BCCF E-MAIL BULLETIN #180

Your editor welcomes any and all submissions - news of upcoming events, tournament reports, and anything else that might be of interest to B.C. players. Thanks to all who contributed to this issue.

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Best wishes to everyone for the holiday season!

Stephen Wright

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HERE AND THERE

Portland Winter Open (December 12-13)

Vancouver junior Jingzhou (Peter) Lai made the long journey to Portland, Oregon to play in that city's Winter Open tournament. He tied for second in the small Open Section (eight players) with 3.0/5, a point behind winner Nick Raptis. Jingzhou drew two games against opponents rated over 2000, given below.

Crosstable: http://main.uschess.org/assets/msa_joomla/XtblMain.php?200912149511-13697271

Morris, Michael J. - Lai, Jingzhou [C12] Winter op Portland (4), 13.12.2009

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Bb4 5.e5 h6 6.Bd2 Bxc3 7.bxc3 Ne4 8.Qg4 g6 9.Bd3 Nxd2 10.Kxd2 c5 11.Nf3 Nc6 12.Rhb1 a6 13.Qf4 cxd4 14.cxd4 b5 15.g4 Ra7 16.Ke2 Rc7 17.Qd2 Qe7 18.a4 b4 19.a5 Kf8 20.h4 Kg7 21.h5 g5 22.Rb3 Rf8 23.Kf1 f5 24.gxf5 exf5 25.c3 g4 26.Ng1 bxc3 27.Rxc3 Nxd4 28.Re1 Ne6 29.Rb3 Rc6 30.Ne2 Qh4 31.Rb6 1/2-1/2 [It appears Black is winning in the final position - perhaps time trouble was an issue?]

Szendroi, Robert J. - Lai, Jingzhou [A37] Winter op Portland (5), 13.12.2009

1.c4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7 5.a3 a6 6.Rb1 Rb8 7.b4 cxb4 8.axb4 b5 9.cxb5 axb5 10.Nf3 Nf6 11.d4 Qc7 12.Qb3 d6 13.e4 0-0 14.0-0 Bg4 15.Be3 Rfc8 16.Rbc1 Qd8 17.Rfd1 Qe8 18.h3 Bd7 19.Kh2 e5 20.d5 Ne7 21.Nd2 Nh5 22.f3 f5 23.Bf2 Bh6 24.Rc2 Qf7 25.Nf1 Rb7 1/2-1/2

Canadian Chess News

A reminder that editor Tony Ficzere of Calgary is seeking content for the new CFC newsletter from players and organizers across the country; if you have a contribution, his email address is <u>tficzere@telus.net</u>. Deadline for submissions is the 18th of each month, with issues scheduled to appear on the 21st. If you are a CFC member and have yet to receive a copy, contact CFC executive director Gerry Litchfield at <u>info@chess.ca</u>.

FIRST SATURDAY DECEMBER by Michael Yip

"After a month's break and reflection, I concluded that to make further progress, a widening of my repertoire and corresponding middlegame knowlege was required. As my opponents are more or less the same from tournament to tournament, they have ample time to prepare and are used to my current preferences. Since last month I found myself an apartment and have a much better facility for studying.

I finished with 6/11 (+2 -1 =8) with the loss coming against the 9-year old unrated Vietnamese Asian boys champion. His brother also played in the the FM-A group and crushed his opposition. After the first two games which I won, the story of my tournament was the number of missed opportunites I had, especially in the last three games. But to be fair I did save one completely lost position in round 3.

My new openings seemed to confuse my opponents early and throw off their preparations. However, as I was on unfamiliar ground, I did not know the typical middlegame ideas/plans well enough to navigate my way though the complicated positions that arose.

After the tournament ended I had lunch with Thomas Heyl (Germany). He made this interesting comment: "...you're easy to prepare for. You like everything neat and tidy. Every piece and pawn in its right place. You won't make a weakening move even if it is good for you..." (paraphrasing).

My score should be result in a 20 point rating gain but analysis of the games show severe defects in my play. I started working with the interesting book *Revolutionize Your Chess* by Moskalenko and trying to understand positions using his five touchstones. The book also shows a test that Moskalenko gives to his students. This seems like a useful exercise to gauge performance when used regularly."

