BCCF E-MAIL BULLETIN #298

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. To subscribe, send me an e-mail (swright2@telus.net); if you no longer wish to receive this Bulletin, just let me know.

Stephen Wright

HERE AND THERE

<u>lasi International Chess Festival</u> (May 29 – June 6)

Leon Piasetski is currently playing in the 2nd Iasi Open, Iasi being the largest city in eastern Romania. After eight of nine rounds Leon has 5.5 points, leaving him in a tie for seventh, a full point behind leaders Deep Sengupta (India), Igor Kovalenko (Latvia), and Baris Esen (Turkey). The one hundred and twenty-eight player field includes twenty grandmasters. Results; tournament website

Piasetski, Leon - Nevednichy, Vladislav [A40] lasi op 2nd (6.13), 03.06.2015

1.Nf3 g6 2.c4 Bg7 3.d4 c5 4.e4 Qb6 5.dxc5 Qxc5 6.Be2 d6 7.0–0 Nc6 8.h3 Be6 9.Be3 Qb4 10.Nbd2 Nf6 11.Qc2 Nd7 12.Rab1 0–0 13.a3 Qa5 14.Ng5 Nd4 15.Bxd4 Bxd4 16.Nxe6 fxe6 17.Bg4 Rf6 18.Nf3 Be5 19.b4 Qc7 20.c5 h5 21.Bxe6+ Rxe6 22.Qc4 Nf8 23.Ng5 Qd7 24.Qd5 Bf4 25.Nxe6 Nxe6 26.g3 Bh6 27.e5 Kh7 28.exd6 exd6 29.Rfe1 Ng5 30.cxd6 Nxh3+ 31.Kg2 Bg7 32.Qe6 Qxe6 33.Rxe6 Ng5 34.Re7 Rd8 35.f4 Ne4 36.Rxe4 Rxd6 37.Re7 g5 38.fxg5 Rb6 39.Rc1 Kg6 40.Rc8 Bb2 41.Rg8+ Kf5 42.Rf7+ Ke4 43.g6 1–0

Piasetski, Leon - Teodor, Anton [A30] lasi op 2nd (8.15), 05.06.2015

1.Nf3 c5 2.c4 Nf6 3.g3 b6 4.Bg2 Bb7 5.0–0 g6 6.d4 cxd4 7.Qxd4 Bg7 8.Nc3 0–0 9.Qh4 d6 10.Bh6 Nbd7 11.Rac1 Rc8 12.b3 Rc5 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Qd4 Qa8 15.Rfd1 Rfc8 16.Ne1 Bxg2 17.Nxg2 a6 18.a4 h5 19.Ne3 h4 20.g4 h3 21.f3 e5 22.Qxd6 R5c6 23.Qd2 Nc5 24.Qb2 Re8 25.Ncd5 Nfd7 26.b4 Ne6 27.b5 axb5 28.axb5 Rc5 29.Nb4 Nd4 30.Rxd4 exd4 31.Qxd4+ Kg8 32.Nd3 Rcc8 33.Kf2 Qb8 34.f4 Nc5 35.Nd5 Nxd3+ 36.exd3 Re6 37.g5 Rce8 38.Re1 [The live transmission on all games ended around here – we know Leon won, but the game may have continued beyond this point] 1–0

Washington Open (May 23-25)

In the Pacific Northwest we have a chess 'double-header': the Paul Keres Memorial is held on the Canadian Victoria Day weekend, while the Washington Open occurs one week later on the American Memorial Day weekend. As usual this year's Washington Open attracted a number of B.C. players, including James Chan, John, Joshua, and Neil Doknjas, Patrick Huang, Joe Roback, Tanraj Sohal, and Butch Villavieja (apologies if I missed anyone). In the Open Tanraj Sohal tied for second with IM Raymond Kaufman (who also played in the Keres the previous weekend) while Joshua Doknjas tied for fourth; Neil Doknjas tied for fourth in the Premier Section (U2000), and Patrick Huang tied for second in the Reserve (U1700). The overall winner was FM Roland Feng, demonstrating strong parallels with the winner of the Keres, FM Jason Cao – both are the current champion of their respective province/state, and both are the youngest ever holders of those titles. The juniors are indeed taking over ...



