 ♜xc6+ bxc6 (25 ... ♜xc6??  
26 ♜d8+!) 26 ♜a5+ ♜b8 27  
♜b4+ ♜c7 (27 ... ♗b7?? 28 ♜d7!  
and I win!!) 28 ♜a5+ = is the same  
as the game.

24 ♜xd5+ ♜c7



25 ♜xc6! bxc6  
26 ♜a5+

Now it's a draw as in the note to  
move 23 above.

26 ..... ♜b8  
27 ♜b4+ ♜c7  
28 ♜a5+  
½ ½

Now another game from a Friendly  
International. This time annotated  
by Membership & Publicity Officer,  
Bernard Milligan.

Scotland v Belgium Friendly Int., 1994

White: B. Milligan (SCO)

Black: L. Scheppers (BEL)

French Tarrasch C04

1 d4 d5  
2 e4 e6  
3 ♘d2

I tend to favour this rather than allow  
my pawns to be doubled on the c-file  
after ♗b4.

3 ..... ♘c6  
4 ♘gf3 ♘xe4

Strangely enough, I had  
recommended that members of my  
club consider this capture. It means  
you can avoid having to learn both  
Tarrasch and Winawer lines.

5 ♘xe4 g6  
6 ♗g5

Prompting further ♜-side  
weaknesses.

6 ..... f6  
7 ♗e3 ♗g7  
8 ♜d2 b6  
9 c3 h5  
10 ♗d3



White now has a significant lead in development.

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|----|-------|------|
| 10 | ..... | e5   |
| 11 | dxe5  | fxe5 |
| 12 | 0-0   | h4   |
| 13 | ♘eg5  | ♙f6  |
| 14 | ♚c2   | ♘ge7 |
| 15 | ♞ad1  | ♘a5  |
| 16 | ♙e4   |      |

Not to attack the ♞ but to prevent ♚-side castling.

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| 16 | ..... | ♙b7  |
| 17 | ♙xb7  | ♘xb7 |
| 18 | ♙e4   |      |

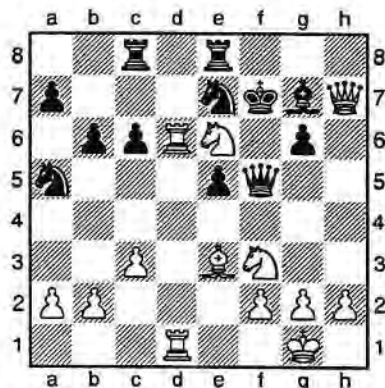
The idea was to harass Black's forces and make him waste moves while I get my ♞s developed.

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|----|-------|-----|
| 18 | ..... | ♞b8 |
| 19 | ♙c4   | ♞c8 |
| 20 | ♞d2   | ♘a5 |
| 21 | ♙e4   | 0-0 |

Risky but Black's ♚ is feeling exposed in the centre.

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| 22 | ♞fd1 | c6 |
| 23 | ♚xh4 |    |
- Everything is now set up for the kill.

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|----|-------|------|
| 23 | ..... | ♞fe8 |
| 24 | ♙h7+  | ♚f8  |
| 25 | ♞d6   | ♙f5  |
| 26 | ♘e6+  | ♚f7  |



At this point I missed 27 ♙xg7#. I had been so embroiled in the beauty of the coming sacs that my brain jumped a gear. Strange how you can see the complex at times and miss the simple moves.

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|----|-------|---------|
| 27 | ♘fg5+ | ♙xg5    |
| 28 | ♘xg5+ | Resigns |

28 ... ♚f8 is followed by 29 ♞f6+ ♙xf6 30 ♙f7#.

Friendly internationals can produce some interesting games. The extra effort of having to use international numeric notation is well worth it!

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We're delighted to publish a game sent by English ICCF Delegate, Alan Rawlings, played recently in the Bernard Partridge Memorial Tourney, Section 15.

White: E. Nielsen (DEN)  
Black: A. Rawlings (ENG)

KI Grünfeld D94

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|---|-----|-----|
| 1 | d4  | ♘f6 |
| 2 | c4  | g6  |
| 3 | ♘c3 | d5  |
| 4 | ♘f3 | ♙g7 |
| 5 | e3  | 0-0 |
| 6 | ♙d3 | c5  |

Should be good enough for equality, especially if your name is Adorjan or you have his book *Winning with the Gruenfeld*. Actually I find I do draw far too many games as Black in this opening.

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|---|------|------|
| 7 | dxc5 | dxc4 |
| 8 | ♙xc4 | ♙a5  |
| 9 | ♙d2  | ♙xc5 |

I seem to remember locating one or two games with 9 0-0. This capture now actually has a slight touch of poison in it, which I almost overlooked.

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|----|-----|-----|
| 10 | ♙b3 | ♙g4 |
| 11 | 0-0 | ♞d8 |
| 12 | ♞c1 | ♘c6 |
| 13 | ♘e4 | ♙f5 |

This is probably the only move that leaves White without a worthwhile sac on f7!



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|----|------|------|
| 14 | ♘eg5 | ♙xf3 |
| 15 | ♘xf3 | ♙e4  |
| 16 | ♞c2  | ♞ac8 |
| 17 | ♙e2  | ♘xd2 |
| 18 | ♞xd2 | ♞xd2 |
| 19 | ♙xd2 | ♞d8  |
| 20 | ♙e2  | ♙d3  |
| 21 | ♙xd3 | ♞xd3 |
| 22 | ♙c4  | ♞d8  |
|    | ½    | ½    |

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We conclude this time with a brevity from the Alan Shaw Memorial Tournament. Chris Boyle provides annotations to a crushing win.

Alan Shaw Memorial Tournament 1995

White: C.F. Boyle (SCO), 2210  
Black: S-A Bessis (FRA), 2330

English Defence B00

- |   |    |    |
|---|----|----|
| 1 | e4 | b6 |
|---|----|----|

This move had me consulting my main source of openings theory, BCO2, published 1989! Page 228 reveals the rather superficial comment, "This move enjoyed a brief revival at the hands of American IM Regan and Yugoslav GM Sahovic. Unfortunately, the attention it received unearthed more accurate lines for White and it is currently considered insufficient." Chess, of course, is not that simple.

