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Stephen Wright

PAUL KERES MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT

For the third year in a row the Paul Keres memorial was held at the Plaza 500 hotel; the playing conditions were generally good, although we had to contend with a nearby coming-of-age party on the Saturday night (including karaoke and dancing). The tournament, now in its 28th year, attracted a total of 101 players. The Open section was dominated by visitors: three-time Brazilian champion IM Herman C. van Riemsdijk and Oregon junior Morgan Griffiths both scored 5.5/7. This would have been enough to win the event last year, but unfortunately for them they were relegated to sharing second place by a white-hot Georgi Orlov, who put up a picket fence of seven wins to take first. This is the first time in the history of the Keres that anyone has won the Open section with a perfect score; this win also means that Orlov has won the Keres five times, thus tying with fellow IM John Donaldson for the most first prizes.

Congratulations Georgi! Local players Fanhao Meng and Laszlo Tegzes tied for fourth with 5.0/7, followed a half-point back by Yan Teplitsky, Jack Yoos, Gary Basanta, and Georgi Kostadinov.

Open section crosstable: open

Four players were tied for first going into the last round of the U2000 section, but when the smoke had cleared only two remained: Justin Hardy and Noam Davies shared first with 5.0/6. Peter Sum, rated 1521 and ranked 25th in the 28-player section, had the tournament of his life to score 4.5 and take third prize. In the U1600 section first prize was won by unrated Alejandro Diaz with 5.5, followed by Dan Chapman on 5 and Virgil Awasis on 4.5. The overall unrated prize was won by Nelson Balbutin, who scored 4 points in the Open section.

Crosstables: under2000 under1600

Many thanks are due to organizer Peter Stockhausen and perennial TDs Lynn Stringer, Lyle Craver and Mark Barnes; without them the Keres wouldn't happen.

Here are six games from the tournament. All of the games from the Open section are available for download at The Paul Keres Memorial Chess Tournament - History and Coming Events

Orlov,G - Yoos,J [D07] Keres mem 28th Vancouver (5.1), 18.05.2003

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.e3 Bg4 4.c4 e6 5.a3 Nf6 6.Nbd2 a6 7.Be2 Be7 8.0-0 0-0 9.b4 Re8 10.Bb2 Bf8 11.Rc1 Ne7 12.Ne5 Bxe2 13.Qxe2 Ng6 14.f4 Ne7 15.Ndf3 h6 16.Ng5 hxg5 17.fxg5 Nh7 18.Nxf7 Qc8 19.Ne5 g6 20.Qf3 Nf5 21.cxd5 Bd6 22.Nxg6 Nxg5

23.Qg4 Qd8 24.dxe6 Nxe3 25.Qh5 Re7 1-0

Kostadinov, G - Teplitsky, Y [A45] Keres mem 28th Vancouver (5.2), 18.05.2003

Teplitsky sacrifices two(!) exchanges in a wild game but cannot overcome his opponent's resistance:

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bg5 c5 3.Bxf6 gxf6 4.d5 Qb6 5.Qc1 Bh6 6.e3 f5 7.g3 Qf6 8.Ne2 d6 9.Nd2 Nd7 10.f4 Bg7 11.Rb1 b5 12.b4 Bb7 13.Bg2 Rc8 14.Qa3 a6 15.bxc5 Rxc5 16.c4 0-0 17.0-0 Rfc8 18.Nd4 Rxc4 19.Nxc4 Rxc4 20.Qa5 Rxd4 21.Qd8+ Nf8 22.exd4 Bxd5 23.Rbd1 Bxg2 24.Kxg2 Qe6 25.Qa8 Qxa2+ 26.Kh3 Qe2 27.Qf3 Qxf3 28.Rxf3 Ne6 29.Ra3 Bxd4 30.Rxa6 b4 31.Rb1 Bc5 32.Ra8+ Kg7 33.Rb8 Nd4 34.Kg2 Ne6 35.h4 Nd4 36.Kf2 Ne6+ 37.Ke2 Nd4+ 38.Kd3 Ne6 39.Kc4 Nf8 40.Rb7 Kf6 41.Re1 Ne6 42.Re2 Kg6

43.Kd5 Kf6 44.Rd2 Ng7 45.Rd3 Nh5 46.Rf3 e6+ 47.Kc6 Kg6 48.Rb5 Nf6 49.Rxc5 dxc5 50.Kxc5 Kh5 51.Kd6 Kg4 52.Rb3 Ne4+ 53.Ke7 Nxg3 54.Kxf7 Kxh4 55.Kxe6 Kg4 56.Ke5 h5