Round 4, board 1: Costin Cozianu and Tanraj Sohal (photo by Victoria Jung-Doknjas)

USCF ratings report; Washington Chess Federation Facebook page

Chicago Open (May 21-25)

While some of our players travelled south on the Memorial Day Weekend, others headed east – to the Windy City. Now in its twenty-fourth year, the Chicago Open boasted a \$100,000 guaranteed prize fund and resultant strong competition, and from this province three players took up the challenge: Ethan and Kevin Low and Severo (Juni) Caluza. For the Lows the tournament was a training opportunity as each played up a section, while Caluza won his first three games but then castled long to finish with 50% after a last-round bye. The overall winner was fourteen year old Jeffery Xiong of Texas, whose last-round win over top-seeded Cuban GM Lazaro Bruzon Batista netted him \$10,300 and his third and final GM norm. Tournament website; ChessBase report

Butch Villavieja

As we reported in the last issue, Butch Villavieja was the winner of the May Active with a perfect 6.0/6 score. However, missing was the following information, from T.D. Joe Roback:

It was a triumphant farewell to Butch's adventures in Vancouver. In 2009, Butch moved to Canada with his wife and three kids from the Zamboanga Simugay province of the Philippines (population 584,000 in 2010). Butch quickly established himself as a dominant force in local active and CFC tournaments, notably the sole winner of the 2012 B.C. Championship. Butch was a frequent competitor, arbiter, and coach of dozens of kids throughout B.C. He is pictured with his favourite World Champion, Bobby Fischer, who likely influenced his dynamic style with a strong theoretical grounding. He is moving to Edmonton shortly to greet his family.



BRUCE HARPER ANNOTATES

Harper, Bruce - Opponent [A00] ICC 3 0 Internet Chess Club

1.g3 [0:03:00] **1...d5** [0:03:00] **2.Bg2** [0:03:00] **2...c6** [0:02:59] **3.d3** [0:02:59] **3...g6** [0:02:59] **4.Nc3** [0:02:58] **4...Bg7** [0:02:58] **5.Bd2** [0:02:58] **5...Nf6** [0:02:57] **6.Qc1** [0:02:57] **6...0–0** [0:02:56]



A standard position, at least for me. I called this the "Suttles System" in the books, explaining that all the good openings were taken... **7.Bh6** [0:02:56] **7...Bxh6** [0:02:50] **8.Qxh6** [0:02:54] **8...Qb6** [0:02:49]



Black has played for this by exchanging on h6. To be clear, 8...Qb6 is not a deep positional move to put pressure on the dark squares in White's position. Black is actually playing for a cheap trick - he threatens 9...Qx2+ 10.Kxf2 Ng4+ and 11...Nxh6, winning a pawn. But White's opening, which is probably one big positional trick, takes this into account.

9.Nd1! [0:02:51] The exclamation mark isn't because 9.Nd1 is good (it's actually forced), but because it's cool and probably annoying as well, since 8...Qb6 seemed so clever. **9...Ng4!?** [0:02:38] This came as a bit of a surprise - was Black trying to evict White's queen from h6, or was he hoping just to take it? I decided the latter, so at this point I categorized Black as a "one threat wonder," which came into play a few moves later. **10.Qd2** [0:02:45] **10...e5** [0:02:35]



At this point White can play normally, perhaps continuing with 11.c3 or 11.h3, but instead I decided to set a cheap trap of my own. The logic was this: One Threat Wonder fancied himself a great tactician and couldn't help but think that he would always see more than his opponent. I therefore wanted to give him a chance to play an apparent tactical refutation, although actually the "refutation" was a blunder if you looked one move farther (i.e., two moves...). 11.f3!? [0:02:41]



11...Nxh2? [0:02:17]



This move, which Black took 18 seconds (!) to make, is horrible. Even if it worked, it would fail, because Black's h2–knight threatens nothing and can't escape. What made this game fun was that I thought Black would play this, because he would be convinced that White had just overlooked that 12.Rxh2? loses to 12...Qxg1+. 12.Qh6 [0:02:39]