2 d4 ♘b7  
3 ♖c3 e6  
4 a3

BCO2 gives 4 ♖ge2!? and attributes this to GM Larsen.

4 ..... ♗e7

Now I am on my own. BCO2 gives only 4 ... ♗f6 or 4 ... g6.

5 ♗f3 ♗f6  
6 ♗d3 0-0  
7 e5

The first important moment of the game. Black has committed his ♖ and so I wanted to expand a little in the centre and then start some action against the Black ♖ earlier than usual.

7 ..... ♗e8

7 ... ♗d5 8 ♗xd5 ♗xd5 9 c4 ±.

8 h4!?

I am not too sure how to evaluate this move. I felt it justified by the position of the black ♖, whilst the white ♖ could go ♖-side or hide at f1.

8 ..... f6  
9 ♗e3 fxe5  
10 dxe5 ♗xf3  
11 gxf3

I was happy with this position. My ♖-side pawns have been messed up but I have the open g-file and in some lines the h-pawn is used as a battering ram against the black ♖.

11 ..... ♗c6  
12 f4 d5  
13 ♖g4! ♖d7  
14 0-0-0



Now with Black's ♖-side counterplay still a long way off, White is clearly better.

14 ..... ♗d8

15 h5

The correct continuation of the attack. I also considered 15 ♖h5 but could find no clear win. The ensuing sacrifice on h7 is possible only following the text move.

15 ..... ♗b8

What else? He needs to play c5 but I fear it's already too late.

16 ♗dg1 ♗c5  
17 ♗xc5 bxc5  
18 ♗xh7+!!

Black is lost. If 18 ... ♖xh7 19 h6 and Black's ♖-side is split apart. Instead 18 ... ♖h8 19 ♗g6 Δh6 leads to the same thing.

1 0

♖♖♖♖♖♖♖♖♖♖♖♖

**Pit stop 4** Solution from pages 34/5

Opponent	From	Opening	Tournament
O'Rourke	Dumfries	French	Handicap
McKnight	Aberdeen	Bird's	Quartet
Rubis-Hopkirk	Dundee	Sicilian	Premier
Kingston	Glasgow	Catalan	Openings
Ponsonby	Edinburgh	Scotch	Major



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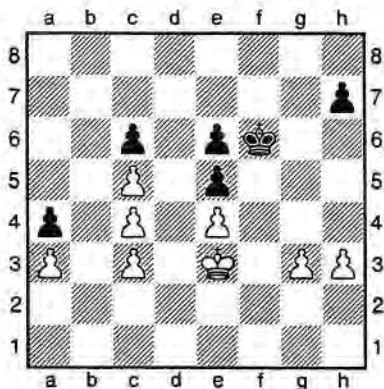


# A Triptych of Whimsical Endgames and a Finish

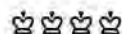
[by Peter Jack]

**P. Jack - A. Armstrong**  
Challenge Tourney, 1987-88

*White to play and win*

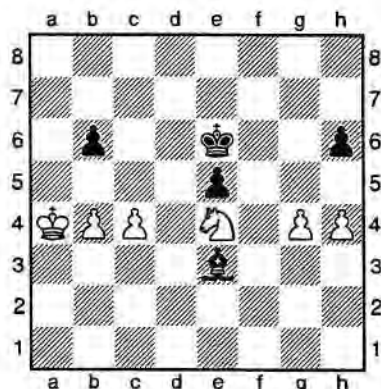


32 ♖f3 ♖g5 33 g4 ♜h4 34 ♖g2  
♜g5 35 ♜g3 ♜g6 36 ♜h4 h6  
37 ♜g3 ♜g5 38 h4+ ♜g6 39 h5+  
♜g5 40 ♜h3 ♜f4 41 ♜h4 ♜xe4  
42 g5 ♜f5 43 g6 ♜f6 44 ♜g4  
Black resigns.

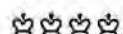


**P. Jack - D. Harvey**  
Challenge Tourney, 1989-90

*Black to play*

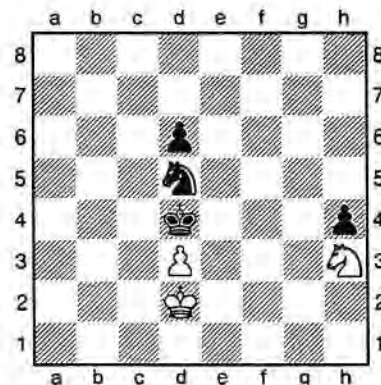


38 ... ♜d8 39 ♜b5 ♜c7 40 c5 bxc5  
41 bxc5 ♜f4 42 g5 hxg5 43 hxg5  
♜e3 44 c6 ♜c1 45 g6 ♜h6  
46 ♜g5 ♜c8 47 ♜b6 ♜g7 48 ♜e4  
Black resigns.



**S. Riley - P. Jack**  
Challenge Tourney, 1994-95

*Black to play and win*



51 ... ♜e5 52 ♜g1 ♜f4 53 White  
resigns



**P. Jack - G. Paneizis**  
EU/III/1088

*White to play and win*



20 ♜b3+ ♜a8 (20 ... ♜b6 21 a5)  
21 ♜b7+ ♜b8 22 ♜a6#.



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10 A Zanetti IM ITA 2480	1	1			1	0	1		◆	1		½	½			
11 CA McNab SCO 2500	½	½	½	0	½	½	0	1	0	◆	1	0	0	1		
12 K Douaouria ALG 2435			0				0	0	0		◆	0	0	0		
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14 G Osterman IM FIN 2545	1	1		½		½	½	1	0	½	1	1	½	◆	1	
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## ICCF INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENTS

(by George Pyrich)

A fairly brisk start to the New Year with 9 new entries (Nos. 1995/20 and 1996/1 to 8 below). Also listed are those unallocated last time (Nos. 1995/18 & 19). As can be seen, 1995 ended with 20 entries for the year, perhaps a disappointing figure when compared to the 26 for 1994 and the 41 of 1993, but this excludes our 17 entrants to the Bernard Partridge Memorial which began on 1st October.

As reported elsewhere, entries may now be made to the new Email and Fax events. To date, this innovation has met with a slow response!