Merry Xmas Michael Yip Budapest

[Despite being a round robin three players had 'withdrawn' by the end of the tournament schedule -Michael was one of the few who actually played all their games. Some players received three points via forfeit wins! - SW]

Games and results: <u>http://www.firstsaturday.hu/</u> (FM-B Section)

Csapo, Zoltan - Yip, Michael [C41] FS December FM-B Budapest (3), 08.12.2009 [Yip]

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 e5 4.Nf3 Nbd7 5.dxe5 Capturing on e5 so early gives Black additional options for developing Bf8 and should ensure Black of an easy game. **5...dxe5 6.Bc4 Be7** Black makes no attempt to refute White's move order and makes the prepared Philidor pattern. This approach saves times but limits the exploitation of favourable opportunities if they should arise. 6...Bb4!? is the most obvious way to exploit white's move order. 7.0-0 (*7.Qe2 Bxc3+ 8.bxc3 Qe7 9.a4 0-0 10.Ba3 c5 11.a5 b6 12.Bc1 Bb7= 13.Bg5 h6 14.Bh4 Rfd8 15.Nd2 Nf8 16.f3 Ng6 17.Bf2 Nf4 18.Qf1=/+ Bc6 19.g3 Ne6 20.Be3 Ne8 21.Qf2 Nd6 22.Be2 Nb5 23.Nb1 Ng5 24.Ra2 Nd6 25.h4 Ngxe4 26.fxe4 Nxe4 27.Qg1 Qe6 28.Rb2 Nxg3 29.Qxg3 Bxh1 30.Nd2 bxa5 31.Rb5 Rac8 32.Rxa5 Rc7 33.Nf3 Bxf3 34.Bxf3 Qb6 35.Ra4 Qb1+ 36.Kf2 Qxc2+ 0-1 Jensen,B - Varga,Z /Obro 2006/EXT 2007) 7...c6 8.Qe2 0-0 9.Bd2 Qc7 10.a3 Be7 Black keeps all his pieces and awaits developments*

with a normal formation. 11.Nh4 (11.a4 is more normal) 11...Nc5 12.Nf5 Bxf5 13.exf5 b5 14.Ba2 a5 (with counterplay) 15.Bg5 e4 16.f3 Ng4 17.fxg4 Bxg5 18.Kh1 b4 19.Nd1 Qe5 20.Nf2 Qxb2 21.Nh3 Be7 22.axb4 axb4 23.Bxf7+ Kxf7 24.Qc4+ Kf6 25.g5+ Ke5 26.Rxa8 Rxa8 27.f6 gxf6 28.gxf6 Bf8 29.Ng5 Kd6 30.Qf7 Qd4 31.c3 bxc3 32.Nxh7 Nd7 33.Nxf8 Rxf8 34.Qb3 Nc5 35.Qb6 c2 36.Qa7 Qd1 37.Qe7+ Kd5 0-1 Velikhanli, F - Gelashvili, T /Dubai 2006/EXT 2007 7.0-0 c6 7...a6!? 8.a4 b6 is also possible. 8.a4 0-0 9.Qe2 Qc7 So far black has not really had to do much thinking as all that was required was to make the standard Philidor pattern. (1.27) 10.Bg5= (1.25) 10...Nc5 (1.25) **11.Bh4!?** Intending an original regrouping to press e5. 11.Rfd1 is more normal. 11...a5 12.h3 Be6 13.Bxe6 Nxe6 14.Qc4 Rad8 15.Rxd8 Rxd8 16.Rd1 Rxd1+ 17.Nxd1= 1/2-1/2 Mellado Trivino,J -Matamoros Franco, C / Sevilla 2006/CBM 110 ext 11...Be6 (1.16) 11...a5 would have limited White's options on the gueenside more and secured ... Nc5. 12. Rad1 Be6 13. Bg3 Nfd7= 12. Bg3 Nfd7= (1.15) Here it would have been appropriate for Black to have a deeper look at the position and make a detailed rational assessment. From this a proper plan can be made. 13.a5 (1.14) Black will play ... a5 securing the gueenside if this is not played. 13.b4!? Bxc4 14.Qxc4 Ne6 15.Rfd1 a5! 16.b5 Rad8= White's gueen is strongly placed and for now ...f6 is hindered. 13...b5 (1.10) With countrplay. This correctly takes the play into dynamic channels. Now Black needs to follow up correctly to maintain the pressure. 14.axb6 axb6 15.b4? This over-reaches on the queenside. 15...Bxc4 (1.10) 16.Qxc4 b5! A strong intermediate move that allows Black to take over. 17.Qe2 **Ne6!?=/+** (1.06)



