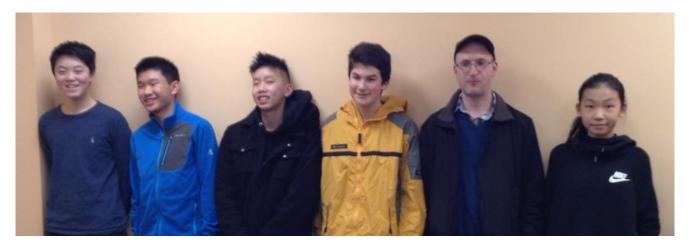
# **BCCF E-MAIL BULLETIN #357**

Your editor welcomes any and all submissions – news of upcoming events, tournament reports, and anything else that might be of interest to BC players. Thanks to all who contributed to this issue. To subscribe, send me an e-mail (<u>swright2@telus.net</u>); if you no longer wish to receive this Bulletin, just let me know.

Stephen Wright

#### HERE AND THERE

#### BC Active Championship (March 25)



This year's BC Active Championship was scheduled to be played in January in two sections, Open and Junior. The Junior Section was held along with a blitz championship (see Bulletin #353), but due to insufficient entries the Open Section was postponed. It was now taken place with a revamped format – five rounds in one day, rather than the previous nine rounds over two days. Held at the new home of the Vancouver Chess School at Jericho Village (4<sup>th</sup> and Alma), the twenty-five entrants included nine players rated over 2000. Topping the field were IM Raymond Kaufman and BC co-champion FM Tanraj Sohal, who between them have won the last three Active Championships. Tanraj was beaten by BC co-junior champion Andrew Hemstapat in round three, which left Kaufman, Hemstapat, Keith MacKinnon, and Davaa-Ochir Nyamdorj tied for the lead after three rounds. As it turned out Kaufman and Hemstapat both played MacKinnon and Nyamdorj in the last two rounds. Keith drew his two games, Davaa lost both his, which left Kaufman and Hemstapat sharing first place with 4.5/5. Tied for third were Tanraj, Davaa, and Brian Yang, who had the tournament of his life in scoring 4.0 points – he claimed the first U2000 prize. Second U2000 was split between Callum Lehingrat, Ryan Leong, and Tristan Taylor, while Luka Spasojevic and Jessica Qian (rated just 813!) shared the U1500 prizes. Many thanks to organizer Maxim Doroshenko for hosting the event. Crosstable

#### SPFGI BC Qualifier (March 24)

Now in its fifteenth year, the Susan Polgar Foundation Girls' Invitational is the most prestigious allgirl event in the United States. Since 2016 individual Canadian provinces have been allowed to nominate one official representative each to the competition. For the third year in a row the BC representative was determined through a qualification event held under the auspices of the Golden Kinght Chess Club (Valer Eugen Demian) at the Charles Rummel Centre in Burnaby. The five-round active Swiss was won for the second time by current BC women's champion Sherry Tian (she also won the event in 2016) with 4.5/5; second was Jessica Qian. <u>Crosstable</u>

#### Games by BC Players

Annotations to Hansen-MacKinnon and Vogt-Piasetski can be found on the CFC Newsfeed.

GRAND PACIFIC OPEN (March 30 – April 2) by Roger Patterson



The 12th annual Grand Pacific Open attracted one hundred and forty-four participants in four sections over the 2018 Easter weekend. That was enough for us to require overflow space for a few boards for some of the rounds. Players came from across BC, Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba as well as Nevada, California and Washington. The six players from Saskatchewan makes the GPO one of the largest Saskatchewan tournament groups in any Canadian tournament including Saskatchewan :-). I understand it was -20 degrees in Saskatchewan at Easter so it's understandable what the attractions are of Victoria's cherry blossoms...