This also made the game fun, because Black's h2–knight is pinned to the mate on h7, and White is threatening to capture Black's h2–knight – with his h6–queen! 12...Qb4+ [0:02:05] This doesn't help. 13.c3 [0:02:34] 13...Qe7 [0:02:04] 14.Rxh2 [0:02:28] 14...f5 [0:02:03] Black decides not to resign, so he deserves another diagram or two. 15.Nh3 [0:02:22] 15...e4 [0:01:59] 16.dxe4 [0:02:11] 16...fxe4 [0:01:58] 17.fxe4 [0:02:05] 17...dxe4 [0:01:52] 18.Ng5 [0:02:00]



18...Bg4 [0:01:44] **19.Nxh7** [0:01:56] **19...Rf7** [0:01:43]



Now 20.Qxg6+ wins everything, but the move White played is good enough. **20.Ng5** [0:01:52] Black resigns. **1–0**

PAUL KERES (7 January 1916 - 5 June 1975)

Today, June 5, is the fortieth anniversary to the day of the passing of Paul Keres, an event commemorated in Vancouver ever since by the annual Keres Memorial tournament (and next January will mark the hundredth anniversary of his birth). Having won the Vancouver 1975 event with an 8.5/10 score, Keres was returning home to Estonia when he suffered a fatal heart attack in Helsinki. His funeral five days later witnessed an outpouring of grief seldom accorded a chessplayer - for Estonians, Keres was a national hero:



The eulogy was given by Boris Spassky: "The world of chess has suffered an enormous loss, Paul Keres is dead. All the finest qualities that chess fosters in man were admirably embodied in this one person. A penetrating intellect and a giant talent for the game, which brought him world-wide fame, were combined in Keres with rare personal qualities. For many years Paul Keres was the de facto leader of the world of chess, guarding the best traditions of the game; he was also a warm and generous person and a sportsman of the first order. His brilliant games and books on chess represent a magnificent contribution to this intellectual endeavour. I have been fortunate to have been Paul Keres' friend. I cherished this rare, wonderful person, and will always cherish his memory. My heart is full of sorrow on this sad occasion." [CFC Bulletin, July/August 1975]

Keres' stature as a player is well known and we will not attempt to duplicate the fine material on Keres which can be found elsewhere on the internet. Instead, we here present previous Bulletin items on his relationship with B.C., including a previously unpublished remembrance by Dan Scoones

1967: Keres and Spassky in B.C.

Everyone is aware that Vancouver 1975 was Paul Keres' last tournament appearance, hence the holding of the Paul Keres Memorial in his memory. However, Keres also visited B.C. in 1967; to celebrate the Canadian centenary that year a grandmaster event was organized in Winnipeg, which included the participation of the Soviet players Boris Spassky and Paul Keres. While in

Canada Spassky and Keres gave simultaneous displays in various locations, including the province; here is a report that appeared in the November 1967 issue of *Canadian Chess Chat*.

On Saturday, October 14th, both grandmasters gave an exhibition in Nanaimo. Mr. Spassky played ten opponents with clocks and won all games. Mr. Keres played 23 opponents in the usual simultaneous way. He won 22 games and drew one (Bryant).

On Sunday, October 15th, both grandmasters gave an exhibition at the Vancouver City Chess Club. Mr. Spassky played 23 opponents; he won 2 games and drew one (Le Compte from Washington). Mr. Keres played 23 opponents; he won 17 games, drew two (Schneider, Wuentschek) and lost four (Berry, Harper, Overas, Pitt - the last two from Washington).

On Tuesday, October 17th, Mr. Spassky gave an exhibition in North Vancouver. He played 17 opponents; he won 45 games and drew two (Mrs. L'Hirondelle, Mr. Savchenko). On the same evening Mr. Keres gave an exhibition in New Westminster; he played 46 opponents. He won 45 games and drew one (R. Zuk).



