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Your editor welcomes welcome any and all submissions - news of upcoming events, tournament reports, and anything else that might be of interest to B.C. players. Many thanks to Andrei Botez and Roger Patterson for their contributions to this issue.

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# LANGLEY LABOUR DAY OPEN by Andrei Botez

After accessorizing their jackets by having Langley Chess Club embroidered on them, the Langley team decided it was time to host a big tournament at their home base, the Brookswood Seniors Centre. They invited me as a TD, and because my TD experience in adult tournaments is limited I asked one of the most experienced Canadian arbiters to come and help me - Lynn Stringer - who was really nice to accept the invitation. Using all the channels, we knew to let the area chess players know about this tournament, in the end it was a successful tournament with forty-one players at the start. Before I go into details I would like to thank Hugh Long, Jay Zhao, Lynn Stringer, the Langley players, and everyone who contributed to the success of this tournament.

The great majority of players were between 1250-2000 rating, outside of this range were the top two players Brian McLaren and Bindi Cheng on the high end and seven unrated players below, including one Australian and one New Zealand player! Considering the rating difference between the top two players and the rest, no one was surprised to see the deciding game in the last round between Brian and the new Canadian Junior Champion. After his nice victory Brian received the brand new trophy from Hugh Long:



For second place there was three players tied with 5 points: Bindi Cheng, Paul Burke, and Gerhard Neufahrt. There was also a prize for first under 1800, where three out of the four winners were juniors: Sean Kelman and twins Yifei and Yiming Han, together with the more experienced Don Trotter. The prize for under 1300 was won by another junior, Changhe Li, who like the Han twins is a new addition to the B.C. junior chess scene.

For next year they will try to get some local sponsors to help increase the prize money, including maybe guaranteeing the prize fund! Pictures and games: <a href="http://www.bjdy.com/juniorchess/langley\_open\_list.html">http://www.bjdy.com/juniorchess/langley\_open\_list.html</a>

CFC standings: <a href="http://www.chess.ca/xtable.asp?TNum=200609038">http://www.chess.ca/xtable.asp?TNum=200609038</a>

#### Milner, A - Leblanc, P [B12] Labour Day op Langley (2.3), 03.09.2006

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Bb5 e6 6.Nf3 Qb6 7.Ba4 Bd7 8.a3 cxd4 9.cxd4 Nge7 10.Bc2 Ng6 11.0–0 Be7 12.Nc3 Rc8 13.Rb1 Na5 14.Bg5 Qd8 15.Bxe7 Qxe7 16.Ba4 a6 17.Bxd7+ Qxd7 18.Na4 Rc6 19.Nc5 Qc8 20.b4 Nc4 21.Qa4 0–0 22.Rfe1 b6 23.Nd3 Qb7 24.Rec1 Rfc8 25.h3 f6 26.exf6 gxf6 27.Re1 Re8 28.Nb2 b5 29.Qb3 e5 30.dxe5 fxe5 31.Nxc4 bxc4 32.Qc3 d4 33.Nxd4 exd4 34.Rxe8+ Kf7 35.Qe1 Qd7 36.Re4 c3 37.Rc1 d3 38.Qd1 Qd5 39.Qf3+ Rf6 40.Qe3 d2 41.Rd1 c2 42.Qa7+ Kf8 43.Qb8+ Kg7 44.Qc7+ Qf7 45.Qxc2 Rxf2 46.Rxd2 Rf1+ 47.Kh2 Qa7 48.Qc3+ 1–0

## Burke, P - Cheng, J [C29] Labour Day op Langley (4.4), 03.09.2006

1.e4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.f4 d6 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.Bc4 Be7 6.d3 Bg4 7.h3 Bxf3 8.Qxf3 Nd4 9.Qd1 Qd7 10.0–0 0–0 11.Be3 Nc6 12.Nd5 Na5 13.Nxe7+ Qxe7 14.Bb3 Nxb3 15.axb3 a6 16.c4 c5 17.f5 Nd7 18.f6 Qe6 19.fxg7 Kxg7 20.Rf5 f6 21.Qh5 Kh8 22.Raf1 Rg8 23.Bf2 Rg6 24.Bh4 Rag8 25.R1f2 R8g7 26.Qf3 Rf7 27.Kh2 Kg7 28.g4 h6 29.Bg3 Qe7 30.h4 Rf8 31.h5 Rg5 32.Bh4 Rxf5 33.gxf5 Kh7 34.Rg2 Rg8 35.Rg6 Rxg6 36.hxg6+ Kg7 37.Be1 Qd8 38.Bd2 Nb8 39.Bxh6+ Kg8 40.Qh5 Qc7 41.Bf8 Kxf8 42.Qh8+ Ke7 43.Qh7+ Kd8 44.Qxc7+ Kxc7 45.g7 Nd7 46.g8Q Nb8 47.Qe6 Nd7 48.Kh3 Kc6 1–0