IM Mark Ginsburg was one of the furthest traveled but also a favourite to win. Old timers might remember the "Corporation" of Ginsburg, Tisdall, and Fedorowicz travelling throughout the US and Canada to tournaments, splitting expenses and prize money. In any event, Ginsburg is the 2018 Grand Pacific Open Champion with a score of 5.0/6. The win looks like a smooth story of the favourite taking a few draws and a bunch of wins to sew things up but had the stars been differently aligned, IM Raymond Kaufman, who finished well down the placings, could have been the champion. Kaufman was leading the tournament after 4 rounds but hit a roadblock. In the critical game against Ginsburg, he had an edge and Ginsburg either sacked a pawn or perhaps just lost it (hard to tell) leaving him with a comfortable plus until inattention to his back rank problems reversed the advantage. I didn't see the finish of the game but judging by Kaufman's score sheet, he was playing on increment for the last 20 moves or so. The final position, while probably lost, is not resignable so was probably lost on time. Kaufman's final game against WIM Agnieszka Matras-Clement was a mess with Matras-Clement offering a speculative piece sac in which Kaufman was not worse. But again, it didn't go his way. [And there should be a prize for figuring out the moves of that game from the largely illegible score sheet for the pgn file.]

Four players finished tied for second a half point behind Ginsburg - two of the strong Alberta contingent FM Ian Findlay, WIM Agnieszka Matras-Clement, Vancouver junior Andrew Hemstapat, and local Victoria resident Zulfikar Sali. As always, the Grand Pacific Open features side events - Midnight blitz with forty players won by Davaa-Ochir Nyamdorj ahead of Raymond Kaufman (standings) and a Bughouse to close out the tournament. Also as always, it takes a lot from a lot of people to run an event like this. Many thanks to our TDs (Elliot Raymer, Marc Moisan, Anca Datcu-Romano), floaters, volunteers, and our sponsors both corporate and individual.



Prize Winners (\$5140 in prizes)

#### Premier Section:

1st: IM Mark Ginsburg \$1000 + trophy

2nd-5th: FM Ian Findlay, Andrew Hemstapat, WIM Agnieska Matras-Clement, Zulfikar Sali; \$250 each.

U2100: Louis Cheng (trophy), Naomi Bashkansky, Mike Murray \$270 each Top Women (Courtesy of Goddess Chess): WIM Agnieszka Matras-Clement \$125, NM Valeria Gansvind \$100, WIM Naomi Bashkansky, Anna Van (U2000 section) \$50, Kate Jiang (U1700 section) \$25.

#### U2000 Section:

1st-2nd: Jason Williamson (trophy), Ryan Leong (U1800 trophy) \$350 each U1800 1st: Reza Sardari \$225, 2nd-3rd: Lucian Wu, Victor Zhang \$75 each.

#### U1700 Section:

1st-2nd: David Crook (trophy), Kent Cronin \$175 each. U1400: 1st: Haibo Sun \$125+trophy, 2nd-3rd: Kate Jiang, Ivan Nicolici \$40 each.

#### U1200 Section:

1st-5th: Borna Amjadi (Trophy), Amanda Yang (U900 Trophy), Pepi Eirew, Elaine Fan, Marc Moisan \$35 each.

Top Unrated (any section): Suhao Hu Biggest Upset (478 points) Eric Jiang \$50. Organizers: Victoria Chess (Brian Raymer, Paul Leblanc, Roger Patterson. TDs: NA Elliot Raymer, Anca Datcu-Romano (blitz), Marc Moisan (bughouse) <u>This report plus crosstable and PGN</u>