17...Na6! I did not want to take any chance on piece misplacement and possible complications and so avoided this strong continuation without a deep examination of its impact. 18.Nd1 Nxb4 19.Ne3 Na6 20.Nf5 Bf6 21.Qe3 Nac5 22.h3 Ne6-/+ Black has won a pawn and the wayward Na6 has returned to meaningful duty. The sole compensation White has is the active Nf5 but there are no threats to Black who can look forward to a trouble free conversion of the extra pawn. 18.Rab1 **Ra3?!** (1.04) This is a serious tempo loss. This rook 'activation' is the first step in the wrong direction and is the direct product of the failure to make a concrete assessment of the position. Black does not notice that White wants to move the knight to play c4. 18...Rfd8 19.Rfd1 f6=/+ **19.Nd1 f6?** Too routine. Black is stuck in static thinking mode and plays to entomb the B/g3. Now White can rid himself of a big headache - the hole on c4 and associated invasion problems. Better is 19...Nf4 20.Bxf4 exf4 21.e5 Nb6=/+ 20.c4 Qb7= (0.59) 21.Ne3 Rfa8!? 21...Nb6?! allows White to take over. 22.c5! (22.cxb5?! cxb5 23.Qxb5 Nc7 I missed this hit allowing Black to win the epawn. 24.Qe2 Qxe4=/+) 22...Na4 23.Qc2 Rc3 24.Qa2 Qc8 25.Nf5 Re8 26.Rbc1 Rxc1 27.Rxc1+/= 22.Rfd1!= Nf4? (0.48) Only here does Black suffer from calculation errors. Here Black makes an incomplete list of candidate moves, missing 22...Ra2 and 22...Ndf8 and hanging his position by missing 26.Qg4. 22...Nb6 lets White take the initiative. 23.cxb5 (23.c5?! Na4 24.Nxe5!? fxe5

25.Qg4 Qc8 26.Nf5 Bf8=) 23...cxb5 24.Qxb5 Nc7 25.Qe2 Qxe4 26.Nd2 Qd3 27.Qg4; 22...Ndf8 23.Nf5 Ng6= ; 22...Ra2! is the best defence. 23.Qf1 Ndf8 24.cxb5 Qxb5 25.Qxb5 cxb5 26.Nd5 Kf7 Black has good endgame prospects. **23.Bxf4 exf4 24.Nf5 Ne5?** (0.46) Handing the game over to White. Black makes another blunder due to poor calculation skills. Black goes fearlessly forwards to fight for the initiative but this move turns out to be a superficial gesture that is easily refuted. 24...Bf8+/= was the last chance to bail out of a worsening position but I did not want to make a passive move. **25.Nxe5** 25.Nxe7+ Qxe7 26.Nxe5 Qxe5 27.cxb5 cxb5 28.f3 was what I saw. **25...fxe5** (0.46) **26.Qg4!+-** I completely missed this. **26...Bf6** (0.36)