## Kelman, S - Goodman, K [C15] Labour Day op Langley (4.8), 03.09.2006

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Nge2 dxe4 5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.Nxc3 Nf6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bxf6 Qxf6 9.Nxe4 Qg6 10.Ng3 Nd7 11.Bd3 Qf6 12.c3 0-0 13.Qg4 Qe7 14.0-0-0 Nf6 15.Qe2 c5 16.dxc5 Bd7 17.Ne4 Nxe4 18.Qxe4 f5 19.Qxb7 Qg5+ 20.Rd2 Rfd8 21.h4 Qf6 22.Bc4 Rab8 23.Qf3 Rbc8 24.c6 Bxc6 25.Rxd8+ Kh7 26.Qe3 Rxd8 27.Qxe6 Qxe6 28.Bxe6 Bxg2 29.Bxf5+ g6 30.Rg1 gxf5 31.Rxg2 Rd3 32.Rg3 Rd6 33.b4 f4 34.Rf3 Rf6 35.Kd2 Kg6 36.Kd3 Kf5 37.c4 Kg4 38.Ke4 ½-½

#### Trotter,D - Long,H [D04] Labour Day op Langley (4.9), 04.09.2006

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 d5 3.e3 Bg4 4.c4 e6 5.Nbd2 c6 6.Qb3 Qc7 7.c5 Nbd7 8.Bd3 b6 9.cxb6 axb6 10.0–0 Bd6 11.Re1 0–0 12.h3 Bxf3 13.Nxf3 e5 14.dxe5 Nxe5 15.Nxe5 Bxe5 16.Bd2 c5 17.Be2 Rfd8 18.f4 Bd6 19.Bf3 c4 20.Qc2 Bc5 21.Kh2 Rab8 22.b3 b5 23.bxc4 bxc4 24.Bc3 Bxe3 25.Be5 Bxf4+ 26.Bxf4 Qxf4+ 27.Kg1 Qd4+ 28.Kh1 Rb2 29.Qf5 g6 30.Qg5 Rb6 31.Rad1 Qc5 32.Re5 Rbd6 33.h4 Kg7 34.h5 h6 35.Qg3 Re6 36.Rxe6 g5 37.Re5 Qd6 38.Qe1 d4 39.g4 d3 40.Qe3 c3 41.Rc5 Qg3 42.Rxd3 Rxd3 43.Qxd3 Qe1+ 44.Kg2 Qd2+ 45.Qxd2 cxd2 46.Bd1 1–0

#### Cheng,B - McLaren,B [A44] Labour Day op Langley (6.1), 06.09.2006

1.d4 c5 2.d5 e5 3.e4 d6 4.Nc3 g6 5.Bb5+ Nd7 6.a4 f6 7.h4 Bh6 8.f4 Qe7 9.Nh3 a6 10.Be2 exf4 11.Nxf4 Ne5 12.Be3 f5 13.Qd2 fxe4 14.0–0–0 Bf5 15.Rde1 0–0–0 16.Kb1 Bg7 17.h5 Nf6 18.h6 Bf8 19.Bf2 Nfg4 20.Bxg4 Nxg4 21.Bg3 e3 22.Qe2 Bxh6 23.Qc4 Bg7 24.Ne6 Bxc3 25.bxc3 Bxe6 26.dxe6 h5 27.Qd5 Rhe8 28.Bh4 Qxe6 29.Qxe6+ Rxe6

30.Bxd8 Kxd8 31.Kb2 b5 32.Rhf1 Kc7 33.Rf4 Kc6 34.Re2 Kd5 35.c4+ bxc4 36.Kc3 Nf2 37.Re1 Ne4+ 38.Kb2 c3+ 39.Kc1 Nd2 40.Kd1 a5 41.Ke2 Re5 42.Rh1 g5 43.Rf8 h4 44.Ra8 Kd4 45.Rh3 Nc4 46.Rf8 Re4 47.Rf5 Rg4 48.Rh2 d5 49.Rf3 Re4 0–1

#### 2006 CANADIAN CLOSED CHAMPIONSHIP AND ZONAL

Igor Zugic is the new Canadian Champion! He survived a titanic struggle against Defending Champion Pascal Charbonneau in the last round to maintain his slim lead ahead of second-place finishers Charbonneau, Mark Bluvshtein, Leonid Gerzhoy, and former B.C. resident Vicente Lee Jr. The latter received an IM title for his performance, with FM titles going to Jonathan Tayar and Shiyam Thavandiran after a playoff. Our B.C. representatives, Louie Jiang and Roger Patterson, ended up with identical 4/9 scores; Louie was recognized as the top B.C. player at the Closed, presumably after the application of some sort of tiebreak system. He also won the upset prize for his victories over Vicente Lee Jr. (2236), Ian Findlay (2385), and Ron Livshits (2430), and Louie's father Patrick was presented with an award as Chess Parent of the Year (although it's unclear which criteria were used). Congratulations to all!