#### Findlay, Ian – Gansvind, Valeria [B06] Grand Pacific op 12th Victoria (2.5), 31.03.2018

1.e4 g6 2.d4 d6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.Nc3 c6 5.Be2 b5 6.a4 b4 7.Na2 Qb6 8.a5 Qxa5 9.Bd2 Qb6 10.Bxb4 Nf6 11.e5 Nd5 12.Ba3 Nf4 13.exd6 Nxg2+ 14.Kf1 Bh3 15.Kg1 Nf4 16.Bc4 e6 17.Qd2 Bh6 18.d7+ Nxd7 19.Bd6 Qxb2 20.Re1 g5 21.Nc3 Bf5 22.Bb3 Rg8 23.Ne4 g4 24.Bxf4 gxf3+ 25.Ng3 Bxf4 26.Qxf4 Bxc2 27.Bxc2 Qxc2 28.Qxf3 Rc8 29.Kg2 Qc4 30.Ra1 Qxd4 31.Rhd1 Qc5 32.Rxd7 Rxg3+ 33.hxg3 Kxd7 34.Qxf7+ Kd6 35.Rd1+ Qd5+ 36.Rxd5+ cxd5 37.Qxa7 Rc7 38.Qb6+ Rc6 39.Qb4+ Rc5 40.Qf4+ Kc6 41.Qf7 d4 42.Qxe6+ Kb5 43.Qb3+ Kc6 44.Qd3 Kd5 45.Qxh7 Rc3 46.Qf7+ Kc5 47.Qc7+ Kd5 48.Qa5+ Kc4 49.Qa2+ Kd3 50.Kf3 Rc2 51.Qb3+ Kd2 52.Ke4 Rc3 53.Qb2+ 1–0

#### Sali, Zulfikar – Cao, Jason [B40] Grand Pacific op 12th Victoria (4.4), 01.04.2018

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.g3 d5 4.exd5 exd5 5.d4 Nc6 6.Bg2 Bg4 7.0–0 Bxf3 8.Qxf3 Nxd4 9.Qd3 Nf6 10.Bg5 Be7 11.Nc3 0–0 12.Bxf6 Bxf6 13.Nxd5 Rc8 14.c3 Ne6 15.Rad1 Nc7 16.Qf5 Nxd5 17.Rxd5 Qb6 18.Rfd1 Rcd8 19.Rd7 Qe6 20.Qxe6 fxe6 21.Bxb7 Rxd7 22.Rxd7 Rf7 23.Rxf7 Kxf7 24.Kf1 Ke7 25.Ke2 Kd6 26.Kd3 Kc7 27.Be4 h6 28.Kc4 Be7 29.Kb5 e5 30.Ka6 Kb8 31.h4 Bf8 32.a3 Be7 33.b4 cxb4 34.axb4 Bf8 35.Ka5 Kc7 36.c4 Be7 37.c5 Bd8 38.Ka6 Kb8 39.Kb5 Kc7 40.Kc4 Bf6 41.Kd5 Kd7 42.f3 Kc7 43.Ke6 Kd8 44.Kd6 Kc8 45.c6 Bd8 46.Bf5+ Kb8 47.Kd7 Bb6 48.g4 a5 49.b5 a4 50.Be6 a3 51.Kd6 Bd8 52.h5 Bc7+ 53.Kc5 Ka7 54.Ba2 Bd8 55.Kd6 Kb6 56.Ke6 Bc7 57.Kf7 Kxb5 58.Kxg7 e4 59.fxe4 Bf4 60.c7 Bxc7 61.Kxh6 Kc5 62.Kg6 Kd4 63.Kf5 1–0

#### Kaufman, Raymond – Ginsburg, Mark [B41] Grand Pacific op 12th Victoria (5.1), 01.04.2018

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 a6 5.c4 Nf6 6.Nc3 Qc7 7.a3 b6 8.Be2 Bb7 9.f3 Be7 10.Be3 0–0 11.Rc1 d6 12.0–0 Nbd7 13.Qd2 Rac8 14.Rfd1 Qb8 15.Kh1 Rfe8 16.b4 Bf8 17.Bg5 h6 18.Bh4 Nh5 19.Na4 g5 20.Bf2 Nf4 21.Bf1 Ba8 22.Ne2 Nxe2 23.Bxe2 Rc6 24.Bg3 Ne5 25.Bxe5 dxe5 26.c5 bxc5 27.Nxc5 Rd6 28.Qc3 Rc8 29.Rxd6 Qxd6 30.Rd1 Qb6 31.Qxe5 Bg7 32.Qd6 Qxd6 33.Rxd6 a5 34.Ba6 Bf8 35.Rd1 Rc7 36.Rd8 Bc6 37.Nd3 axb4 38.axb4 Ra7 39.Nc5 Kg7 40.Rxf8 Kxf8 41.h4 Ke7 42.e5 Ra8 43.hxg5 hxg5 44.Kh2 Rb8 45.Nd3 Bb5 46.Bxb5 Rxb5 47.Nc5 Rxb4 48.Ne4 Rb5 49.Nxg5 Rxe5 0–1