27.h4? 27.Rd7? fails to win spectacularly to a nice perpetual check. 27...Ra1! 28.Rf1 Rxf1+ 29.Kxf1 I saw to here but failed to notice the continuation of the checking sequence. 29...Ra1+ 30.Ke2 Ra2+ 31.Ke1 Ra1+= ; 27.Nd6!+- wins easily. 27...Qe7 28.cxb5 cxb5 29.Nxb5 R3a4 30.Nc3 R4a7 31.b5+- 27...Kh8? (0.32) 27...h5 28.Qxh5 bxc4 29.Rd6+/- 28.Nd6+/- Black can only look forward to losing in any number of ways. 28...Qe7 29.cxb5 cxb5 30.Nxb5 R3a4!? A desperate try to confuse matters. 31.Nd6?!+/- 31.Nc3!+- This retreat escaped me. 31...g6? To prevent Nf5 on ...Bxh4. 31...Ra2+/- 32.b5+/- 32.Nc8!+- 32...Rd8? (0.18) Right idea wrong move order. 32...Rd4!?+/- 33.b6!+- Rd4!? Another desperation try to confuse matters. 34.Rxd4 exd4 (0.13) 35.Nc8?? Tenacity is rewarded with a blunder. 35.Qxf4!+- wins easily. 35...Qxe4-/+ 36.Rc1 d3-+ 37.b7? Another blunder. 37...Qxb7 38.Qxf4 (0.39) 38...Bg7?? (0.09) Time trouble; 38...Qa6!-+ should win but this was tough to see in the game. 39.Kh2 d2 40.Rd1 Rd4 41.Qb8 Kg7 42.Qa7+ Qxa7 43.Nxa7 Rxh4+ 44.Kg1 Ra4 45.Nb5 Ra1 39.Nd6+- d2?? (0.03) 40.Rd1?? (0.38) 40.Nxb7+-**40...Qe7** The start of the last defensive phase. Black will now try to defend passively while keeping the maximum technical difficulties. 41.Qxd2 Bf6+/= 42.h5 qxh5 42...Qe6! 43.hxq6 hxq6 44.Qh6+ Kg8 45.Qxg6+ Kf8 46.Qg3 Ke7 47.f4 Kf8 48.f5 Qe5= 43.Qd5 Rf8 44.Qxh5 Qg7 45.g4?!+/= 45.Ne8! Qe7 46.Nxf6 Rxf6+/- 45...Qg6 46.Qxg6 hxg6 47.Kg2 Be5 48.Ne4 Rf7 49.Rd8+ Kg7 50.Re8 Bf4 51.f3 Rc7 Black has a completely holdable ending. 52.Ng3 This was an error filled game clearly highlighting Black's deficiencies. 1/2-1/2

CANADIAN CHESSPLAYER OF THE YEAR by David Cohen

Congratulations to Jean Hébert, our 2009 Canadian Chess Player of the Year!

Results:

Fan Voting:

1st Shiyam Thavandiran 2nd Jean Hébert 3rd Anton Kovalyov

Journalist + Fan Voting = the Award:

1st Jean Hébert 2nd Richard Wang 3rd Mark Bluvshtein 4th Shiyam Thavandiran 5th Janak Awatramani 6th Anton Kovalyov

Thanks to all who voted.

1974 CANADIAN JUNIOR

4th Canadian Junior Championship

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Vancouver, 26 - 31 December 1974			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	
1	Nurmi, Peter (ON)	2179	*	1⁄2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8.5
2	Spraggett, Grant (PQ)	2080	1⁄2	*	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	5.5
3	Ebisuzaki, Ray (ON)	2002	0	1	*	0	0	1	1	1	1	1⁄2	5.5
4	Chow, Robert (BC)	1986	0	0	1	*	0	1⁄2	1	1	1	1	5.5
5	MacKean, Peter (PQ)	2048	0	0	1	1	*	1⁄2	0	1	1⁄2	1	5.0
6	Nickoloff, Bryon (ON)	2082	0	1	0	1⁄2	1⁄2	*	1⁄2	1⁄2	1	1	5.0
7	Campbell, Murray (AB)	1898	0	1	0	0	1	1⁄2	*	0	1	0	3.5
8	Babb, Jeff (MB)	1880	0	0	0	0	0	1⁄2	1	*	0	1	2.5
9	Morin, Glenn (BC)	1917	0	0	0	0	1⁄2	0	0	1	*	1	2.5
10	Stewart, Rick (NB)	1660	0	0	1⁄2	0	0	0	1	0	0	*	1.5

The astute reader will recall that we discussed a 1974 Canadian Junior back in Bulletin #170, won by Nigel Fullbrook. So why the second report? Well, because there were actually two Canadian junior championships in 1974. FIDE instituted the first World Junior in 1951 and decided to hold the event biennially, every odd-numbered year. Consequently when the Canadian Junior began in 1970 it was also held biennially but in the even-numbered years, the winner qualifying for the following world tournament. This worked fine until 1973 when FIDE switched to an annual World Junior - thus the need to hold an 'extra' Canadian Junior (the 3rd) in May of 1974 to determine the

Canadian representative to that summer's world event. The 4th Canadian Junior was held at its traditional time, between Christmas and New Year's, at International House on the campus of the University of British Columbia.