Crosstable: http://www.chess.ca/xtable.asp?TNum=200609008

Games, photos, and lots more at

http://monroi.com/tournamentgate/canadianclosed06/index.html or www.chessontario.com/tournaments/BelzbergInvitational.htm

## Bailey, D - Jiang, L [B70] CAN ch Toronto (6.20), 23.08.2006

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 q6 6.Bq5 Bq7 7.Bd3 0-0 8.Nde2 Nbd7 9.Qd2 a6 10.a4 Re8 11.0-0 Qc7 12.h3 Ne5 13.Bxf6 exf6 14.Nf4 Be6 15.Nfd5 Qd8 16.Kh1 Rc8 17.Rae1 Nxd3 18.cxd3 f5 19.exf5 gxf5 20.Qf4 Rc5 21.Qf3 Qh4 22.Re2 Rd8 23.Rd1 Qd4 24.Nf4 Bb3 25.Rde1 Re5 26.Nh5 Rxe2 27.Rxe2 Be6 28.Nf4 Be5 29.Ncd5 Kh8 30.q3 Rc8 31.Kh2 Rc5 32.Nxe6 Qxd5 33.Nq5 Qxf3 34.Nxf3 Bf6 35.Kq2 Kq7 36.Rd2 Kf8 37.Kf1 Ke7 38.Ke2 Rc1 39.d4 Ke6 40.d5+ Ke7 41.b3 Rc3 42.Rd3 Rc5 43.Ke3 Be5 44.Nh4 Kf6 45.f4 Bc3 46.q4 fxq4 47.hxq4 Bb4 48.q5+ Ke7 49.Nf5+ Kd7 50.Nh6 Ke7 51.Ng8+ Kf8 52.Nf6 Rc1 53.Nxh7+ Kg7 54.Nf6 Re1+ 55.Kf3 Kg6 56.Ne4 Rf1+ 57.Kg4 Rg1+ 58.Rg3 Rd1 59.Nf6 Bc5 60.f5+ Kg7 61.Rh3 Rd4+ 62.Kf3 Rd3+ 63.Kq2 Rd2+ 64.Kf1 Rf2+ 65.Ke1 Rxf5 66.Rd3 Rxq5 67.Nd7 Rq1+ 68.Ke2 Ba7 69.Rc3 Rq2+ 70.Kf3 Rd2 71.b4 Rd4 72.b5 axb5 73.axb5 Rb4 74.Ra3 Bd4 75.Ra2 f6 76.Rc2 Rxb5 77.Ke4 Rb4 78.Kf5 Be5 79.Rc7 Rf4+ 80.Ke6 Kg6 81.Rxb7 Rd4 82.Rb1 Kg5 83.Rf1 Rf4 84.Rg1+ Rg4 85.Nxe5 fxe5 86.Rf1 Rf4 87.Rg1+ Rg4 88.Re1 Kf4 89.Kxd6 e4 90.Kc5 e3 91.Kd4 Rg3 92.d6 Rg6 93.Rf1+ Kg4 94.Kxe3 Rxd6 ½-½

## Chung, K - Patterson, R [B85] CAN ch Toronto (7.27), 24.08.2006

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e6 6.Be2 Be7 7.Be3 Nc6 8.0-0 0-0 9.f4 a6 10.Kh1 Qc7 11.Qe1 Re8 12.Qg3 Bf8 13.Nxc6 bxc6 14.e5 dxe5 15.fxe5 Nd5 16.Bg5 Nxc3 17.Qxc3 Be7 18.Bxe7 Rxe7 19.Qc5 Rd7 20.Bc4 Bb7 21.Rad1 Rad8 22.Rd3 Rxd3 23.cxd3 Rd7 24.Bxe6 Re7 25.Bc4 Bc8 26.d4 Be6 27.Bxe6 Rxe6 28.b4 Qd8 29.Qa7 f6 30.Qxa6 Qxd4 31.exf6 Rxf6 32.Qc8+ Kf7 33.Qc7+ Kg6 34.Qg3+ Kh6 35.Qh3+ Kg6 36.Qg3+ Kh6 37.Rxf6+ gxf6 38.Qe1 f5 39.h3 f4 40.a4 Kg5 41.Qe7+ Kg6 42.Qe6+ Kg7 43.Qe1 Kf6 44.a5 Qc4 45.Qd2 Ke5 46.Kg1 h5 47.Kf2 Kf5 48.Qd7+ Kg5 49.Qe7+ Kg6 50.Qd6+ Kf7 51.Kf3 Qf1+ 52.Ke4 Qxg2+ 53.Ke5 Qe2+ 54.Kf5 Qc2+ 55.Kg5 Qg2+ 56.Kxh5 Qxh3+ 57.Kg5 Qg2+ 58.Kf5 Qc2+ 59.Kg4 Qg2+ ½-½

# Livshits, R - Jiang, L [D64] CAN ch Toronto (8.24), 25.08.2006

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Be7 4.Nf3 Nf6 5.Bg5 0-0 6.e3 Nbd7 7.Rc1 c6 8.Qc2 Re8 9.Bd3 b6 10.0-0 Bb7 11.h3 Rc8 12.Rfd1 c5 13.cxd5 exd5 14.Ne5 cxd4 15.Nxd7 dxc3 16.Bxf6 Bxf6 17.Bxh7+ Kh8 18.Qf5 Re6 19.Nxf6 Rxf6 20.Qh5 Rh6 21.Qxf7 Rc7 22.Qf5 Rxh7 23.Rxc3 Rxc3 24.bxc3 Qf6 25.Qd7 g6 26.Qe8+ Kg7 27.c4 dxc4 28.e4 Bc6 29.Qb8 Bxe4 30.Qc7+ Kh6 31.Qxc4 Re7 32.Rd8 Rf7 33.Qc1+ Kh7 34.Qd2 Qa1+ 35.Kh2 Qe5+ 36.Kg1 Bb7 37.Rd4 Qf6 38.Qe3 Re7 39.Qd3 Re1+ 40.Kh2 Qxf2 41.Rd7+ Kh6 0-1