Keres in action, but in 1975 rather than 1967; the front cover of the CFC Bulletin, May/June 1975

As noted in the second paragraph above, Keres lost games at the Vancouver Chess Club to two teenagers who would later become prominent members of the B.C. chess community:

Jonathan Berry, fourteen, and Bruce Harper, thirteen, both pupils at Sentinel Secondary School, bested the Soviet grandmaster during an exhibition at the Mount Pleasant Community Centre ... Keres said today he did not remember his matches with the schoolboys and does not keep scores of his exhibition games. "But I guess they kept the scores and will remember for a long time," Keres commented. 'If that is the case, then I am glad they enjoyed the games." [Vancouver Sun, October 16, 1967]

Keres, Paul - Berry, Jonathan [E91] Simul Vancouver, 15.10.1967

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Nf3 0-0 6.Be2 Nbd7 7.Bg5 e5 8.d5 a5 9.Qd2 Nc5 10.Qe3 Bd7 11.h3 Qc8 12.g4 c6 13.Nd2 cxd5 14.cxd5 b6 15.Rc1 Qb7 16.Bb5 Rfc8 17.0-0 Rd8 18.Bxd7 Qxd7 19.Nc4 Rab8 20.f4 Nxg4 21.Qf3 f6 22.Bh4 Nh6 23.fxe5 dxe5 24.Qe3 g5 25.Bf2 Bf8 26.d6 Bxd6 27.Nd5 Qe6 28.Ncxb6 Nd7 29.Nxd7 Rxd7 30.Be1 Rf7 31.Bxa5 Rxb2 32.Bd8 Rxa2 33.Bxf6 Raa7 34.Rc6 Kf8 35.Qxg5 Ng8 36.Bg7+ Ke8 37.Rxf7 Rxf7 38.Kg2 Ne7 39.Bh6 Nxc6 40.Qg8+ Kd7 41.Nb6+ Kc7 42.Nd5+ Kb7 43.Qg3 Qg6 44.Bg5 Qxe4+ 45.Kh2 Qe2+ 46.Qg2 e4+ 47.Bf4 Qxg2+ 48.Kxg2 Bxf4 0-1

Keres, Paul - Harper, Bruce [C19] Simul Vancouver, 15.10.1967

1.d4 e6 2.e4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 c5 5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 Ne7 7.Nf3 Nbc6 8.Bd3 c4 9.Be2 Qa5 10.0–0 Bd7 11.a4 0–0–0 12.Ba3 Qxc3 13.a5 Nf5 14.Bc5 f6 15.g4 Nh6 16.g5 Nf5 17.gxf6 gxf6 18.exf6 Rhg8+ 19.Kh1 Be8 20.Ra3 Qb2 21.Qb1 Qxb1 22.Rxb1 Bh5 23.Re1 Bxf3+ 24.Bxf3 Nfxd4 25.Bd1 Rd7 26.Rg3 Rxg3 27.fxg3 Rf7 28.c3 Nb3 29.Be3 Rxf6 30.Bg5 Rg6 31.h4 Kd7 32.Rf1 h6 33.Bh5 Rxg5 34.hxg5 hxg5 35.Rf7+ Ne7 36.Bg4 Nc5 37.Bf3 Na4 38.Bg4 Nxc3 39.Rf6 Ne4 40.Bxe6+ Kd6 41.Rh6 Nxg3+ 42.Kg2 Ne4 43.Bf5+ Ke5 44.Bxe4 Kxe4 45.Re6+ Kd3 46.Rxe7 c3 47.Rd7 d4 48.Kf3 c2 49.Rc7 Kd2 50.Rxb7 c1Q 51.Rxa7 Qf1+ 52.Kg4 Qf4+ 53.Kh5 g4 54.Rg7 Qf5+ 55.Rg5 Qxg5+ 0–1

Dan Scoones submitted the following memories:

The story on Keres and Spassky was a trip down memory lane for me. I was fourteen years old at the time, and I was one of the ten punching bags who took on Spassky in Nanaimo. I know the venue was a local hotel, but I can't remember which one. Ed Seedhouse and Alan Lane also played against Spassky, while George Dinescu played against Keres. We drove up together in the same car. I don't recall there being any other Victoria players.