# Matras-Clement, Agnieszka – Kaufman, Raymond [C54] Grand Pacific op 12th Victoria (6.3), 02.04.2018

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Bb3 a6 7.h3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 Ne7 9.Nf1 Ng6 10.Ng3 0–0 11.0–0 Be6 12.Bc2 h6 13.d4 c6 14.Nf5 Qc7 15.Nh2 d5 16.exd5 Nxd5 17.dxe5 Nxe5 18.Ng4 Rad8 19.Ngxh6+ gxh6 20.Nxh6+ Kg7 21.Qh5 Rh8 22.Re1 Bb8 23.Qg5+ Kf8 24.f4 Qb6+ 25.Kh1 f6 26.Qh4 Nf7 27.Rxe6 Rxh6 28.Qg3 Qc7 29.c4 Nxf4 30.Re4 Nd3 31.Bxh6+ Nxh6 32.Qxc7 Bxc7 33.Bxd3 Rxd3 34.Rf1 Nf5 35.Kg1 Ng3 36.Rxf6+ Kg7 37.Re7+ Kxf6 38.Rxc7 Ke5 39.Rxb7 Kf4 40.Rf7+ Ke4 41.Re7+ Kf4 42.Rf7+ Ke5 43.Re7+ Kd6 44.Rg7 Nf5 45.Rg6+ Kc7 46.Rf6 Ne3 47.g4 Nxc4 48.Kg2 Ne5 49.g5 Rd2+ 50.Kg3 Rxb2 51.h4 Kd7 52.h5 Ke7 53.h6 Rb8 54.Kf4 Nf7 55.h7 Rc8 56.Kf5 Rh8 57.g6 Nh6+ 58.Kg5 [2 more moves illegible] 1–0

#### Hemstapat, Andrew – Reeve, Jeff [B33] Grand Pacific op 12th Victoria (6.5), 02.04.2018

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e5 6.Ndb5 d6 7.Bg5 a6 8.Bxf6 gxf6 9.Na3 f5 10.exf5 Bxf5 11.Nc4 Nd4 12.Bd3 Be6 13.0–0 Rc8 14.Ne3 Qg5 15.Ne4 Qe7 16.c3 Nc6 17.Qf3 Bg7

18.Bc4 Bxc4 19.Nxc4 Rd8 20.Ne3 d5 21.Ng3 Qe6 22.Nh5 Rg8 23.Rad1 Ne7 24.Ng3 Bh6 25.Rfe1 e4 26.Qe2 Bxe3 27.Qxe3 f5 28.f3 Ng6 29.Qa7 Rg7 30.Qd4 Rdd7 31.Qc5 Ne5 32.fxe4 fxe4 33.Qc8+ Ke7 34.Rf1 Rf7 35.Rxf7+ Nxf7 36.Rf1 Kd6 37.Nf5+ Ke5 38.Nd4 Qe7 39.Qg8 Ng5 1–0

#### BRUCE HARPER ANNOTATES

### Opponent – Harper, Bruce [B06] ICC 3 0 Internet Chess Club, 18.03.2018

This game is interesting because I was able to win against a higher-rated player not so much by gaining an objective advantage (although at times I did), but rather by deliberately making his position hard to play. In a three-minute game, this can be a very effective strategy. it can work in tournament games as well.