# Patterson,R - Huber,G [B84] CAN ch Toronto (8.25), 25.08.2006 [Roger Patterson]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Be2 I was not expecting Greg to play this way and had prepared for a different variation. 6...e6 7.0-0 Nbd7 8.f4 b5 9.Bf3 Bb7 10.Re1 10.e5 Bxf3 11.Nxf3 dxe5 12.fxe5 Na4 13.Oe2 seems to be the more challenging line: 13...Ndxe5 14.Nxe5 Qd4+ 15.Kh1 Nxe5 with compensation. 10...Rc8 I was expecting 10... Be7 to stop White's idea when I was thinking of playing 11.a4 b4 12.Na2 (also possible is 12.Nb1 Nc5 13.Nd2 (13.c3)). **11.a4 b4 12.Nd5** 12. Na2 a5 13. c3 is also a way of playing against Black's formation but seeing as d5 is available - why not? **12...e5?!** I had been expecting 12...Rc4 or Nc5. Now White gets an initiative which is hard to deal with. 13.fxe5 dxe5 **14.Nf5 Bc5+ 15.Kh1** 15.Be3 aiming for a white square bind for the knights is a more positional way of proceeding without some of the tactical issues. **15...0-0 16.Bg5** This pin is not as strong as it looks as the black knight can move, countering Bxd8 with Nf2+. But if Black does not manage to make a tactic like this work then White has an edge due to the black pieces being uncoordinated apart from the one tactical idea. **16...Bxd5** 16...Nxe4 17. Nfe7+ Bxe7 18.Nxe7+ Qxe7 19.Bxe7 Nf2+ 20.Kq1 Nxd1 21.Bxb7. **17.exd5 e4 18.Bq4 Ob6 19.d6** The result of some faulty analysis. I had been concerned that 19.a5 would equalize after 19...Nxq4 20.Qxq4 Qq6 but missed (well I saw it at one point and then forgot about it) that Black's e pawn was hanging to 21.Rxe4. 19...Rce8 20.a5 Qb7 21.Ne7+ Kh8 22.Bh3 Rd8 Lining up on the d-pawn. This

would be serious except that Black does not have enough time to pick it up before the White attack comes through. **23.Rf1** Telegraphing a soon to come exchange sac. It might be too late now for Black to save the game. **23...e3** In order to maybe play Ne4 and unwind Black's pieces.



**24.Rxf6** (Both sides were in time pressure here. I had been planning 24.Bxf6 Nxf6 25.Rxf6 winning but hallucinated at the last minute, thinking that Black could some how ignore the Rf6 and capture the d6 pawn followed by recovering his piece by taking the knight on e7. Of course none of this works; White is simply up a piece and 25...gxf6 26.Qh5 just wins. The game continuation also wins but not quite as cleanly. The theme in this position is that Qh5 always comes with threats on both h7 and on the loose bishop on c5 (sometimes with Bxd7 to remove the knight protector).

**24...qxf6** 24...Nxf6 25.Bxf6 Bxd6 (25...Rxd6 26.Bxq7+ Kxq7 27.Nf5+) 26.Qh5 +- (26.Bxg7+ ? Kxg7 27.Nf5+ Kh8 28.Nxd6 Qe7 with advantage to Black). **25.Bh4** Black is completely tied up and there is the threat of Bxd7 followed by Bxf6 mate to deal with. Not 25.Bxd7? gxf6 26.Bf5 Rxd6 27.Qh5 h6 -+ 25...Rg8 **26.Nxg8 Rxg8 27.Qf1** Covers the potential mate on g2 so that the Bh3 can move (i.e. with Bxd7 followed by Bxf6+). 27...Rg6 28.Qf5 The theme against the loose bishop on c5 rears its ugly head again. 28...Bxd6 29.Qxd7 **Oe4 30.0xd6 0xh4 31.0d3** ... and White proceeds to throw his advantage away in the mutual time scramble. **31...Rq5 32.0xe3 Re5 33.0q3?** 33.0d2 +- and Black does not get any of his back-rank tricks.) 33...Qd4 Now I realized that there was a problem with Rxa5. 34.Rf1 Better is 34.c3. **34...Qxb2 35.Qf3 Rxa5 36.Bf5?** Better is 36.Qd1 - White needs to keep pieces on in order to mate. 36...Ra1 37.h3 a5 38.Kh2 Qe5+ 39.q3 Rxf1 40.Qxf1 a4 41.Bd3 Qc5? 41...a3 42.Bc4 Qb2 43.Qe2 Kg7 44.Bb3 and White is still better as there are some mate threats, e.g., 44...a2 45.Qq4+ Kh8 46.Qxb4 Kg7 47.Qc4 a1=Q? (47...Qxb3 48.cxb3 a1=Q just gives an advantage.) 48.Qxf7+ Kh6 49.Qf8+ Kg6 50.Bf7+ Kg5 (50...Kf5 51.Qc8+ Ke4 52.Qg4+ Ke3 53.Qf4+ Ke2 54.Bh5+ Ke1 55.Qe3+ Kf1 56.Qg1#) 51.Qg7+ Kf5 52.Qg4+ Ke5 53.Qf4# However, this is not particularly convincing considering the mutual time pressure and the advantage White used to have. **42.Qxf6+** Resigns. I was a bit surprised by the resignation as I hadn't fully worked out the followup in my 30 second increment but 42...Kg8 43.h4 a3 44.Qh6 gets to Black's king without allowing a perpetual or the a-pawn to queen. **1-0** 