Before the event got underway, local alderman (and future mayor) Frank Ney welcomed the visitors and participants. Apart from an amusing gaffe (addressing Spassky as Mr. "Konaski") he made a very nice speech. At that time the annual bathtub race was in its infancy, and I clearly recall the alderman decking out the two GMs with little paper hats, paper flags and toy bathtubs marking the event. The look of sheer confusion on Spassky's face was priceless. Keres, however, merely smiled and nodded sagely.

In reply, Keres spoke on behalf of the two of them, having much the better command of English at that time. He said they were enjoying their visit to Canada. The just-concluded Winnipeg GM tournament (won by Darga and Larsen) had been hard work, he said, and they were looking forward to our event as a chance to relax. In my youth and naiveté I found that statement surprising – how could playing ten opponents be easier than playing one opponent? Later, of course, I came to understand what he meant.

As it turned out, Spassky was just too tough for us, especially having White in every game. I got onto the bad side of a Queen's Gambit Declined and just couldn't defend against Spassky's kingside attack (gee -- I wonder why?) I did last for a while, unlike poor Ed Seedhouse, who blundered a piece right in the opening. In a difficult position I set a clever trap for Spassky, but he saw through it in two or three seconds and gave me a wry smile before uncorking the refutation.

After the game, he signed my scoresheet and said "You played well." I said, "Yes, but not as well as Russian kids my age," which brought a surprised and good-****** laugh.

After the ten clock games were finished we got to chat with Boris for a little while. He couldn't advise us about what we should have played in our games because, as he said, he didn't understand English notation (meaning descriptive.) Responding to a question about Fischer, he acknowledged that the American was a "very strong player." Luckily enough, George Dinescu was booked up on Spassky lore, and said, "Yes, but you beat him." This got another smile.

After the event was over we all went down to the hotel restaurant for a banquet. When our group eventually prepared to leave, I shook hands with both GMs and thanked them for coming. I looked at Spassky and said, "I think you will get a second chance at Petrosian, and this time you will beat him." That too got a big laugh from both GMs, but years later I wondered if he ever recalled the prediction made by the young Canadian in Nanaimo...



Boris Spassky on Paul Keres

I loved Paul Petrovitch with a kind of special, filial feeling. Honesty, correctness, discipline, diligence, astonishing modesty – these were the characteristics that caught the eye of the people who came into contact with Keres during his lifetime. But there was also something mysterious about him. I had an acute feeling that Keres was carrying some kind of a heavy burden all through his life. Now I understand that this burden was the infinite love for the land of his ancestors, an attempt to endure all the ordeals, to have full responsibility for his every step. I have never met a person with an equal sense of responsibility. This man with internally free and independent character was at the same time a very well disciplined person. Back then I did not realise that it is discipline that largely determines internal freedom. For me, Paul Keres was the last Mohican, the carrier of the best traditions of classical chess and – if I could put it this way – the Pope of chess. Why did he not become the champion? I know it from personal experience that in order to reach the top, a person is thinking solely of the goal, he has to forget everything else in this world, toss aside everything unnecessary – or else you are doomed. How could Keres forget everything else?

Keres' games from his last tournament, Vancouver 1975, are presented below, but we also include his other two tournament games against the B.C. players who went on to become OTB grandmasters, Duncan Suttles and Peter Biyiasas:

Suttles, Duncan - Keres, Paul [A13] Church's Fried Chicken It San Antonio (7), 27.11.1972 [Note that just under a third (twelve in total) of White's moves are with his queen!]