No	Name	Tournament Class/Players	ICCF Tourney Ref	Method of Play
<b>1995</b>				
18	M.G. Brown	European 3rd	7	Corr
19	A.R. Angus	European 1st	7	Corr
20	A. Knox	European 3rd	7	Corr
<b>1996</b>				
1	A.P. Borwell	World Master	7	Email
2	A.P. Borwell	World Master	7	Email
3	J.I. Coltart	World 1st	15	Corr
4	G.M. Anderson	World 2nd	7	Corr
5	M.T. Dyer	Master Norm	11	Corr
6	A.N. Macmillen	European 1st	7	Corr
7	I.H. Marshall	European 1st	15	Corr
8	A.N. Macmillen	European 1st	7	Corr

Also a fair number of results:-

Name	Tournament Class	Final Place	Score
D.M. Bryson	World Ch. XIV, ¼-Final, Section 3	6=	8/14
I.A. Marks	EU/M/1065	7	1½/7
I. Sneddon	EU/I/GT/309	8=	6½/14
S. Collins	EU/III/GT/141	10=	4/14
I.H. Marshall	EU/H/GT/214	13	2½/14

## ICCF THEMATIC TOURNAMENTS

Sections of 5-7 players, two games against each opponent. Top two players qualify for each Final.

**Entries by 15/5/96 Start on 1/8/96**

**7/96: Modern Defence** - 1 e4 g6 2 d4 ♘g7 3 ♗c3 c6 4 ♗f3.

**8/96: Sicilian Sveshnikov** - 1 e4 c5 2 ♗f3 e6 3 d4 cxd4 4 ♗xd4 ♗f6 5 ♗c3 ♗c6 6 ♗db5 d6 7 ♗f4 e5.

**Entries by 1/8/96 Start on 1/10/96**

**9/96: French** - 1 e4 e6 2 ♗f3 d5 3 e5 c5 4 b4

**10/96: Irregular Opening** - 1 ♗f3 d5 2 d4 ♗f5 3 c4 e6

Entry fee is £5 per group (payable to Scottish CCA) to: Mr. George D. Pyrich, 53 Dunnikier Road, Kirkcaldy, Fife, KY1 2RL.



# Friendly Internationals

[by Richard Beecham]

Our year-end audit of results in Friendly Internationals, prior to submitting the annual return to the ICCF Ratings Officer, revealed a large number of results apparently unreported or mislaid. Reminders were sent to a number of players in order to bring our records up-to-date. Those games recorded as "void" in the following tables indicate that either the games were abandoned by one or both players or that no results have been reported.

New matches recently commenced against India, The Netherlands and Uruguay, and arrangements are in the pipeline for matches against Israel, Japan and Greece.

Please check your results and advise me of any inaccuracies - otherwise the results will stand!

Start 1/5/89

	Australia		Scotland
1	V M Pedersen	1½-½	G D Pyrich
2	N Yule	void	A P Borwell
3	G A Shmeleff	0-2	T J Craig
4	G R Lambert	1½-½	R A Inglis
5	G Bullock	½½-½½	J Seyfried
6	J J Mackie	¾½-¾½	A T Hislop
7	J Kuiper	1½-½	K W C Stewart
8	G Pikes	¾½-¾½	I H Marshall
9	C D McKenzie	2-0	R J P Kynoch
10	A Sims	2-0	I A Mackintosh
11	M F Bruere	0-2	M J Macleod
12	J E Ramsden	0-2	T J C McNab
13	G Eraclides	1½-½	A D Penman
14	S Field	void	A Docherty
15	T J Passlow	2-0	D L Gillespie
16	C M Glanville	0-2	Mrs M Inglis
17	P Jonovic	0-2	I W S Mitchell
18	D Roeback	void	D G Parsons
19	A O Holloway	2-0	J Stallard
20	H Larsen	0-2	I Sneddon
21	G R Kelly	2-0	B W Grant
22	P J Hughes	0-2	E Thompson
23	P J Silling	void	D V Gibbs
24	J D Smith	0-2	B Goodwin
25	A Hopp	2-0	F R Ross
Final Score		21-21	

Start 1/5/89

	IRELAND		SCOTLAND
1	J Nolan	1½-½	TJ Craig
2	JF Gibson	¾½-¾½	MT Dyer
3	J Delaney	0-2	GD Pyrich
4	KO Riordan	1½-½	CF Boyle
5	J Corby	1-1	AT Hislop
6	L Brady	1-1	K Seyfried
7	A Dennehy	2-0	M Macleod
8	J Griffin	1-1	M Mitchell
9	J Noone	2-0	IA Marks
10	D Fennelly	2-0	KWC Stewart
11	T Fayne	0-2	NA Down
12	A McDonagh	2-0	E Thompson
13	J Killane	2-0	I Mackintosh
14	B Gallaher	¾½-¾½	R Inglis
15	F Humphrys	2-0	I Marshall
16	D Kennedy	2-0	AD Penman
17	H Scarry	2-0	K Gordon
18	M Miskelly	2-0	Mrs EA Hartford
19	A Duffy	2-0	J Merrifield
20	J Kennedy	2-0	C Donkin
21	S Nesson	void	JMT Ryan
22	F Armstrong	0-2	DL Gillespie
23	L Lynch	2-0	T McMorran
24	C Rafferty	½-1½	DG McRoberts
25	P McNamara	0-2	R Pells
26	A. Bent	void	I. Sneddon
27	T Conlan	0-2	Mrs M Inglis
28	P. Quinn	void	R. Mitchell
29	C Sloan	2-0	J Stallard
30	R Bowe	2-0	Mrs S Nimmo
Final Score		36½-17½	

Start 1/8/91

	ALGERIA		SCOTLAND
1	L. Meslem	0-2	N. Down
2	N. Hannoun	0-2	A. Hind
3	A. Chorfa	2-0	G.E. Wallwork
4	M. Abdellatif	¾½-¾½	G.A. Morton
5	O. Benagoudjil	1-1	K.W.C. Stewart
6	K. Douaouria	void	A.G. Stalker
7	N. Metali	void	I.P. Whittaker
8	D. Benkiar	void	C. McKay
9	M. Kahlouch	void	A. Nisbet
10	A. Rekek	0-2	E.A. Hartford
11	B. Tadjedine	0-2	I.W.S. Mitchell
12	M. Djelili	0-2	S.J. Baczkowski
13	D. Hammoudi	¾½-¾½	J. Anderson
14	K. Chougui	1-1	D.B. McGarva
15	T. Bentaleb	1-1	D.R. Cumming
Final Score		7-15	