# Zugic, I - Charbonneau, P [A70] CAN ch Toronto (9.1), 26.08.2006

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 e6 4.Nc3 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.e4 g6 7.Nf3 a6 8.h3 b5 9.Bd3 Bg7 10.0-0 0-0 11.a3 Re8 12.Re1 Nh5 13.Bg5 Qb6 14.Qd2 Nd7 15.b4 Bb7 16.Rac1 Rac8 17.Ne2 Qc7 18.g4 Nhf6 19.Ng3 c4 20.Bc2 Nb6 21.Bh6

Bh8 22.Nf5 Nfd7 23.N3d4 c3 24.Qf4 Be5 25.Qf3 gxf5 26.Nxf5 Nf8 27.Qg2 Ng6 28.h4 Kh8 29.h5 Ne7 30.Nh4 Rg8 31.Kh1 Qd8 32.Nf3 Nd7 33.Nxe5 Nxe5 34.f3 f5 35.g5 Qe8 36.g6 hxg6 37.f4 Nf7 38.Bg5 Nxg5 39.Qxg5 Qf7 40.Re3 gxh5 41.Qh6+ Qh7 42.Qxd6 Qg7 43.Rg3 Qf8 44.Qe5+ Kh7 45.Rh3 Qf7 46.Bd1 Rg6 47.Bxh5 Kg8 48.Bxg6 Nxg6 49.Rg1 Kf8 50.Qd6+ Kg7 51.Qe5+ ½-½

#### **B.C. GAME AT THE CHESS CAFE**

As noted by Roger Patterson there is currently a B.C. game featured in Gary Lane's column at the Chess Cafe, Basanta - Wu from the 2003 Keres Memorial:

http://www.chesscafe.com/lane/lane.htm

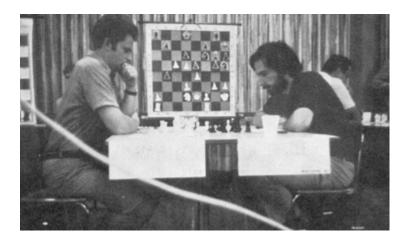
#### **1971 CANADIAN OPEN**

Vancouver's first staging of the Canadian Open in 1971 was largely the result of actions by FIDE and the then Canadian FIDE representative, John G. Prentice. On hearing that the 1971 FIDE Congress had been awarded to Vancouver, several delegates at the 1970 Congress hoped that a tournament would be held in conjunction with the congress, as had occurred in San Juan in 1969. The 1971 Canadian Open was destined for Ottawa, but in light of these developments Prentice (also CFC president) asked the Ottawa organizing committee to allow Vancouver to host the event instead, in exchange for their being given first priority in holding the 1973 Canadian Open. The Ottawa R.A. Club agreed, and the Canadian Open came to the West Coast for the first time in its history (this after being held in St. John's in 1970!).

An 11-round Swiss, the Open took place at the Ponderosa Cafe at UBC (the FIDE Congress was held at Cecil Green Park) from Monday, August 23 to Friday, September 3, with an awards ceremony and banquet on September 4. Rounds were held at 6 pm each day with adjournments the following morning; the time control was 45 moves in 2-1/2 hours, followed by 18 moves per hour thereafter. Entry fee was \$25 for adults and \$15 for players under 19 years of age, with a guaranteed prize fund of \$4,100. The tournament director was Phil Haley, assisted by Russ Vogler.

Due to his FIDE connections Prentice was able to secure the participation of the reigning World Champion, Boris Spassky, apparently partly in return for hosting the Fischer - Taimanov Candidates Match earlier in 1971. The presence of Spassky was obviously a large drawing card; 156 players took part, including four grandmasters (Spassky, Benko, Kavalek, and Browne), three others who would become grandmasters (Suttles, Biyiasis, and Ree), and many other strong players, from B.C. (Zuk, Crookes, Zaradic, Shapero,

Berry, Harper, Fullbrook, Macskasy), Canada (Vranesic, Kuprejanov, Formanek, Piasetski, MacPhail, Dobrich), and elsewhere (Waterman, Avery, Gadia, Bone, Ervin, Barnes).



World Champion versus Canadian Champion: Spassky and Suttles

Spassky came within a hair's breadth of losing to Suttles in their sixth round encounter but recovered to win the game en route to tying for first with Dutch Champion Hans Ree (better known these days as a journalist and writer); they won \$800 each for their 9-2 undefeated scores. Suttles, Zvonko Vranesic, and Walter Browne tied for third with 8.5, earning \$250 each for their efforts. Other prize winners included:

Bob Zuk, \$250, top B.C. player (Suttles was considered to be "in the money")

Lubomir Kavalek, \$75, tied for sixth George Kuprejanov, \$75, tied for sixth Dennis Waterman, \$200, top expert John Lee, \$200, top class A Steve Thomas, \$200, top class B Nigel Fullbrook, \$50, top class C Jonathan Berry, \$25, tied top junior Craig Barnes, \$25, tied top junior Bill Macskasy, \$25, top junior under 14 Ruth Cardoso, \$100, top women Orilio Gadia, \$75, top unrated

Crosstable: <a href="http://www3.telus.net/public/swright2/canop1971.html">http://www3.telus.net/public/swright2/canop1971.html</a>

A selection of games follows. All the remaining extant games can be found in BCBASE.