1.c4 e6 2.g3 d5 3.Bg2 Nf6 4.Nf3 dxc4 5.Qa4+ Nbd7 6.0-0 a6 7.Nc3 c5 8.Ne5 Rb8 9.Nxd7 Qxd7 10.Qxc4 b5 11.Qf4 Bd6 12.Qg5 0-0 13.d3 Bb7 14.Bxb7 Rxb7 15.Qh4 Rc8 16.a4 Be7 17.axb5 axb5 18.Qh3 h6 19.Qg2 b4 20.Ne4 c4 21.dxc4 Rxc4 22.Ra8+ Rc8 23.Rxc8+ Qxc8 24.Nxf6+ Bxf6 25.b3 Rd7 26.Qf3 Bc3 27.Qe4 Qa6 28.Qc2 Qb5 29.Rd1 Qf5 30.Rd3 Kh7 31.e4 Qb5 32.Rxd7 Qxd7 33.Be3 Qb5 34.Kg2 g6 35.Qd1 h5 36.Qd6 Qb7 37.Kf3 ½-½

Biyiasas, Peter - Keres, Paul [C69] Petropolis izt Petropolis (6), 1973

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Bxc6 dxc6 5.0-0 Qd6 6.d4 exd4 7.Qxd4 Qxd4 8.Nxd4 Bd7 9.Bf4 0-0-0 10.Nc3 Ne7 11.Rad1 Ng6 12.Bg3 Bb4 13.Nf5 h5 14.Nh4 Nxh4 15.Bxh4 Rde8 16.Rfe1 Re5 17.f4 Ra5 18.Rd3 f6 19.a3 Bd6 20.f5 Re8 21.Bg3 Bxg3 22.Rxg3 Re7 23.Rd1 Rae5 24.Kf2 b6 25.Rgd3 a5 26.R1d2 c5 27.Nd5 Rf7 28.Re3 Bc6 29.c4 Rf8 30.Kf3 Be8 31.Kf4 Bf7 32.a4 Rfe8 33.b3 ½-½

Keres, Paul - Allan, Denis [C44] Vancouver 1975 (1), 17.05.1975

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.d3 Nc6 4.Nbd2 Bc5 5.c3 d5 6.Be2 dxe4 7.dxe4 a5 8.0–0 0–0 9.Qc2 Re8 10.Nc4 Qe7 11.Bg5 Qf8 12.Ne3 Be7 13.Bb5 Bd7 14.Rfd1 Nb8 15.Bxf6 Bxb5 16.Bxe5 Bd8 17.Nf5 g6 18.Bg7 Qc5 19.Rd5 Qb6 20.Bd4 Qa6 21.Qd2 gxf5 22.Rxd8 fxe4 23.Re1 Qg6 24.Nh4 Qg4 25.Rxe4 1–0

McCormick, James - Keres, Paul [A15] Vancouver 1975 (2), 18.05.1975

1.c4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.g3 Bg7 4.Bg2 0-0 5.0-0 d5 6.cxd5 Qxd5 7.Nc3 Qh5 8.d3 Bh3 9.Bxh3 Qxh3 10.Ng5 Qd7 11.Qa4 Nc6 12.Qh4 Nd4 13.Bd2 c5 14.Rae1 c4 15.Be3 Nc2 16.Rd1 h6 17.Nge4 Nxe3 18.fxe3 cxd3 19.Nxf6+ exf6 20.exd3 f5 21.e4 fxe4 22.dxe4 Qe6 23.Rf2 Rac8 24.Re2 Rfe8 25.Nd5 Rc4 26.Rde1 Kh7 27.Qf4 f5 28.b3 Rxe4 29.Rxe4 fxe4 30.Ne3 b5 31.Rd1 Rf8 32.Qc7 Rf7 33.Qc5 a6 34.Qc2 Rf3 35.Qe2 Qb6 0-1

Keres, Paul - Barnes, Craig [B30] Vancouver 1975 (3), 19.05.1975

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 g6 4.Bc4 Bg7 5.d3 e6 6.Bf4 d6 7.Qd2 a6 8.a3 b5 9.Ba2 Bb7 10.0–0 Nf6 11.Bh6 0–0 12.Rae1 Rc8 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Ne2 Qa5 15.c3 b4 16.axb4 cxb4 17.Ra1 Qb6 18.Nfd4 a5 19.Qe3 Nxd4 20.Nxd4 Nd7 21.Bc4 e5 22.Nc2 Qxe3 23.Nxe3 Ra8 24.cxb4 axb4 25.Nc2 Nb6 26.Bb3 d5 27.f3 dxe4 28.fxe4 f5 29.exf5 gxf5 30.Rxa8 Bxa8 31.Nxb4 Kf6 32.Ra1 Rd8 33.Ra6 Rd6 34.Bd5 Bxd5 35.Rxb6 Ke6 36.Nxd5 Kxd5 37.Rxd6+ Kxd6 38.Kf2 Kc5 39.Ke3 Kb4 40.d4 1–0