Organized and directed by Jonathan Berry, the tournament was closer than the final crosstable indicates. Grant Spraggett kept pace with pre-tournament favourite Peter Nurmi until a couple of losses in the middle rounds knocked him out of contention. Nurmi himself, while deserving his margin of victory, was a little lucky in two adjourned games in rounds two and three, in particular winning a drawn position on time against Ray Ebisuzaki. Played in the 'good old days' before increments and sudden-death time controls, the tournament produced at least one good story as a result:

"A most interesting incident took place in connection with the game MacKean - Nickoloff. Before the time scramble Nickoloff had a slight advantage, but by adjournment time the balance had swung over to the other side. The players agreed to a draw, but it was not because MacKean was unaware of his advantage. Not at all. While MacKean walked home after the adjournment, he said to himself "bxc5, bxc5, that's a good move!" When he got to his room he realized that the good move was cxb5 - bxc5 was impossible! In that moment of agonized doubt, MacKean knew not whether he had sealed cxb5, which would give him a slight advantage, or bxc5, which would give him a loss by forfeiture when the sealed move envelope was opened the next day. Faced with those possibilities, the only solution was to phone up Nickoloff, agree to a draw, and get a good night's sleep." [Jonathan Berry in the tournament book]

World and Canadian Junior history: <u>http://members.shaw.ca/berry5868/jun.htm</u> Most Canadian Junior crosstables: <u>http://www3.telus.net/public/swright2/canjun.html</u> All the games from the tournament are in BCBASE.

Nurmi, Peter - Ebisuzaki, Ray [B99] CAN jun 4th Vancouver (2.2), 12.1974

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bg5 e6 7.f4 Be7 8.Qf3 Qc7 9.0-0-0 Nbd7 10.g4 b5 11.Bxf6 Nxf6 12.g5 Nd7 13.f5 Bxg5+ 14.Kb1 Ne5 15.Qh5 Qe7 16.Nxe6 Bxe6 17.fxe6 g6 18.exf7+ Kxf7 19.Qe2 Kg7 20.h4 Bxh4 21.Nd5 Qd8 22.Nf4 Re8 23.Bh3 Kh8 24.Ne6 Qe7 25.Rdf1 Bf6 26.Nf4 Bg5 27.Nd5 Qd8 28.Rf2 Ra7 29.Rhf1 Kg7 30.Qd1 Rb7 31.Qd4 Bh4 32.Rd2 Rf8 33.Nf4 Rxf4 34.Rxf4 Bg5 35.Rff2 Bxd2 36.Rxd2 Qb6 37.Qxd6 Nf7 38.Qxb6 Rxb6 39.Rd7 Rd6 40.b4 Rxd7 41.Bxd7 Sealed 41...Kf6 42.Bc8 Nd6 43.Bxa6 h5 44.c4 Nxc4 45.a4 h4 46.Bxb5 h3 47.e5+ Kxe5 48.Bc6 g5 49.Kc2 Ne3+ 50.Kd3 Nd5 51.Kc4 Ne7 52.Bb7 g4 53.a5 g3 54.a6 g2 55.a7 g1Q 56.a8Q Qg4+ 57.Kb5 Qd7+ 58.Kc4 Qd4+ 59.Kb5 Time 1-0