Start 15/6/91

	POLAND		SCOTLAND
1	J Jablonski	½-1½	AP Borwell
2	W Bielecki	1-1	GD Pyrich
3	R Kujawski	1-1	NA Down
4	J Ciesielski	¾½-¾½	AT Hislop
5	K Marcinkowski	0-2	GWG Livie
6	K Myslowski	¾½-¾½	GE Wallwork
7	E Olej	1-1	GA Morton
8	R Walkiewicz	¾½-¾½	A McMonigle
9	M Kokosinski	1½-½	KWC Stewart
10	A Cyrus	2-0	AD Kilgariff
11	D Fraczek	void	AG Stalker
12	M Barczynski	void	I Whittaker
13	K Kujawski	¾½-¾½	T Thomson
14	S Gorkiewicz	2-0	C McKay
15	L Marusiak	1-0	D Crichton
16	J Ciupinski	2-0	DJ Savage
17	M Zboron	2-0	NR McEwan
18	R Sternik	void	A Nisbet
19	R Marczak	2-0	Mrs EA Hartford
20	S Turlej	½-1½	JPE Jack
21	J Dziel	2-0	J Fisher
22	J Turczynowicz	void	M Pearce
23	T Brus	2-0	T McMorran
24	F Stachowicz	0-2	IWS Mitchell
25	T Kirylo	1-1	DG McRoberts
26	P Ozimek	¾½-¾½	DR Cumming
27	M Garbacki	¾½-¾½	DB McGarva
28	W Kozlowski	2-0	J Anderson
29	Z Kulesza	1-1	R Dowson
30	AP Wasiluk	1-1	CA Macgregor
Current total		31½-19½	

Start 15/11/91

	NEW ZEALAND		SCOTLAND
1	M Noble	1½-½	GD Pyrich
2	B Sinclair	½-1½	GE Wallwork
3	C Mold	1-1	AT Hislop
4	R Mitchell	0-2	NA Down
5	W Wiederkehr	½-1½	T Thomson
6	IM Sims	¾½-¾½	KWC Stewart
7	G Lovelock	0-2	A Hind
8	D Beattie	0-2	AWI Campbell
9	S Cameron	¾½-¾½	AD Kilgariff
10	JW Maxwell	void	AG Stalker
11	E Roberts	2-0	DJ Savage
12	A Winship	0-2	NR McEwan
13	B Williams	1½-½	Mrs EA Hartford
14	M Rocks	0-2	T McMorran
15	E Swayne	void	S Hilton
16	A Sharko	0-2	Mrs S Macgilchrist
17	W Anderson	0-2	IWS Mitchell
18	J Frederikson	½-1½	DR Cumming
19	L Purvis	0-2	DG McRoberts
20	D Heperi	0-2	R Dowson
Final Score		9-27	

Start 1/2/92

	PORTUGAL		SCOTLAND
1	F Cleto	½-1½	AP Borwell
2	LS Reis	2-0	GD Pyrich
3	CS Marques	½-1½	DM Livie
4	R Nunes	0-2	GA Morton
5	E Louro	0-2	J Watson
6	A Rodrigues	void	KWC Stewart
7	C Fernandes	1½-½	I Sneddon
8	L Oliveira	1-1	E Thompson
9	Jose Peres	½-1½	AWI Campbell
10	Joao Peres	1½-½	DJ Savage
11	LF Ferreira	1½-½	NR McEwan
12	M Curado	½-1½	I Mackintosh
13	J Reis	1-1	S Macgilchrist
14	M Goncalves	0-2	DG McRoberts
15	P Azevedo	0-2	SJ Baczkowski
16	AJCF Silva	void	SG Mackenzie
17	P Guerreiro	2-0	J Stallard
18	Ant. Rodrigues	2-0	D Fleming
19	A Vitor	0-2	AN Macmillen
20	M Salvador	2-0	CA Macgregor
Final score		16½-19½	

Start 1/8/92

	LATVIA		SCOTLAND
1	I Abolinsh	1-1	GD Pyrich
2	V Krivonovov	3/4-3/4	GA Morton
3	G Prieditis	2-0	E Thompson
4	N Zuravlovs	void	R Cochrane
5	N Gurtovojvs	1-1	I Mackintosh
6	G Rudzitis	2-0	A Armstrong
7	A Hils	1-1	IWS Mitchell
8	V. Schulz	1/2-1 1/2	AN Macmillen
9	J F Ikarts	1/2-1/2	SJ Baczkowski
10	J Dadzis	1 1/2-1/2	DG McRoberts
11	I Reneslacijs	2-0	S Hilton
12	H Gulbis	3/4-3/4	AC Norris
	Final Score	13 3/4-7 1/4	

Start 1/7/93

	SCOTLAND		ESTONIA
1	GD Pyrich	1/2-1 1/2	T Oim
2	IA Marks	0-2	A Hermlin
3	J Henderson	1 1/2-1/2	H Tomson
4	W Rutherford	void	E Liebert
5	Mrs E Hartford	0-2	Mrs M Rõtova
6	A Armstrong	1/2-1 1/2	L Vahesaar
7	CA Macgregor	0-2	V Tammemägi
8	NR McEwan	0-2	H Ploompuu
9	AN MacMillen	2-0	V Arvik
10	B Milligan	0-2	A Kangur
	Final Score	4 1/2-13 1/2	

Start 1/4/93

	SCOTLAND		FRANCE
1	GD Pyrich	1 1	P Andrieu
2	I Marshall	0 2	R Roelens
3	J Henderson	0 2	JF Baudoin
4	T Thomson	1/2 1 1/2	C Bernard
5	CA Macgregor	0 2	JM Dijon
6	KWC Stewart	0 2	D Bouchez
7	I Sneddon	1/2 1 1/2	G Beck
8	Mrs E Hartford	0-2	JP Guillaume
9	AWI Campbell	1/2 1 1/2	P Becquerelle
10	IA Mackintosh	1/2-1 1/2	H Vinagre
11	DJ Savage	0 2	F Aloyz
12	Rev AC Norris	1/2-1 1/2	M Vandervoort
13	A Armstrong	1/2 1 1/2	F Fournier
14	NR McEwan	void	A Audie
15	AN MacMillen	void	M Aymard
16	J McMenemy	void	C Husser (dec'd)
17	B Milligan	0 2	L Leclerc
18	G McKnight	1 1	D Aubron
19	DB McGarva	void	S Parey
20	CA Macgregor	0 2	C. Robeson
	Final Score	5-27	

(Could have been worse - might have been rugby!)