## Suttles, D - Berry, J [D34] CAN op 9th Vancouver (4), 27.08.1971

1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 e6 3.g3 d5 4.Nf3 Be7 5.Bg2 0-0 6.0-0 c5 7.cxd5 exd5 8.d4 Nc6 9.dxc5 Bxc5 10.Bg5 Be6 11.Bxf6 Qxf6 12.Nxd5 Qxb2 13.Nc7 Rad8 14.Qc1 Qxc1 15.Raxc1 Bb6 16.Nxe6 fxe6 17.e3 h6 18.Rc2 Rd7 19.Rfc1 Rfd8 20.Bf1 g5 21.Bb5 Rd1+ 22.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 23.Kg2 Rd6 24.Bxc6 Rxc6 25.Rxc6 bxc6 26.Ne5 c5 27.Kf3 Kg7 28.h3 Kf6 29.Ke4 h5 30.g4 hxg4 31.hxg4 Ke7 32.a4 a6 33.Kd3 Bc7 34.Nf3 Kf6 35.Kc4 Bb6 36.Nd2 Ke5 37.f3 Ba5 38.Ne4 Be1 39.Nxg5 Bf2 40.f4+ 1-0

# Vranesic, Z - Ervin, R [D35] CAN op 9th Vancouver (5), 28.08.1971

1.d4 e6 2.c4 Nf6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Bg5 Nbd7 5.cxd5 exd5 6.e3 Be7 7.Nf3 0-0 8.Bd3 Re8 9.0-0 c6 10.Qc2 a5 11.Rab1 Nf8 12.a3 Ne4 13.Bxe7 Qxe7 14.b4 axb4 15.axb4 Ng6 16.Nd2 f5 17.Nf3 f4 18.Rfe1 Bf5 19.b5 Nxc3 20.Qxc3 Ra3 21.Rb3 Rxb3 22.Qxb3 Bxd3 23.Qxd3 fxe3 24.Rxe3 Qd7 25.bxc6 bxc6 26.Ng5 Rxe3 27.Qxe3 Qe7 28.Qe6+ Qxe6 29.Nxe6 Ne7 30.g4 Kf7 31.Nf4 Ng6 32.Nd3 Ke6 33.f4 Kd6 34.Kf2 Nf8 35.Ke3 g6 36.f5 gxf5 37.gxf5 Nd7 38.Kf4 h6 39.h3 Nf6 40.Ne5 Nh5+ 41.Ke3 Ng3 42.Nf7+ Ke7 43.Nxh6 Kf6 44.Kf3 Nf1 45.Kf4 Nd2 46.Ng4+ Ke7 47.h4 Nb3 48.Ke5 c5 49.dxc5 Nxc5 50.Kxd5 Nd7 51.Ke4 Kf8 52.Kf4 Kg7 53.Kg5 Nc5 54.f6+ Kf7 55.Kf5 Kg8 56.Ne5 Kh7 57.Nf7 Nd7 58.Kg5 Nf8 59.Kh5 Nd7 60.Ng5+ Kg8 61.Kg6 Ne5+ 62.Kf5 Nd7 63.h5 Nf8 64.Ke5 1-0

# Spassky,B - Suttles,D [B06] CAN op 9th Vancouver (6), 29.08.1971

1.e4 g6 2.d4 d6 3.c3 Nf6 4.Bd3 e5 5.f4 Bg7 6.Nf3 Bg4 7.fxe5 dxe5 8.Bg5 Nbd7 9.Nbd2 h6 10.Bh4 g5 11.Bf2 0-0 12.h3 Bh5 13.d5 Bg6 14.Qe2 Re8 15.0-0 Nh5 16.g3 Bf8 17.b4 Ndf6 18.Nc4 Bd6 19.Nfd2 Kh7 20.Kh2 Rg8 21.Nxd6 cxd6 22.c4 a5 23.c5 axb4 24.Nc4 dxc5 25.Nxe5 Re8 26.Nxg6 fxg6 27.Bxc5 Qc7 28.Bf2 Ra3 29.Qf3 Nxe4 30.Rac1 Qd7 31.Bd4 Rxd3 32.Qxd3 Nhxg3 33.Rfe1 Qd6 34.Kg1 h5 35.Bb2 g4 36.Qd4 Nf5 37.Qd3 gxh3 38.Rxe4 Rxe4 39.Qxe4 h2+ 40.Kg2 Qg3+ 41.Kh1 Qf2 42.Rc7+ Kh6 43.Bc1+ 1-0