Spraggett, Grant - MacKean, Peter [A01] CAN jun 4th Vancouver (3.2), 12.1974

1.b3 e5 2.Bb2 Nc6 3.e3 d5 4.Bb5 Bd6 5.c4 a6 6.Bxc6+ bxc6 7.c5 Bxc5 8.Bxe5 f6 9.Bb2 Ne7 10.Ne2 Bg4 11.Qc2 Bd6 12.f4 Qd7 13.Nbc3 c5 14.Ng3 Qc6 15.h3 Be6 16.Nce2 0-0 17.0-0 a5 18.Rac1 Bf7 19.d4 c4 20.bxc4 Qxc4 21.Qxc4 dxc4 22.e4 Rfb8 23.Rb1 Rb6 24.Bc3 Ba3 25.Rxb6 cxb6 26.Rb1 Ra6 27.Kf2 Be8 28.Ke3 b5 29.d5 b4 30.Bd4 c3 31.Bc5 Kf7 32.Nd4 Ra8 33.Bxe7 Kxe7 34.Ngf5+ Kf8 35.Kd3 Ba4 36.Ne3 Rc8 37.Nec2 Bb2 38.e5 Re8 39.Re1 g6 40.d6 f5 41.e6 Rb8 Sealed 42.Re5 Bxc2+ 43.Kxc2 Ba3 44.d7 1-0

Spraggett, Grant - Nickoloff, Bryon [D91] CAN jun 4th Vancouver (5.1), 12.1974

1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.d4 d5 5.Bg5 Ne4 6.cxd5 Nxg5 7.Nxg5 e6 8.Qd2 exd5 9.Qe3+ Kf8 10.g3 c6 11.Bg2 Qe7 12.Qd2 Bf6 13.Nf3 Kg7 14.0-0 Bf5 15.Rfc1 Nd7 16.e3 Nb6 17.b3 Rhe8

18.a4 a5 19.Ne1 Nc8 20.Nd3 Nd6 21.Ra2 Ra7 22.Rb2 h5 23.h3 Qf8 24.Ne5 Be7 25.g4 hxg4 26.hxg4 Bc8 27.f4 f6 28.Rf1 fxe5 29.dxe5 Bxg4 30.exd6 Bf6 31.e4 Qxd6 32.e5 Qc5+ 33.Qf2 Be7 34.Ne2 Qxf2+ 35.Kxf2 Bc5+ 36.Kg3 Bf5 37.Rd1 Ra6 38.Nd4 Bc8 39.Rc2 Ba7 40.Bf1 Rb6 41.Rc3 (Sealed) 41...g5 42.fxg5 Rb4 43.Nf3 Rg4+ 44.Kh2 Rh8+ 45.Bh3 Rxh3+ 0-1

Ebisuzaki, Ray - Spraggett, Grant [B22] CAN jun 4th Vancouver (7.2), 12.1974

1.e4 c5 2.c3 Nf6 3.e5 Nd5 4.d4 cxd4 5.cxd4 e6 6.Nc3 Nxc3 7.bxc3 d5 8.exd6 Bxd6 9.Nf3 0-0 10.Bd3 Nd7 11.0-0 h6 12.Re1 b6 13.a4 Bb7 14.Ba3 Nf6 15.Bxd6 Qxd6 16.Rc1 Rac8 17.Ne5 Qd5 18.f3 Rfd8 19.Bb1 Ba6 20.Qc2 Qa5 21.Ng4 Nxg4 22.fxg4 Qg5 23.Re5 Qxg4 24.Qh7+ Kf8 25.Bf5 Qf4 26.Rce1 Bc4 27.Qh8+ Ke7 28.Qxg7 Kd6 29.Qxf7 exf5 30.Re6+ Bxe6 31.Rxe6+ Kd5 32.Re7+ Kc6 33.Qc4+ 1-0

Chow, Robert - Nurmi, Peter [B69] CAN jun 4th Vancouver (8.3), 12.1974

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Bg5 e6 7.Qd2 a6 8.0-0-0 Bd7 9.f4 Be7 10.Nf3 b5 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.Bd3 Qa5 13.Kb1 b4 14.Ne2 Qc5 15.f5 a5 16.Rc1 a4 17.Rhf1 Kd8 18.Nf4 Kc7 19.c3 b3 20.a3 Kb7 21.Qf2 Ra5 22.Nd4 e5 23.Nxc6 Bxc6 24.Qxc5 Rxc5 25.Nd5 Bxd5 26.exd5 Rg8 27.Rf2 Ka7 28.c4 Bd8 29.Re2 Bb6 30.Rf1 Rcc8 31.Rf3 Rg5 32.Rh3 Rcg8 33.g3 h5 34.Kc1 Bd4 35.Rh4 Kb6 36.Kd1 Kc5 37.Kc1 R8g7 38.Kd1 Rh7 39.Kc1 Rg4 40.Re4 Rxh4 41.Rxh4 Be3+ 42.Kd1 Bg5 43.Re4 h4 44.g4 h3 0-1