57.Rxb4 h4 58.Rb2 h3 59.Rf2 Nh5 60.Rc2 Nxf4 -

Milicevic,D - Bouvier,J [A00] Keres mem 28th Vancouver (6.11), 19.05.2003

1.g3 d5 2.Bg2 Nc6 3.d4 Bf5 4.Nf3 Qd7 5.h3 f6 6.Nh4 Bg6 7.Nxg6 hxg6 8.f4 e6 9.c3 f5 10.Be3 Nf6 11.Nd2 Ne7 12.Nf3 c6 13.Ne5 Qc7 14.b4 Nc8 15.Nxg6 Rh6 16.Ne5 Nd6 17.g4 Nfe4 18.g5 Rh8 19.Bd2 g6 20.h4 Qh7 21.Rh3 Bg7 22.Qb3 Bxe5 23.dxe5 Nc4 24.Bc1 Qc7 25.e3 Qb6 26.Bf1 Qa6 27.a4 b5 [Black offered a draw.] 28.Ra2 Qb6 29.a5 Qc7 30.Rah2 Rh5 31.Be2 Qh7 32.Bxh5 Qxh5 33.Qd1 Kf7 34.Qxh5 gxh5 35..g6+ Kg7 36.Ke2 Rh8 37.Kd3 Rh6 38.Rg2 Rh8 39.Rh1 Rh6 40.Ke2 Rh8 41.Rd1 Rd8 42..Rd4 a6

43.Rg1 Rh8 44.Rg2 Rh6 45.Kd3 Rh8 46.Rxe4 dxe4+ 47.Kd4?? c5!+ 48.Kxc5 Rc8+ - ½-½



Black has fought for a long time to draw the game (sacrificing the exchange to completely block the position) and now finally achieves his aim through perpetual check. Unfortunately for him, he is actually winning in the final position - it's mate in two!! Moral: play the board, and don't let previous events colour your judgement.

Orlov,G - Teplitsky,Y [E17] Keres mem 28th Vancouver (7.1), 19.05.2003

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.g3 b6 4.Bg2 Bb7 5.0-0 Be7 6.Nc3 0-0 7.Re1 d5 8.cxd5 exd5 9.d4 c5 10.dxc5 bxc5 11.Nh4 Qd7 12.Bg5 Rd8 13.e4 Nxe4 14.Nxe4 dxe4 15.Qxd7 Rxd7 16.Bxe7 Rxe7 17.Nf5 Rd7 18.Rad1 g6 19.Nd6 f5 20.Nxb7 Rxb7 21.f3 a5 22.fxe4 Raa7 23.exf5 Rxb2 24.f6 Kf7 25.Rd6 Rd7 26.Bd5+ Kf8 27.Rxd7 Nxd7 28.Re7 Nxf6 29.Rf7+ Ke8 30.Rxf6 Rd2 31.Bc4 Rd4 32.Rf4 Rd2 33.Rf2 Rd4 34.Rc2 Ke7 35.Kf2 Kd6 36.Be2 a4 37.Rc4 Kd5 38.Rxd4+ Kxd4 39.Ke1 Kc3 40.Kd1 a3 41.Kc1 c4 1-0

Yoos, J - van Riemsdijk, H [B45] Keres mem 28th Vancouver (7.2), 19.05.2003

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Ndb5 Bb4 7.Bf4 Nxe4 8.Qf3 d5 9.Nc7+ Kf8 10.0-0-0 Bxc3 11.bxc3 Rb8 12.Bc4 Bd7 13.Bxd5 exd5 14.Nxd5 Ng5 15.Qe3 Ne6 16.Bd6+ Kg8 17.Bxb8 Qxb8 18.f4 Nf8 19.g3 h5 20.Ne7+ Nxe7 21.Qxe7 Qc8

22.Rd3 Rh6 23.Rhd1 Re6 24.Qg5 Re8 25.Qa5 g6 26.h3 Bxh3 27.Rd8 Qe6 28.Rxe8 Qxe8 29.Qxa7 Qc8 30.Qa5 Ne6 31.Qe5 Bf5 32.Kb2 Qc4 33.Qb8+ Kg7 34.Qxb7 Qe2 35.Rc1 Nc5 36.Qb4 0-1