**1.e4** [3:00] **g6** [3:00] **2.d4** [2:58] **Bg7** [2:59] **3.Nc3** [2:57] **d6** [2:59] **4.h4** [2:57] A reasonable strategy against a (supposedly) weaker opponent - try to frighten him to death. **4...h5** [2:57] **5.Be2** [2:55] **a6** [2:56] **6.Nf3** [2:53] **Bg4** [2:54] **7.Ng5** [2:52] **Bxe2** [2:53] **8.Qxe2** [2:50]



8...Nc6 [2:51] 8...Bxd4 9. Qc4 Bxc3+ 10.Qxc3 Nf6
11.Qb3 was possible, but why give White what he wants? 9.Qc4 [2:46] e6 [2:47] The engine suggests
9...d5!?, which quite appeals to me. Next time...
10.Be3 [2:44] 10.d5!? 10...Nf6 [2:42] 11.f3?! [2:42] d5
[2:41] Now that d4–d5 is impossible, Black is fine.
12.Qa4 [2:38]



**12...0–0** [2:37] 12...b5! was more incisive. **13.e5** [2:27] **Nd7** [2:35] **14.Ne2** [2:25] **b5** [2:28] **15.Qb3** [2:23] **Na5** [2:21] **16.Qd3** [1:49] **c5** [2:17] **17.c3** [1:46]



While this position can hardly be called "typical", it is clear that Black is attacking on the queenside and that White is heavily relying on the advance g2–g4 to justify his eleventh move. With this in mind, Black plans a positional sacrifice to destroy White's centre before his kingside attack can become dangerous. **17...Nc4** [2:16] **18.Bc1** [1:44] **b4** [2:15] **19.g4** [1:42]

As anticipated. Now the fun begins. **19...bxc3** [2:12] **20.bxc3** [1:42] **cxd4** [2:07] **21.cxd4** [1:39] **Ndxe5!** [2:06] **22.dxe5** [1:34] **Nxe5** [2:06]



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Given the ominous line-up on the a1–h8 diagonal, it's actually a bit of a stretch to call this a "sacrifice". Black will regain his material at some point, and White will have a pawn shortage. **23.Qb3** [1:27] **Rb8** [1:59] **24.Qa4** [1:13] **Rb4?!** [1:47] Too cute - 24...Nd3+ and 25...Nc5 would bag White's a1–rook. **25.Qxa6** [1:08] **hxg4** [1:43] **26.Ba3** [0:57]



26...Qb8?! [1:24] Black again plays inexactly. After
26...Rb6 27.Qa4 Qa8!, Black is clearly winning.
27.Bxb4 [0:44] Qxb4+ [1:24] 28.Kf2 [0:44] gxf3 [1:18]
29.Nxf3 [0:28]

Here is the position discussed in the introduction to the game. Black has two pawns for a rook, but will soon regain some material, leaving White with an exposed king and a time deficit. **29...Ng4+** [1:05] 29... Nxf3 was objectively stronger, but I deliberately wanted to keep my knight, because knights are tricky and nasty to play against when short of time. **30.Kg3?** [0:24] White took 30 seconds on this move, completely justifying Black's decision. Or maybe his phone rang or something... **30...Bxa1** [1:05] **31.Rxa1** [0:21] **Nf6** [1:02]



Curiously, I remembered this game as Black having a rook and two pawns for two pieces, but in fact White is a piece up! It is still not easy for White to play, though. **32.Qd3** [0:18] **Qg4+** [0:59] **33.Kf2** [0:17] **Ne4+** [0:58] **34.Ke3** [0:16] **Ra8** [0:44] **35.Rg1** [0:15] **Qf5** [0:42] **36.Ned4** [0:15] **Qf6** [0:36]





White is no worse here, although he has only 15 seconds left, and it's hard for him to come up with any sort of plan that might end the game in his favour in an acceptable number of moves. **37.Rf1?** [0:14] **Rxa2** [0:30] 37... e5! was better (38.Ne2 Rxa2 39.Qxd5? Rxe2+ 40.Kxe2 Nc3+ and 41...Nxd5), but the move played has practical value. For White time is running low, there is no end in sight, and it's hard to find any moves that change the nature of the position (at least not for the better). **38.Ng5** [0:11] **Rf2** [0:24] 38...Nf2! was also good. **39.Nxe4** [0:07] **Qf4#** [0:22]