# Warner, E - Browne, W [A75] CAN op 9th Vancouver (6), 29.08.1971

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 e6 4.Nc3 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.e4 g6 7.Nf3 Bg7 8.Be2 0-0 9.0-0 a6 10.a4 Bg4 11.Nd2 Bxe2 12.Qxe2 Nbd7 13.Nc4 Nb6 14.Bg5 Re8 15.Rfe1 Qc7 16.Nxb6 Qxb6 17.a5 Qc7 18.Qd2 c4 19.Rac1 Qxa5 20.Qf4 Qd8 21.Qh4 h6 22.Bxh6 Bxh6 23.Qxh6 Ng4 24.Qd2 Rc8 25.Qd4 Qh4 26.h3 Ne5 27.Ra1 Nd3 28.Re2 Re5 29.Qb6 Rg5 30.Qxd6 Rxg2+ 31.Kxg2 Nf4+ 32.Kf3 Qxh3+ 33.Kxf4 Qh2+ 34.Ke3 Qxd6 35.Rh1 g5 36.Kd2 Qf4+ 37.Kc2 b5 38.Rhe1 b4 39.Nd1 Rc5 40.Kb1 c3 41.Rc2 Qc7 42.bxc3 bxc3 43.Kc1 Qa5 44.Ne3 Qa1# 0-1

# Lee, J - Zimanyi, P [B54] CAN op 9th Vancouver (6), 29.08.1971

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Bd7 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Be3 Nf6 7.Be2 e6 8.Qd2 a6 9.a4 Be7 10.0-0 0-0 11.f4 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Bc6 13.Qe3 Qd7 14.a5 Rac8 15.Rad1 Ne8 16.Qg3 Bf6 17.e5 Be7 18.Bd3 g6 19.f5 dxe5 20.fxg6 Qxd4+ 21.Kh1 fxg6 22.Bxg6 Qh4 23.Rxf8+ Kxf8 24.Rf1+ Kg7 25.Rf7+ Kh8 26.Qxh4 Bxh4 27.Rxh7+ Kg8 28.Rxh4 Nf6 29.h3 Kg7 30.Bd3 Nd5 31.Rg4+ Kf7 32.Ne4 Rf8 33.Rg5 Nb4 34.Rxe5 Nxd3 35.cxd3 Rd8 36.Nc5 Rd5 37.Rxd5 Bxd5 38.Kg1 Kg6 39.Kf2 Kf5 40.g3 Ke5 41.Ke3 Bg2 42.h4 Kd6 43.h5 Bh3 44.Nxb7+ Kc7 45.h6 Bf5 46.Nc5 Kd6 47.g4 Bg6 48.b4 Ke5 49.Nd7+ Kd5 50.h7 Bxh7 51.Nf6+ 1-0

# Spassky, B - Ree, H [B07] CAN op 9th Vancouver (8), 31.08.1971

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.c3 d6 4.f4 Nf6 5.Bd3 e5 6.Nf3 exd4 7.cxd4 0-0 8.Nc3 c5 9.dxc5 dxc5 10.0-0 Nc6 11.e5 Nd5 12.Ne4 Bg4 13.Nd6 Ndb4 14.Be4 Qb6 15.Be3 Rad8 16.a3 Na6 17.b4 Nxe5 18.fxe5 Bxe5 19.Nxe5 Bxd1 20.Nec4 Qc7 21.Raxd1 cxb4 22.Bxb7 Nc5 23.Bd5 bxa3 24.Nb5 Qe7 25.Nbxa3 Ne6 26.Nb5 Qb4 27.Nba3 Qe7 28.Nb5 Qb4 29.Nba3 ½-½

# Formanek, E - Kavalek, L [B93] CAN op 9th Vancouver (8), 31.08.1971

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.f4 Qc7 7.Bd3 Nbd7 8.Nf3 b5 9.0-0 Bb7 10.Qe1 e5 11.Kh1 g6 12.fxe5 dxe5 13.Qh4 h6 14.Bd2 Be7 15.Qe1 Nc5 16.b4 Nxd3 17.cxd3 Rd8 18.Qe2 Nh5 19.Rac1 Qb8 20.Nd5 Bxd5 21.exd5 Rxd5 22.d4 0-0 23.Nxe5 Bf6 24.Nxg6 Re8 25.Qg4 Bg7 26.Ne5 Rxd4 27.Qxh5 Qxe5 28.Qxf7+ Kh7 29.Bc3 Red8 30.Rce1 Qg5 31.Bxd4 Rxd4 32.a3 Rd2 33.Qf5+ Qxf5 34.Rxf5 Ra2 35.Rf3 Bb2 36.Rf2 Kg6 37.Rb1 Rxa3 38.Rfxb2 h5 39.g3 Kg5 40.Kg2 Kg4 41.h3+ Kg5 42.Rb3 Ra2+ 43.R1b2 Ra1 44.Rb1 Ra2+ 45.R1b2 Ra1 46.Kf2 Rh1 47.Kg2 1-0