Griffiths,M - Basanta,G [A57] Keres mem 28th Vancouver (7.3), 19.05.2003

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.cxb5 e6 5.dxe6 fxe6 6.Nf3 d5 7.Nbd2 Bd6 8.g3 a6 9.bxa6 Bxa6 10.Bh3 Qe7 11.0-0 0-0 12.Re1 Nc6 13.e4 dxe4 14.Nxe4 Nxe4 15.Rxe4 e5

16.Bg5 Qc7 17.Be6+ Kh8 18.Nh4 g6 19.Bd5 Nd4 20.Nxg6+ Kg7 21.Rxd4 Rf5 22.Qh5 Rxg5 23.Qxg5 h6 24.Qh5 cxd4 25.Bxa8 Bd3 26.Nh4 Qc2 27.Bd5 Qc7 28.Nf5+ Kf6 29.Nxd6 Bg6 30.Ne8+ Bxe8 31.Qxe8 d3 32.Rd1 Qc2 33.Qf7+ Kg5 34.h4+ 1-0

NATIONAL CHESS CHALLENGE

While the Keres was taking place in Vancouver, twelve of B.C.'s finest juniors were representing their province in the National Chess Challenge finals, held this year in Montreal. This event is team-based, with each province sending a team comprised of one player from each grade. This year's BC team consisted of (in ascending grade order): Tanraj Sohal, Farley Cannon, Connor LaCouvee, Thomas Chow, Elliot Raymer, Evan Raymer, Lo-Ching Chow, Malcolm Bowles, Tanveer Sohal, Jason Lee, Lawrence Bau, and Gavin Atkinson. The team placed fourth in the competition with 55/108, behind Ontario (95), Quebec (76), and Manitoba (59). However, BC players Tanraj Sohal, Farley Cannon, Connor LaCouvee, and Jason Lee received trophies for placing 3rd overall in their respective grades. Also in the winners' circle was Elliot Raymer, who placed first in the Grade 6 and under Bughouse compeition with partner Lucas Eshleman (Manitoba).

Complete results: http://www.chesstalk.com/viewer/tour.htm

BCCF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The BCCF AGM was held between rounds of the Keres tournament on May 18th and 19th. The incoming executive is as follows:

President: Joe Oszvald

Vice Presidents:

Vancouver Island: Lynn Stringer

Interior: Wally Steinke (subject to acceptance by Mr. Steinke)

Northern: John Niksic

Past President: Bruce Harper Secretary/Treasurer: Lyle Craver

Junior Coordinators: Katherine Davies, Stephen Wright

Webmaster: Mark Barnes

Tournament Coordinator: Robert North

Clubs Coordinator: Hugh Long

Publicity Coordinator: Nathan Bauman

Members at Large: Peter Stockhausen, Mike Stanford

If you have any concerns or comments about chess in BC, we encourage you to contact one of these individuals.

30 YEARS AGO . . . by Bruce Harper

As this is a full issue, today I leave with a not-so-simple problem composed by F.M. Simkovitsch:



White to play and draw. The first few moves are pretty easy, but then....

As usual, correct responses will be published in this bulletin, so here's your chance for 15 minutes of fame. The first correct response will receive a free renewal to their bulletin subscription!

YANOFSKY MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT

"Vas Sladek is looking for a chess player to share travel and/or hotel room costs in Winnipeg for the August 29-Sept.1, 2003 FIDE-rated Abe Yanofsky Memorial tournament. Please call 604-787-4553 or e-mail Vas at chessfm@shaw.ca."

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please note the following CHANGE OF VENUE for the weekly Sunday chess tournament in Vancouver. The Tournament is moving from Esquires Coffee House to the Croatian Cultural Centre, 3250 Commercial Drive, Vancouver, B.C. Start time Sundays @1:00 PM. 5 rounds, 30 min. time control. Contact Robert Topic, tel: (604)298-0543, e-mail: bernardtopic@shaw.ca

Individual Chess Matches

Players interested in participating in rated individual chess matches with other players of comparable or dissimilar ratings can contact Luis E. Azmitia at: azmitia@interchange.ubc.ca

Please make sure to include in the e-mail: your name, your rating, type of game preferred (i.e. active), and the rating range of possible opponents. Note that the games will be held in the Vancouver area.