Start 1/6/93

	SCOTLAND		BCCA
1	GD Pyrich	1/2-1 1/2	AM Stewart
2	I Marshall		LD Ackerley
3	J Henderson		AR Walters
4	T Thomson		AN Morris
5	W Rutherford	0-2	DB Arrington
6	KWC Stewart	0-2	RN Dixon
7	I Sneddon	1/2-1 1/2	A Byrne
8	Mrs E Hartford	1/2-1 1/2	AW Hooper
9	AWI Campbell	1-1	R Scruton
10	IA Mackintosh		DK Toye
11	DJ Savage	1 1/2-1/2	MG Jones
12	S Hilton		DW Whymark
13	A Armstrong	0-2	VW Griffiths
14	NR McEwan		Dr MB Green
15	AN MacMillen	1/2-1 1/2	CJ Soltysiak
16	J McMenemy	1/2-1 1/2	GM Richards
17	B Milligan	1 1/2-1/2	EP Connelly
18	G McKnight	2-0	R Barnes
	Current total	8 1/2-15 1/2	

Start 1/10/93

	CANADA		SCOTLAND
1	Z Sarosy		A P Borwell
2	A Ugge	1 1/2-1/2	IA Marks
3	P Schuetze	1 1/2-1/2	KWC Stewart
4	N Ziminski		I Marshall
5	R Marconi	2-0	J Henderson
6	J Vanderploeg		C F Boyle
7	M Fortin	2-0	A Radlow
8	M Marchant	0-2	A Feinstein
9	F Nazarian	2-0	T McMorran
10	O Farid	1/2-1/2	JA Clayton
11	A Fichaud	2-0	I Sneddon
12	P Boulerville		R Cochrane
13	R Deline	1/2-1 1/2	A Hind
14	J Quiring	0-2	IA Mackintosh
15	G Estes	1 1/2-1/2	D J Savage
16	M Emig	2-0	A McMonigle
17	C Posylek		Rev A C Norris
18	Dr C Smith	0-2	S Brady
19	L De Haan		A N MacMillen
20	H DeCourcy		N R McEwan
21	S Lalonde	2-0	A C Brown
22	H Frederiksen		A Armstrong
23	D Grabb		B Milligan
24	F Spizzirri		D B McGarva
25	J Baril	1-0	C A Macgregor
	Current total	18 1/2-9 1/2	

Start 1/1/94

	SCOTLAND		BRAZIL
1	GD Pyrich	1 1/2-1/2	MS de Abreu
2	KWC Stewart	1/2-1 1/2	L do Prado
3	IA Marks		JB da Silva
4	Mrs EA Hartford	0-2	D Cleto Jnr
5	MH Dunn	2-0	AF Sobral
6	I Sneddon		LC de Lima
7	AC Brown		N Faversoni Jr
8	Ms S Macgilchrist		JM Messias
9	AN Macmillen		DM Cândido
10	AC Norris	1 1/2-1/2	E Tafner
11	DR Cumming	1/2-1 1/2	FF Torre
12	DJ Savage		PAP de Silva
13	T McMorran		WM Coelho
14	SG MacKenzie		HS e Silva
15	F Hall	1/2-1/2	SMM Cunha
16	A Armstrong	2-0	LF do Carmo
17	F Ross		AC Coelho
18	B Milligan	0-1	HAM César
19	KJ Guthrie		JLM Borges
20	GM Anderson	0-2	G de S Baptista
	Current total	8 1/2-9 1/2	

Start 1/6/94

	SCOTLAND		BELGIUM
1	NA Down	2-0	R Pardon
2	KWC Stewart	1/2-1 1/2	M vd Stappen
3	IS Campbell	0-1	H Bossuyt
4	I Marshall	0-1	A Pardon
5	T Thomson		J Leroy
6	IA Marks	1/2-1 1/2	T De Greve
7	J Watson	2-0	P Jobses
8	Mrs EA Hartford		M Rottier
9	MH Dunn	1-1	J Parotte
10	AN Macmillen	0-1	P Goyvaerts
11	AC Norris		R Uylenbroeck
12	I Sneddon	1/2-1 1/2	M Moerman
13	I Aird	2-0	P Billion
14	AWI Campbell		M Ringoir
15	I Mackintosh	2-0	K Heynen
16	DR Cumming	1 1/2-1/2	M Cravatte
17	A Armstrong	2-0	Y de Lombaerde
18	GM Anderson	1/2-1 1/2	M Poppe
19	B Milligan	1-1	L Schepers
20	CA Macgregor	0-2	J Maes
21	A Roberts	0-2	B van Beurden
	Current total	17-14	

Start 1/6/94

	SCOTLAND		CZECH REP.
1	J Shaw	1/2-1 1/2	O Sedláček
2	NA Down		J Pletaněk
3	GD Pyrich	1/2-1 1/2	Z Necasany
4	E Davis		M Fuka
5	JB Henderson		B Kopecký
6	Mrs EA Hartford		P Sváček
7	AC Norris		V Chládek
8	AN Macmillen		V Vyskocil
9	AC Brown	1/2-1/2	V Hýbl
10	Mrs S Macgilchrist		Z Nývlt
11	I Mackintosh	2-0	K Dudek
12	DR Cumming	0-2	J Canibal
13	DJ Savage	1/2-1 1/2	J Mrkvice
14	SG MacKenzie		J Ryška
15	DG McRoberts		B Glembek
16	A Armstrong	1/2-1 1/2	V Houdek
17	B Milligan	2-0	V Breisky
18	CA Macgregor	0-2	K Glaser
19	B Wood		E Lenz
20	B. Setchell		L Zimmerman
	Current total	7 1/2-9 1/2	