# Zuk,R - Barnes,C [A04] CAN op 9th Vancouver (9), 01.09.1971

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d3 g6 4.g3 Bg7 5.Bg2 e6 6.0-0 Nge7 7.Nbd2 0-0 8.Re1 d5 9.Qe2 Qc7 10.e5 Bd7 11.Nb3 b6 12.Bf4 Rac8 13.c3 Rfd8 14.h4 h6 15.Bh3 Nb8 16.Nbd2 Bb5 17.Nf1 Qb7 18.N1h2 Kh7 19.Ng4 Ng8 20.Bg2 Qd7 21.Qd2 Nc6 22.Bh3 Qe7 23.Kg2 Nb8 24.d4 Nc6 25.Bg5 hxg5 26.hxg5 cxd4 27.cxd4 Qb4 28.Qf4 Nge7 29.Nf6+ Bxf6 30.gxf6 Nf5 31.Bxf5 exf5 32.Rh1+ 1-0

# Spassky,B - Zuk,R [E82] CAN op 9th Vancouver (10), 02.09.1971

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.f3 0-0 6.Be3 b6 7.Bd3 Bb7 8.Nge2 c5 9.d5 e6 10.Bg5 h6 11.Bh4 exd5 12.cxd5 Nbd7 13.0-0 a6 14.a4 Ne5 15.f4 Nxd3 16.Qxd3 Qc7 17.Rad1 Rae8 18.Bxf6 Bxf6 19.e5 dxe5 20.Ne4 Bg7 21.f5 Rd8 22.N2c3 gxf5 23.Rxf5 f6 24.Rdf1 Qe7 25.Qg3 Kh8 26.Qh4 Bxd5 27.Nxf6 Bb7 28.Rh5 Rxf6 29.Rxh6+ Kg8 30.Rfxf6 Bxf6 31.Rxf6 Qg7 32.Qc4+ Kh8 33.Rf3 Rd6 34.Qh4+ Kg8 35.Qc4+ Kh8 36.Ne4 Rg6 37.Rh3+ Rh6 38.Rd3 Rf6

# Ree, H - Formanek, E [A12] CAN op 9th Vancouver (10), 02.09.1971

1.c4 c6 2.Nf3 d5 3.b3 Nf6 4.g3 Bf5 5.Ba3 Nbd7 6.Bg2 e5 7.Bxf8 Kxf8 8.0-0 Kg8 9.d3 h6 10.Nbd2 Be6 11.Qc2 d4 12.b4 g5 13.Nb3 Qe7 14.Rab1 Rc8 15.Rfe1 g4 16.Nfd2 b6 17.e3 dxe3 18.Rxe3 Qxb4 19.d4 Qd6 20.Qc3 exd4 21.Nxd4 c5 22.Nxe6 fxe6 23.Ne4 Nxe4 24.Rxe4 h5 25.Rxe6 Qd4 26.Qc2 Rh7 27.Rd1 Qh8 28.Bd5 1-0

# Kuprejanov, G - Benko, P [B81] CAN op 9th Vancouver (10), 02.09.1971

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e6 6.g4 h6 7.Be3 Nc6 8.Rg1 e5 9.Ndb5 a6 10.Na3 b5 11.Nd5 Nxd5 12.exd5 Nb8 13.Bd3 Be7 14.Qf3 Nd7 15.0-0-0 Bb7 16.Kb1 Bg5 17.c4 b4 18.Nc2 a5 19.Rge1 Kf8 20.Bf5 Qf6 21.Qe2 Bxe3 22.fxe3 Nc5 23.Rf1 Qe7 24.Bg6 f6 25.h4 Qd8 26.g5 hxg5 27.hxg5 Ke7 28.gxf6+ gxf6 29.Rxf6 Kxf6 30.Qf3+ Kg7 31.Qf7+ Kh6 32.Rh1+ Kg5 33.Qf5# 1-0

#### **NEWS FROM THE VICTORIA CHESS CLUB**

The Victoria Chess Club meets every Monday (except statutory holidays) from 6:30 to 10:30.

1726 Douglas Street (at Silver Threads). Nightly table fees are \$2 (members) or \$4 (nonmembers).

Website: <u>www.victoriachessclub.pbwiki.com</u>

The following events are coming up:

### **September Active:**

- \* Active Swiss Tournament September 11, 18, 25
- \* Free Entry (but nightly table fees apply) (CFC membership not required)
- \* Time Control: Game/25 + 5 sec. increment
- \* 2 rounds / night at 7:00 and roughly 8:00. Please arrive by 6:30 for pairings to be made at 6:45.

#### **October Blitz:**

- \* Blitz Tournament October 2
- \* Free Entry (but nightly table fees apply)
- \* Time Control: Game/5

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **UBC TUESDAY NIGHT SWISS**

Date: Tuesdays

Location: Room 211, Student Union Building, UBC

Format: 5-round Swiss

Time control: 2 hours sudden death

Time: 6:30 pm sharp

Entry fees: \$20 for adults, \$15 for juniors and UBC club members

TD info.: Aaron Cosenza, 604 327-4714, <a href="mailto:xramis1@yahoo.ca">xramis1@yahoo.ca</a>

#### **RIGHT TO PLAY MEGA FLEX**

Date: begins September 18

Location: variable

Details: <u>www.chessfirst.com</u>

#### **BC OPEN**

Date: 7-8 October Location: Kamloops Type: 6-round Swiss

#### **HINATA S. RR**

Date: begins October 4

Location: North Vancouver Chess Club

Details: www.chessfirst.com

## **SILVER STAR CLASSIC**

Date: 11-13 November

Location: Vernon Type: 6-round Swiss