White is checkmated. An unusual mating pattern. 0-1

# VANCOUVER SUN CHESS COLUMN

The inclusion of chess columns in B.C. newspapers has always been a hit and miss affair, dependant upon economic conditions, the general level of interest in chess, and the availability of individuals willing and capable enough to write them. Some have lasted ten years or more: Davie/Piper in the *Colonist*, 1916-1931; Creemer/Fillery in the *Province*, 1947-1957; and more recently the columns by Ray Kerr, Bruce Harper, and (nationally) Jonathan Berry. Others survived only a year or even less, to disappear as quickly as they appeared. One of the latter is a chess column that appeared in the *Vancouver Sun* at the very beginning of the 1930s. I was not aware the column even existed until I serendipitously came across it while searching for something rather different - a review of a Vancouver solo recital by the great Russian composer/pianist Sergei Rakhmaninov. Victoria had had a chess column since 1916, and Vancouver Daily News to get a column for their own city (there had previously been one in the *Vancouver Sun*. The editor 1930, a Saturday, when a new chess column was first published in the *Vancouver Sun*. The editor

was <u>Bertram A. Yates</u>, a four-time B.C. Champion and well-known member of the Vancouver Chess Club who had also edited the previous column in the *Daily News Advertiser*. Yates seemed to have based his column on what Piper was doing in the *Colonist*; each weekly publication included a chess problem (one a week and helpfully numbered, thus providing an easy way to keep track of the columns), a list of solvers of the previous week's problem, a couple of annotated games, and occasionally some chess news. The games were a mixture of local and international efforts, but what little chess news there was was almost entirely local. Maddingly from a historical point of view, often Yates mentions the beginning of a tournament or reports on its progress, but frequently nothing further is ever published about the event in question. Some of the problems were by local composers; here are a pair of mates in two by members of the Vancouver Chess Club (White to move in both cases):



#25 by W.E. Frank Fillery, published October 25, 1930



#39 by George W. Melhuish, published January 31, 1931

The column lasted until April 18, 1931, when without warning it ceased to appear. Piper's column in the *Colonist* lasted just over a month longer, until May 24, 1930 - likely both were victims of the Great Depression. Within the year of its existence Yates published some twenty-one local games; here are four games which shed some light on the early playing style of Jack Taylor. The influence of Paul Morphy can be seen in some of Taylor's best games, with his reliance on development, a clear attacking style, and a good eye for combinations, but in some cases Taylor took matters to the point of recklessness. Defence technique in those days at the lower levels was not great so he generally triumphed, but such risky attacks would certainly not be successful in future decades. His play is reminiscent of a comment by W.E. Napier, who once wrote that [Rudolf] "Spielmann plays always like an educated cave-man, who fell asleep several thousand years ago, - and woke up quite lately in the Black Forest."

#### Taylor, Jack - Freer, J [B01] BC ch Victoria, 04.1930

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Qxd5 3.Nc3 Qd8 4.d4 a6 5.Bd3 Nc6 6.Nf3 Bg4 7.Be3 Nf6 8.0-0 e6 9.Ne4 Nd5 10.c3 f5 11.Nc5 Bxc5 12.dxc5 Nxe3 13.fxe3 Bxf3 14.gxf3 Qg5+ 15.Kh1 0-0-0 16.Qe2 Rd5 17.Bxa6 bxa6 18.Qxa6+ Kd7 19.b4 Qxe3 20.b5 Qxc5 21.bxc6+ Qxc6 22.Qa3 Ra8 23.Qb4 Ra4 24.Qf8

Qxc3 25.Rac1 Qf6 26.Rxc7+ Kxc7 27.Rc1+ Kb7 28.Qc8+ Kb6 29.Rc6+ Ka5 30.Qa6+ Kb4 31.Qc4+ Ka5 32.Ra6# 1-0