Start 1/6/94

	SCOTLAND		SWITZERLAND
1	NA Down	1/2-1 1/2	A Gysi
2	J Shaw		H Kramer
3	GD Pyrich		K Blattner
4	KWC Stewart	1/2-1 1/2	M Cavaletto
5	S Riley		L Jacot
6	I Marshall		G Terreaux
7	G McKnight		G Bertola
8	T Thomson		H Sadeghi
9	J Watson	1/2-1 1/2	M Möslinger
10	Mrs EA Hartford	0-2	P Berclaz
11	M Frischer	1-1	M Vonlanthen
12	I Sneddon		T Wuerth
13	I Aird	1-1	M Welti
14	S Macgilchrist		M Burkhalter
15	AN Macmillen		H Schneider
16	AC Norris		H Furrer
17	I Mackintosh		G Berner
18	DR Cumming	0-1	D Weber
19	DG McRoberts	0-2	B Abegg
20	A Armstrong	0-2	M Gloor
21	K Guthrie		F Brun
22	B Milligan	0-2	M Streuli
23	GM Anderson	1-1	A Gmür
24	B Setchell	0-2	H Lüthi
25	B Wood		B Wyder
	Current total	5 1/2-17 1/2	

Start 1/2/95

	SCOTLAND		ASPPC
1	G D Pyrich		R. Barry
2	J. Watson		S. Barbre
3	I. Mackintosh		B. Moore
4	I. Sneddon	0-2	K. Miettinen
5	D.R. Cumming		J. Hopfer
6	M. Harkins		M. Mulford
7	C.R. Beecham	2-0	J. Evans
8	G. McKnight		H. Sikes
9	A. Armstrong		R. Slater
10	A. Taylor		Dr. B. Shearer
11	B. Milligan		G. Wyszynski
12	R.J. Simpson		W. Sedlmayer
Current Total			2-2

Start 1/2/95

	Scotland		BCCS
1	J. Watson	1½-½	R Thomas
2	M Harkins		N Ardin
3	G M Anderson	½½-½½	N Keech
4	I Sneddon		C Holt
5	D R Cumming	½-1½	P Grimsey
6	M H Dunn		B Mason
7	A Armstrong		B Oakes
8	A Taylor		N Payne
9	B Milligan		I Truscott
10	M Frischer		R Mann
11	R J Simpson		J Fenton
12	C R Beecham		K V Ramanamurthi
Current Total			3-3

Start 1/4/95

	Scotland		South Africa
1	KW C Stewart		H L Bosenborg
2	G D Pyrich	½½-½½	C Hayes
3	G M Anderson		T van Greuning
4	I Sneddon	void	J Chester
5	I Mackintosh		P Smith
6	M Harkins		J Badenhorst
7	D J Savage		D Terblanche
8	D R Cumming		H Benade
9	G McKnight		A Goosen
10	D G McRoberts		K Michalakias
11	R J Simpson	0-2	L R Reitstein
12	P Cromey		J Nelson
Current Total			1-3

Start 1/5/95

	Scotland		Bulgaria
1	A P Borwell		I Minkov
2	G D Pyrich		I Christov
3	K W C Stewart		G Sapundjiev
4	T Thomson		L Kaltchev
5	J Watson		S Spasov
6	G E Wallwork		S Kaltchev
7	M H Dunn		K Botchev
8	I Sneddon		L Parvanov
9	I Mackintosh		D Gerasimov
10	M Harkins		D Angelov
11	W M Cook		R Angelov
12	W Harper		S Salimov
13	G M Anderson		T Demirev
14	Mrs EA Hartford		R Aleksandrov
15	D J Savage		I Popov
16	S Riley		T Kirkov
17	D R Cumming		P Stefanov
18	A Armstrong		A Zonev
19	A Roberts		B Ignatov
20	C A Macgregor		P Panayotov
Current Total			

Start 15/1/96

	Scotland		India
1	G D Pyrich		M B Mulla
2	A P Borwell		P M Dalvi
3	K W C Stewart		K Lhouvum
4	T Thomson		H J Samtani
5	J Watson		C S Mohan
6	G E Wallwork		A Chatterjee
7	G M Anderson		S A Salgaocar
8	I Sneddon		K L Gala
9	I Mackintosh		V H Chole
10	M Harkins		N K Bajpai
11	D J Savage		V D Pandit
12	D R Cumming		M Reddy
13	A Armstrong		A Gupta
14	D G McRoberts		S M Kutty
15	A Taylor		K Miyani
Current Total			

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53 Dunnikier Road,  
Kirkcaldy,  
Fife, KY1 2RL.

Start 15/1/96

	Scotland		Netherlands
1	G D Pyrich		P Roos
2	K W C Stewart		J Jansen
3	G E Wallwork		F Jonkman
4	C R Beecham		A van Meggelen
5	I Mackintosh		G v d Haak
6	I H Marshall		G Kamminga
7	C Almarza-Mato		K Romijn
8	Mrs E Hartford		M Reijen
9	G M Anderson		H Penninkhof
10	J MacArthur		E Roose
11	I Sneddon		T Bunt
12	W Cook		P Rotte
13	D J Savage		R de Haas
14	A N Macmillen		P Waltmans
15	D R Cumming		B Faber
16	R B Crosbie		J Niewold
17	A Hind		J de Vries
18	S Brady		J W Ketzer
19	J P E Jack		J C Koppejan
20	A Armstrong		H Caarls
21	S K McInroy		J van Doorn
22	J I Coltart		J de Neef
23	C Dowell		P P Geluk
24	B Milligan		W D Heel
25	P McConnell		E J Peters
26	C R James		A C de Rooij
Current Total			

Start 1/4/96

	Scotland		Uruguay
1	K W C Stewart		D Ruzo
2	I A Mackintosh		E Beron
3	C R Beecham		J C Luzardp
4	I H Marshall		Q E A Ramini
5	C Almarza-Mato		D Tacoronte
6	G M Anderson		E Hernandez
7	I Sneddon		C Sacco
8	D J Savage		J Bentancurt
9	A N Macmillen		D Ibañez
10	D R Cumming		G Berrutti
Current Total			