Stewart, Rick - Chow, Robert [B68] CAN jun 4th Vancouver (9.4), 31.12.1974

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Bg5 e6 7.Qd2 a6 8.0-0-0 Bd7 9.Be2 Be7 10.f4 b5 11.Bf3 Rc8 12.Rhe1 Qc7 13.Nb3 0-0 14.Re3 b4 15.Ne2 Rfd8 16.Kb1 Be8 17.Qc1 a5 18.Nbd4 a4 19.c3 b3 20.a3 Na5 21.Ng3 Nc4 22.Ree1 h6 23.Bxf6 Bxf6 24.Be2 Qa5 25.Nf1 Nxa3+ 26.bxa3 Rxc3 27.Qd2 Rdc8 28.Bg4 Qc5 29.Nxe6 Qxa3 30.Ne3 Qa1+ 0-1

BC Active Championship 2010

Date: January 9-10 Place: Vancouver Bridge Centre, 2776 East Broadway (at Kaslo), Vancouver Rounds:9 Starting Time:11:00 am Saturday January 9th. 5 rounds on Saturday and 4 on Sunday Type: Regular Swiss. Time Controls: G/25 + 5 sec. increment or G/30. Entry Fee: \$35 (\$5 discount by sending your participation by email by Thursday January 7th) Prizes:First Prize guaranteed (\$300), and rest based on entries. If 30 entries then 2nd \$250 3rd \$200 4th \$100. Registration: On site from 10:00 am Organizer: Luc Poitras (778) 846-0496 email <u>queluc@lynx.net</u> Bring your chess set and clock if possible. No membership required.

UBC January Open

Dates: January 16-17 Place: Henry Angus Building room 417, University of British Columbia Rounds: 4 Times: 10 am and 2 pm Type: regular Swiss Time controls: game/90 with a 30 second increment (digital), or game/120 (analog) Entry fee: adults \$35, juniors/seniors \$25 (CFC membership required) Prizes: \$\$BEN Registration: in advance or at site 9:30 – 9:50 am, January 16 Tournament Director: Stephen Wright Miscellaneous: two sections as numbers permit; BCCF membership included in entry fee For more information please contact the organizer: Stephen Wright: 604-221-7148, <u>swright2@telus.net</u>

New Year Open Chess Tournament

Dates: January 23-24 Place: Sprott Shaw Community College, 1176 8th. Ave. NW Prizes: \$250 Guaranteed first place. Rest based on entries. Format: 5 round swiss Times: Saturday 9:30, 1:00 and 5:00 or ASAP, Sunday 9:30 and 1:00 Time Controls: G90. Total game time 3 hours. Entry: \$35 includes BCCF membership fee CFC Regular rated. CFC membership required. <u>More details</u>

UPCOMING EVENTS

Junior events

Island Junior Open #4, Victoria
Island Junior Open #5, Victoria
Scholastic (K-12) Open, New Westminster
All-Girls Tournament, Vancouver
Chess Challenge Vancouver Regional
Chess Challenge Fraser Valley Regional
Victoria Regional CYCC

UBC Thursday Night Swiss

Thursdays, 6:30 pm, Irving K. Barber Learning Centre room 191, 1961 East Mall, University of British Columbia Contact Aaron Cosenza, xramis1@yahoo.ca

B.C. Active Championship

January 9-10, Vancouver Details: <u>http://chess.bc.ca/events.shtml#BCActive</u>

UBC January Open

January 16-17, Vancouver Details: <u>http://chess.bc.ca/events.shtml#UBCJan</u>

New Year Open

January 23-24, New Westminster Details: <u>http://www.juniorchess.ca/events.html</u>

Olympiad Active Fundraiser

February 20, Victoria Details: <u>http://victoriachessclub.pbworks.com/Active-Fundraiser-For-the-2010-Olympiad</u>

4th Grand Pacific Open

April 5-7, Victoria Details: <u>http://grandpacificopen.pbworks.com/</u>

35th Paul Keres Memorial

May 22-24, Richmond Details: <u>http://keresmemorial.pbworks.com/</u>