#### Taylor, Jack - Patrick, King S. [B32] BC ch Victoria (2), 04.1930

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 e5 5.Nb3 Bc5 6.Nc3 Bb6 7.Nd5 Nge7 8.Bg5 0-0 9.Nxe7+ Nxe7 10.Qd6 f6 11.Bc4+ Kh8 12.h4 Bc7 13.Qd1 fxg5 14.hxg5 Bb6 15.Rxh7+ Kxh7 16.Qh5# 1-0

#### Freer, J - Taylor, Jack [A45] BC ch Victoria (3), 04.1930

1.d4 Nf6 2.d5 e6 3.dxe6 fxe6 4.a3 Be7 5.b4 0-0 6.Nd2 e5 7.h3 d5 8.Bb2 Bd6 9.e3 Nc6 10.c4 d4 11.e4 b6 12.Ngf3 Qe8 13.Qb3 Kh8 14.Rb1 a5 15.b5 Nd8 16.a4 Ne6 17.Ba3 Bxa3 18.Qxa3 Nc5 19.Nb3 Nfxe4 20.Nbd2 Nxf2 21.Kxf2 e4 22.Kg1 exf3 23.Nxf3 Qf7 24.Rd1 Bb7 25.Rd2 Rad8 26.h4 Bxf3 27.Rf2 d3 28.Rxf3 Qxc4 29.Rhh3 Rxf3 30.Rxf3 Qd4+ 31.Kh1 d2 32.Be2 Qxh4+ 33.Rh3 d1Q+ 0-1

#### Coyne, J.R. - Taylor, Jack [C54] VCC ch Vancouver, 1931

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.c3 0-0 6.Nbd2 d5 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Ne4 Bb6 9.0-0 Bg4 10.Bg5 Qd7 11.b4 Nf4 12.d4 Qf5 13.Qc2 Ng6 14.Bd3 Qd7 15.b5 Bxf3 16.gxf3 Nce7 17.dxe5 Nxe5 18.Be2 N7g6 19.Kh1 h6 20.Bxh6 Qh3 21.Rg1 Qxh6 22.Rg3 Rad8 23.Rag1 Bxf2 24.Nxf2 Rd2 25.Qe4 f5 26.Bc4+ Kh8 27.Qe1 Rfd8 28.Rh3 Qxh3 29.Nxh3 Nxf3 30.Qg3 Rxh2+ 31.Qxh2 Nxh2 32.Kxh2 Ne5 33.Be2 Rd2 34.Rg2 Rxa2 35.Nf4 g5 36.Ne6 g4 37.Kg3 Ra4 38.Nxc7 f4+ 39.Kf2 g3+ 40.Ke1 Ra1+ 41.Bd1 Nc4 42.Nd5 f3 43.Rxg3 f2+ 44.Kxf2 Rxd1 45.Ne3 Rd2+ 46.Ke1 Nxe3 47.Rh3+ Kg7 48.Kxd2 Nc4+ 49.Kd3 Nd6 50.c4 Kf6 51.Kd4 Ke6 52.Ra3 Nc8 53.Rh3 Kd6 54.c5+ Kc7 55.Rh7+ Kb8 56.Kd5 a6 57.b6 a5 58.Rh8 a4 59.Ke6 1-0

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### Vancouver Rapid Chess League

Monthly until May 2018, Jericho Village Details

#### Washington Senior Championship

April 14-15, Seattle Details

#### **Provincial Chess Challenge**

April 15, Columbia College Details

#### Kamloops Grand Prix #0

April 21-22, Kamloops Details

#### Knightmare Quads

April 22, Burnaby Details

## North Vancouver City Championships

April 28, North Vancouver Details

#### Paul Keres Memorial

May 19-21, Richmond Details

#### **BC Senior Championship**

June 22-24, Surrey Details

#### **Bowser Builders Open**

August 12, Bowser Details