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J.W. Kilgour

**January:** D.M. Livie  
I. Mackintosh

**February:** Allen Taylor  
G.W.G. Livie

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## ICCF OLYMPIAD XII PRELIMINARIES SECTION 4

Board 1				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Pts
1	Camilleri	H	2395	MLT	◆	0	1	0	½	1	1	0	1	½		
2	Markauss	J	2545	LAT	1	◆	1	½	1	½	1	½	½	½	1	
3	Chia	C-S	(2200)	SIP	0	0	◆	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	Portilho	GF	2410	BRS	½	1	◆				0					
5	Har-Even	A	2500	ISL	1	0	1	◆			1		1	½		
6	Leonardo	JP	2430	POR	½	½	1		◆		½		½	½	1	
7	Wolny	R	2450	POL	0	0	1			◆	0	1	½		½	
8	Cayford	T	2420	USA	0		1	1	0	1	◆	½	1	1		
9	Miskovsky	P	2505	CSR	1	½	1			½	0	½	◆	1	0	
10	Gillam	SR	2365	SCO	0	½	1		0	½	0	0	◆	½	½	
11	Thorbergsson	B	2525	ISD	½	½	1		½	½	0	1	½	◆	1	
12	Keplevic	P	2305	CRO		0	1			0	½		½	0	◆	

Board 2				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Pts
1	Attard	W	2110	MLT	◆	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	Vitomskis	J	2505	LAT	1	◆	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
3	Teo	B	2260	SIP	1	0	◆	0	0	½	0	0	0	0	0	
4	de Cresce	SH	2450	BRS	1		1	◆	½	½	1	½	1			
5	Granski	M	2495	ISL	1	0			◆	0	½	0				
6	Oliveira	AM	2315	POR	1	0	1	½	1	◆	0	½	0	½		
7	Dors	R	2500	POL	1	0	½	½	½		◆	½	½	½	0	0
8	Callaghan	RS	2485	USA	1	0	1	0	½	1	½	◆	0	½	½	5½
9	Spodny	J	2460	CSR	1	0	1	½		½	1	◆	½	0		
10	Pyrich	GD	2335	SCO	1	0	1	0	1	½	½	½	◆	0	1	
11	Palsson	JA	2455	ISD	1		1			1	1	½	½	1	◆	
12	Klaic	P	2450	CRO	1		1			½	1	½	1	0	◆	

Board 3				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Pts
1	Sollars	C	(2200)	MLT	◆	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	Pulkis	V	2500	LAT	1	◆	½		1	0	½	½	½	½		
3	Williams/Mooi		(2200)	SIP	1	½	◆	0	0	0	0	0	½	0	½	
4	Felicio	C	2350	BRS	1		1	◆		½	½	½	½	1		
5	Kuperman	B	2325	ISL	1	0	1	◆			1		0			
6	Moura	AB	2415	POR	1		1			◆	½	½			1	
7	Matlak	J	(2200)	POL	1	1	1				◆	1	½	1	0	
8	Dehmelt/Meyers		2430	USA	1		1	½	0	½	0	◆	½	½	0	
9	Manduch	M	2450	CSR	1	½	1	½	½	½		◆	1			
10	Craig	TJ	2335	SCO	1		½	½	½	½	0	0	◆	½	½	
11	Kristinsson	J	2440	ISD	1	½	1	½	1		0		½	◆	½	
12	Paravic	Z	(2200)	CRO	1	½	½	0		0	1	1	½	½	◆	

Board 4				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Pts
1	Camilleri	S	(2200)	MLT	◆	0	½	0	½	0	0	0	0	½	0	0
2	Strautinsh	U	2485	LAT	1	◆	1	1	1	1	½	0	1	½	1	
3	Teo	K-C	2310	SIP	½	0	◆	½	0	½		0	½	0	0	
4	Alvarenga	RF	2435	BRS	1	0	½	◆	½	1	½	½	1		1	
5	Azar	P	2455	ISL	½	0	1	½	◆	½	1		½	1	1	
6	Almeida	MC	(2200)	POR	1		½	0	½	◆	½		1		½	
7	Marcinkiewicz	A	2405	POL	1	0			0	½	◆		0	½	½	
8	Martinowsky	E	2380	USA	½	1	½					◆	½	1	½	
9	Danek	L	2545	CSR	1	1	½	½			1	½	◆	½		
10	Livie	DM	2290	SCO	½	0	1	0	½	0	½	0	½	◆	½	
11	Gudmundsson	K	2385	ISD	1	½	1		0	½	½			◆	0	
12	Movre	D	2345	CRO	1	0	1	0	0	½	½		½	1	◆	

Board 5				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Pts	
1	Sammut	R	(2200)	MLT	◆	0	0	0	0	0	0	½	0	1	½	0	2
2	Strautinsh	V	2470	LAT	1	◆	½	½	0			1	1	1	0		
3	Wang	M-L	(2200)	SIP	1	½	◆		0		1		1	½	½		
4	Amorim	GS	2455	BRS	1	½			◆	½				1			
5	Eljakhim	D	(2200)	ISL	1	1	1	½	◆	1	1	0		1			
6	Demetrio/Cordiero		2285	POR	1				0	◆	½		1				
7	Haag/Nizynski	M	(2200)	POL	1		0		0		◆	0		1	½	½	
8	Embrey	K	2500	USA	½				1	½	1	◆	½	½	1	½	
9	Marczell	P	2475	CSR	1	0						½	◆	1	0	½	
10	Beecham	CR	2235	SCO	0	0	0		0	0	0	½	0	◆	0	0	
11	Thorsteinsson	E	2360	ISD	½	0	½	0			½	0	1	1	◆	0	
12	Krivic	D	2245	CRO	1	1	½				½	½	½	1	1	◆	

Board 6				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Pts	
1	Mifsud	T	(2200)	MLT	◆	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	Dauga	Z	2450	LAT	1	◆	1		1	1	½	0	1	1	½		
3	Leong	V	(2200)	SIP	1	0	◆	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
4	Barata	HAG	(2200)	BRS	1		1	◆					1	½			
5	Oren	I	2410	ISL	1	0	1			◆	0		0	1	½	0	
6	Morais	VM	2375	POR	1	0	1				◆	1	1		1	0	
7	Sapa	W	2240	POL	1	½	1		1	0	◆		1	½	½		
8	Owen	L	2420	USA	1	1	1			0		◆		½			
9	Laurenc	P	2445	CSR	1	0	1		1	0			◆	1	½		
10	Jenkins	DM	2310	SCO	1	0	1	0	0	0	½		0	◆	½	0	
11	Halldorsson	JA	(2200)	ISD	1	½	1	½	½	1	½	½	½	½	◆	½	7
12	Strucic	I	(2200)	CRO	1		1		1					1	½	◆	