Harper, Bruce - Keres, Paul [D23] Vancouver 1975 (4), 19.05.1975

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Qa4+ Nc6 5.Nc3 e6 6.Qxc4 Nb4 7.Qb3 c5 8.e3 a6 9.Be2 cxd4 10.exd4 Be7 11.0–0 0–0 12.Rd1 b6 13.a3 Nbd5 14.Bg5 Bb7 15.Ne5 h6 16.Bh4 Nf4 17.Bf1 Rc8 18.Rac1 b5 19.h3 N4d5 20.Ne2 Rxc1 21.Rxc1 Ne4 22.Bxe7 Nxe7 23.Qd1 Qd6 24.f3 Nf6 25.Nd3

Nf5 26.Nc5 Ba8 27.Qd3 Rd8 28.Qc3 Nd5 29.Qa5 Nf4 30.Nb3 Nxe2+ 31.Bxe2 Bd5 32.Nc5 Nxd4 33.Bf1 Kh7 34.Qe1 Bxf3 35.Qf2 Ba8 36.Qxf7 Nf3+ 37.gxf3 Qg3+ 38.Bg2 Rd2 0-1

Keres, Paul - Watson, John [A46] Vancouver 1975 (5), 20.05.1975

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 c5 3.c3 b6 4.Bg5 e6 5.Nbd2 h6 6.Bh4 Be7 7.e4 0–0 8.Bd3 Ba6 9.Bxa6 Nxa6 10.e5 Ne8 11.Bxe7 Qxe7 12.Qa4 Nec7 13.Ne4 cxd4 14.Qxd4 Nc5 15.Rd1 Nxe4 16.Qxe4 Rfd8 17.0–0 d5 18.Qg4 Qc5 19.Nd4 Re8 20.Rd3 Nb5 21.Rg3 g6 22.Nb3 Qe7 23.h4 Kh7 24.Rf3 Rec8 25.Rf4 a5 26.h5 g5 27.Rf6 Rc4 28.f4 Rg8 29.Nd2 gxf4 30.Rxh6+ Kxh6 31.Qxg8 Qc5+ 32.Kh2 Qe3 33.Qh8+ 1–0

Forintos, Gyozo - Keres, Paul [D56] Vancouver 1975 (6), 21.05.1975

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 Be7 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bh4 0–0 7.e3 Ne4 8.Bxe7 Qxe7 9.Qc2 Nxc3 10.Qxc3 c6 11.Bd3 dxc4 12.Bxc4 b6 13.0–0 Bb7 14.Rfd1 c5 15.dxc5 Qxc5 16.Rac1 Nc6 17.Rd7 Bc8 18.Rd2 ½–½

Keres, Paul - Cleghorn, Peter [B08] Vancouver 1975 (7), 22.05.1975

1.d4 g6 2.e4 Bg7 3.Nf3 d6 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.Be2 0–0 6.0–0 Nc6 7.Be3 Bg4 8.d5 Bxf3 9.Bxf3 Ne5 10.Be2 c6 11.a4 cxd5 12.exd5 Qa5 13.Ra3 Rfc8 14.Rb3 Qc7 15.Rb4 a6 16.Bb6 Qb8 17.Re1 Ned7 18.Bd4 Rc7 19.Bf1 Nc5 20.g3 b6 21.Re3 Qb7 22.Bg2 Re8 23.Qe2 Nh5 24.Bxg7 Nxg7 25.Bh3 Kf8 26.Rh4 Kg8 27.Rc4 Kf8 28.Rf3 Ra8 29.Qe3 Nd7 30.Rxc7 Qxc7 31.Bxd7 Qxd7 32.Qxb6 Qc8 33.Qd4 Rb8 34.b3 a5 35.Qh4 h5 36.Qe4 Nf5 37.Nb5 1–0