Upcoming junior events:

May 25 Grand Prix #8
June 8 Vancouver Year-end Event

For details visit British Columbia Chess Federation

Solstice Saturday Chess Fever

Date: May 24, June 07, 14, 21 and 28 (No games on May 31) Location: Vancouver Bridge Centre, 2776 East Broadway

Rds: 5

Type: Regular Swiss

Time: Games start at 5:00 p.m. Time Control: 30/90 G/60

Entry Fee: \$25, \$20 for Juniors and Masters

Prizes: \$\$ Ben CFC Rated

Org: James Kerry 778 773 2761 and Luc Poitras (604) 438-0496

UBC Tuesday Night Swiss - June - July 2003

Dates: June 3rd, June 10th, June 17th, June 24th, July 8th (N.B. no chess

July 1st)

Place: UBC Henry Angus Building, Room 421

Rounds: 5 round Swiss System (one round per week) Time: Round 1; a.s.a.p. after 7pm, Rounds 2-5 6:30pm Time Control: 40 moves / 90 minutes, game / 60 minutes

Entry Fee: \$15, \$12 UBC CC members (available at site), \$8 juniors, \$Free to

masters and those joining CFC/BCCF for the first time

Registration: 6:30 - 7 pm before round 1

Prizes: Based on entries (\$\$BEN)

Org & TD: Lyle Craver (604) 980-2040

Misc: half point byes available for rounds 1-4 when requested at least 24 hours before game time (in person or by phone only please - no e-mail bye requests!) Please bring sets, clocks, etc.

Active Chess at the Little Mountain

Dates: Wednesdays June 18, June 25, and July 2nd

Time: 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Location: Little Mountain Neighbourhood House, 3981 Main St. Vancouver (near

King Edward Ave.)
Type: Active Swiss

Rounds: 6 in total, 2 per day

Time Control: 40 minutes per game

Categories: Open CFC rated, U1700 CFC rated, Open non-rated, Junior non-rated Entry fee: Juniors and Seniors always pay \$5. Others pay \$20 before June 18 and \$30 on June 18. Register at the front desk of the Neighbourhood House.

Prizes: 1st Open rated (fritz 7 + digital chess clock)

1st U1700 rated (digital chess clock)

1st Open non-rated and 1st Junior (chess set + free CFC membership)

Medals and cash prizes BEN

Organizers: Eduardo / Luis Azmitia 604 582 5586 e-mail:

azmitia@interchange.ubc.ca Carmen Miranda 604 582 5586 Misc: bring sets and clocks.

Note: The tournament is organized thanks to the support of Little Mountain

Neighbourhood House (http://www.littlemountainneighbourhoodhouse.bc.ca/) and

Chess First! Enterprises (www.northshorechess.com)

Kelowna Summer Fest

Dates: July 5 & 6, 2003 Type: 5 Round Swiss Times: 9/2/7; 9/asap

Place: Sandman Inn Kelowna B.C. 2130 Harvey Ave across from Orchard Park Mall

(250) 860-6409

Entry: \$25, \$20 Seniors, \$15 Juniors Non CFC pay entry + \$12

Prizes: BEN

TD & Org Lynn Stringer Wally Steinke & Ian Higgs wsteinke@sd22.bc.ca ph (250)

545-6677 ianofski@cablelan.net

UBC Tuesday Night Swiss - July - August 2003

Dates: July 15th, July 22nd, July 29th, August 5th, August 12th

Place: UBC Henry Angus Building, Room 421

Rounds: 5 round Swiss System (one round per week) Time: Round 1; a.s.a.p. after 7pm, Rounds 2-5 6:30pm Time Control: 40 moves / 90 minutes, game / 60 minutes

Entry Fee: \$15, \$12 UBC CC members (available at site), \$8 juniors, \$Free to

masters and those joining CFC/BCCF for the first time

Registration: 6:30 - 7 pm before round 1

Prizes: Based on entries (\$\$BEN)

Org & TD: Lyle Craver (604) 980-2040

Misc: half point byes available for rounds 1-4 when requested at least 24 hours before game time (in person or by phone only please - no e-mail bye requests!) Please bring sets, clocks, etc.

BC Open

Dates: August 2-4, 2003

Location: Vancouver Bridge Centre, 2776 East Broadway

Rounds: 6 round Swiss

Times: 10 / 4; 10 / 4; 10 / asap

Time Control: 40 moves / 120 minutes, game / 60 minutes Entry Fee: \$30, \$20 for masters, juniors, and seniors

Registration: 9:30 - 9:50 am before round 1

Prizes: Based on entries (\$\$BEN)

TD: Stephen Wright

Misc: half point byes available for rounds 1-5.

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