### V EUROPEAN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP PRELIMINARIES - SECTION 3

Norm

No	BOARD 9 - R.W.M. BAXTER 7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Pts
1	Marques, J L S (POR) (2215)	◆										
2	Agejevas, A IM (LIT) 2455		◆									
3	Plomp, M P (NLD) 2440			◆	1			½				
4	Baker, A P (WLS) (2200)			0	◆		0	1				
5	Kilpi, T (FIN) (2200)					◆			½			
6	De Beck, E (BEL) (2200)				1		◆		0			
7	Baxter, R W M (SCO) (2260)			½	0			◆				
8	Sedlacek, O (CZE) (2275)					½	1		◆			
9	Meshebizkij, S I (UKR) 2455									◆		
10	Rousselot, B (FRA) 2375										◆	

No	BOARD 10 - T. THOMSON 6	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Pts
1	Ferreira, J G (POR) 2235	◆			1							
2	Rubinas, P (LIT) (2380)		◆									
3	Van de Kley, C (NLD) 2430			◆		1						
4	Griffith, M J (WLS) 2230	0			◆	0		0				
5	Jaatinen, P (FIN) 2340			0	1	◆					½	
6	Laurent, C (BEL) 2250						◆					
7	Thomson, T (SCO) (2200)				1			◆				
8	Urban, J (CZE) 2395								◆			
9	Miljutin, O P IM (UKR) 2435									◆		
10	Del Gobbo, M (FRA) 2520					½					◆	

No	BOARD 11 - I.A. MARKS 7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Pts
1	Peres, J L M (POR) (2200)	◆		0	1			1				
2	Sutkus, V (LIT) 2270		◆									
3	Pillhock, U D (NLD) 2440	1		◆	1			1				
4	Clifford, N (WLS) (2200)	0		0	◆	0		1			0	
5	Hietanen, P (FIN) 2320				1	◆		½			½	
6	Deschamp, G (BEL) (2200)						◆	1			0	
7	Marks, I A (SCO) (2200)	0		0	0	½	0	◆		½	0	
8	Lizan, L (CZE) 2410								◆			
9	Pawlenko, J B (UKR) 2420							½		◆		
10	Muller, J (FRA) (2200)				1	½	1	1			◆	

No	BOARD 12 - C.F. BOYLE 7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Pts
1	Rodrigues, J C (POR) (2200)	◆		½			½					
2	Vaitonis, V (LIT) 2465		◆			½						
3	Etmans, M D (NLD) 2300	½		◆	1	0		½	0			
4	Grier, C (WLS) 2200			0	◆		½	½				
5	Johansson, C-E (FIN) 2320		½	1		◆						
6	Rodriguez, M (BEL) 2385	½			½		◆					
7	Boyle, C F (SCO) (2200)			½	½			◆	0		0	
8	Pletanek, J (CZE) 2405			1				1	◆		½	
9	Stawitschuk, A P (UKR) (2200)									◆		
10	Spitz, C (FRA) (2200)							1	½		◆	

### READER'S LETTERS

From Martin Roberts, Bankfoot, Perthshire

Martin writes that he was tempted to ask how long correspondence chess will last, given the arrival of fax, e-mail and goodness knows what else. Instead, he will assume that CC has a future and submits the following.....

"Why are there no titles like *How to Play Correspondence Chess?* Although Andy Muir and Jonathan Penrose are two striking examples of OTB players excelling at CC, it does seem to be a slightly different game, yet no-one bothers to explain the difference (if there is one).

Is it true that certain openings are suited/unsuited to CC? When choosing a middle-game plan or contemplating an ending, do the same principles apply in both games? How about a pamphlet from Mr. Bryson?"

[Editor's comment: I think that there will be a continuing and growing interest in all forms of CC, i.e. normal/air mail - fax -Email etc. The idea of asking leading CC exponents to "share their innermost thoughts" is a good one! A book dedicated to CC play is being written by Tim Harding and will be published by Batsfords later this year.]

From J.W. Kilgour, Musselburgh

"I was browsing through old copies of SCC (June 94) and felt the need to give my opinion on the use of computers in postal chess (Philip Giulian's article).

I feel the use of computers in postal play a very unfair system to allow. If a computer points a simple combination that you have missed, surely it is the same as a friend helping you out in a complicated position, and I do not feel that this is the idea behind playing! If I wish to play a computer, then if I could afford it I'd buy one. I'm afraid I think of this as nothing short of gamesmanship and all games won on this level cannot be attributed to the player but the machine used!!

I was playing in the British Correspondence Chess Society and a very strong player had written in their magazine that over the last 4-5 years he had never lost to so many very low graded players in his life (and he was backed up by a few others) and felt this was due to the use of computers. I'm a very low graded player myself but if I used a metal box my grading would rise very quickly and, of course, it's just a con!! So, come on, let's get the things banned and play human v human!! Anyone else feel the same way?

[Editor - Probably the majority of players would like to see computers banned but is there a practical way of achieving and monitoring this?]

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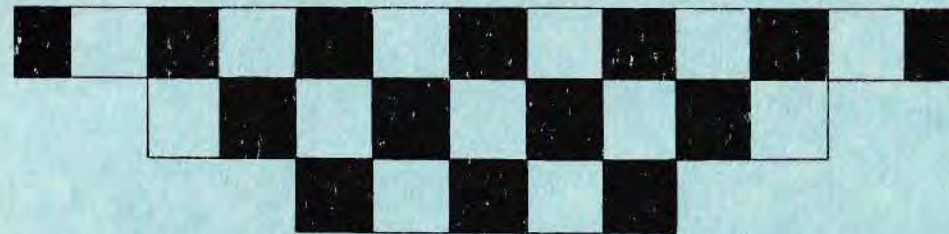
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