Macskasy, Elod - Keres, Paul [D63] Vancouver 1975 (8), 23.05.1975

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e3 0–0 6.Nf3 Nbd7 7.Rc1 c6 8.a3 h6 9.Bh4 Ne4 10.Bxe7 Qxe7 11.Qc2 Nxc3 12.Qxc3 Re8 13.Bd3 dxc4 14.Bxc4 e5 15.dxe5 Nxe5 16.Nxe5 Qxe5 17.Qxe5 Rxe5 18.0–0 Be6 19.Bxe6 Rxe6 20.Rfd1 Rae8 21.Rd7 R8e7 22.Rcd1 ½–½

Keres, Paul - Suttles, Duncan [B08] Vancouver 1975 (9), 24.05.1975

1.d4 d6 2.e4 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.Be2 Nf6 5.Nc3 0–0 6.0–0 Bg4 7.Be3 Nc6 8.d5 Bxf3 9.Bxf3 Ne5 10.Be2 c6 11.a4 Qa5 12.Ra3 Rfc8 13.Rb3 Rab8 14.Qd2 Ned7 15.f3 Nc5 16.Ra3 cxd5 17.exd5 a6 18.Rb1 Qb4 19.Ne4 Qxd2 20.Nxf6+ Bxf6 21.Bxd2 Nxa4 22.Rxa4 Rxc2 23.Rd1 Rxb2 24.Bd3 Rc8 25.Rb4 Rc5 26.Rxb2 Bxb2 27.Be4 f5 28.Bb1 a5 29.Be3 Rc8 30.Kf2 a4 31.Bd4 Bxd4+ 32.Rxd4 a3 33.Ke3 Rc1 34.Rb4 a2 35.Bxa2 Rc2 36.Bb1 Rxg2 37.h4 Rh2 38.Rxb7 Kf7 39.Rb4 Kf6 ½–½

Browne, Walter - Keres, Paul [C66] Vancouver 1975 (10), 25.05.1975

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Nf6 4.d3 d6 5.c3 Be7 6.Nbd2 0-0 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Re8 9.Nf1 Bf8 10.Bg5 h6 11.Bh4 Be7 12.Ne3 Ng4 13.Bxe7 Nxe7 14.Nxg4 Bxb5 15.Nh4 Bd7 16.Re3 Kh7 17.Rg3 Ng8 18.Nf3 Bxg4 19.Rxg4 Nf6 20.Rh4 Kg8 21.Rh3 d5 22.Qe2 Qd7 23.Nh4 dxe4 24.dxe4 Rad8 25.Nf5 Qd2 26.Qf3 Re6 27.Rg3 g6 28.Rf1 Qf4 29.Rd1 Ree8 30.Ne7+ Kg7 31.Nd5 Qxf3 32.Rxf3 c6 33.Ne3 Rxd1+ 34.Nxd1 Rd8 35.Ne3 Nxe4 36.h3 Ng5 37.Rg3 f5 38.Nxf5+ gxf5 39.h4 f4 40.Rg4 Kg6 41.hxg5 hxg5 42.g3 Kf5 43.f3 Rd1+ 44.Kg2 0-1



Keres' final position.

UPCOMING EVENTS

UBC Thursday Night Blitz (note the change of format)

Thursdays, 6:30 pm, Henry Angus Building, University of British Columbia Entry fee \$10+, depending on number of players and whether rated or not Contact Aaron Cosenza, xramis1@yahoo.ca, or see https://www.facebook.com/UBCChess

Vancouver West Open #5

June 6-7, Vancouver Chess School Details

Peter Yee Memorial

June 13-14, Langley Details

June Active

June 21, Vancouver Chess School Details

B.C. Senior Championship

June 26-28, Surrey Details

7th Bowser Builders Supply Open

August 9, Bowser Details