BCCF E-MAIL BULLETIN #27

With this issue the Bulletin enters its second year of publication. While I enjoy writing, I will repeat what I said in the very first issue: much of the content is (or should be) up to you! You are encouraged to submit news, reports, games, or other items you wish to share with your fellow players - no reasonable submission refused! Tournament directors and organizers, this is your tournament forum - feel free to make use of it!

To subscribe, send an e-mail to me (N.B. my new address: swright2@telus.net) or sign up via the BCCF webpage (British Columbia Chess Federation); if you no longer wish to receive this bulletin, just let me know.

Stephen Wright

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NEW TITLES

At its meeting in Abuja, Nigeria, 15-18 August 2003, the FIDE 2nd Quarter Presidential Board Meeting awarded the title of International Arbiter to Mark Barnes, Lyle Craver, and Lynn Stringer. Congratulations to all!!

CHALLENGE THE MASTERS: MULTI-MASTER SIMUL TOURNAMENT

Join fellow chess enthusiasts on Sunday, Sept 7, 2003 at the Vancouver Bridge Centre for a full day of entertainment by challenging three teams of masters in a 3-round simultaneous tournament. Here's your chance to play against teams consisting of GM Duncan Suttles, FM Oliver Schulte, FM Jack Yoos, FM Bruce Harper, Fanhao Meng, Roman Jiganchine, Luc Poitras and other masters/experts.

There will be one simul-giver for every ten challengers. Each player will play three games against three different teams of masters/experts. The teams of masters/experts may divide up their task in any manner they choose: one taking some boards, another taking other boards; alternating moves; trading boards; etc.

This is a fundraising event: the intent is to raise money to help bring titled players to the 2005 Elod Macskasy Memorial tournament, and thereby provide an opportunity for some of our local players to make IM and GM norms.

The event is open to all, but limited to the first 40 entrants: 19 players have already preregistered. To reserve your spot, contact Richard Reid (604) 589-4214, rreid@smartt.com, or Bruce Harper, bruce54321@shaw.ca [For further details, see the tournament listings below]

LABOUR DAY OPEN by Mike Stanford

The Labour Day Open is an annual event in Victoria held on, well, Labour Day weekend. This year it attracted 31 chess enthusiasts, with a nice # of players in each rating category.

Harry Moore coasted into first place with 2 draws in the last 2 rounds, after having done all the work required in the first 2 days. He played really strong chess beating Michael Yip in style with an attack that came 'out of the blue' (I think those were his words), and grinding a win out vs. Howard Wu. I fully expect him to be playing this well (if not better) a month from now when the BC Closed comes to town during the Thanksgiving weekend.

Second place went to myself and Michael Yip. I recovered from my unfortunate day 1 result where I drew Ron Sauve, with draws vs. Dan Scoones and Harry Moore, and defeating Howard Wu in the last round. But maybe my draw vs. Ron was the best thing I could've asked for, since I probably should've lost that game (much worse out of the opening). Michael Yip played some good chess, beating most of the lower rated players surprisingly quickly. His only real setback (other than the loss vs. Harry), was his draw against Manfrei. Manfrei (who tied for first in the U2000, and drew Harry in the last round), played some very entertaining chess against Michael, sacking a piece early on and keeping the intitiative for most of the game. Unfortunately he was unable to convert his eventual material advantage, and drew. So maybe it wasn't really a setback for Michael...

James Chan and Greg Churchill each tied for first with Manfrei for the U2000 prize. Both Greg and James drew Dan Scoones on the last day. They both played some pretty strong chess, James gave Harry a run for his money in their game, but unfortunately misplayed the ending and missed a draw by a nose.

Evan and Elliot Raymer tied for first for the U1500 prize. Both played some strong games, and weak games... can't expect anything more from 2 quickly improving juniors. Evan will be going to Greece for the World Youth Chess Championships. I wish him all the best, and expect to see some good results! But no pressure ;).

AMERICAN CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Canadian champion (and former B.C. resident!) Pascal Charbonneau travelled to Buenos Aires to participate in the second American Continental Championship. Ranked 45th in a field of 151, he had an amazing tournament to finish in a tie for third place! Alexander Goldin and Giovanni Vescovi scored 8.5/11 to win the event; Charbonneau was a half-point back, tied with Ivan Morovic, Hikaru Nakamura, Lazaro Bruzon, Alex Onischuk, and Yuri Shulman. Other notables in the field included Gulko, Kudrin, Shabalov, Gurevich, Kaidanov, Wojtkiewicz, Nogueiras, Vera . . .

Pascal already qualifies for the next FIDE World Championship by virtue of being Canadian champion, but his 8/11 score gave him a performance rating of 2659 and a 2nd GM norm! Congratulations, Pascal!

[Unfortunately the other scheduled Canadian participant, Alexandre LeSiege, was a victim of the East coast blackout, as he was unable to get a flight to the tournament.]

Charbonneau,P (2442) - Shulman,Y (2559) [C02] II American Continental Buenos Aires ARG (8), 26.08.2003

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Bd7 6.a3 a5 7.Be2 a4 8.0-0 Nc6 9.Bd3 Na5 10.Bc2 Nc4 11.Ra2 Ne7 12.Re1 Nc6 13.Kh1 Be7 14.Nbd2 Nxd2 15.Bxd2 cxd4 16.cxd4 0-0 17.Bc3 Qa7 18.h4 b5 19.Qd3 g6 20.Qd2 Rfb8 21.Raa1 b4 22.axb4 Nxb4 23.Bb1 Nc6 24.Qf4 Na5 25.Ng5 Rf8 26.h5 Nb3 27.Ra2 f6 28.Nh3 g5 29.Qg3 Kh8 30.exf6 Rxf6 31.Nxg5 Qb8 32.Qe3 Bd6 33.g3 Qg8 34.Nxh7 Rf7 35.Ng5 Rf6 36.Nf3 Qg4 37.Ne5 Qh3+ 38.Kg1 Rg8 39.Nf7+ Kg7 40.Nxd6 Qxh5 41.Qe5 Qg4 42.Be4 Rh8 43.Bg2 Qh3+ Rh5 44.Qe2 Qxe2 45.Rxe2 1-0

Charbonneau, P (2442) - Milos, G (2592) [B12] II American Continental Buenos Aires ARG (10), 28.08.2003

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.Nc3 e6 5.g4 Bg6 6.Nge2 c5 7.Be3 Nd7 8.dxc5 Bxc5 9.Bxc5 Nxc5 10.f4 Ne7 11.Qd2 Rc8 12.Bg2 0-0 13.h4 h5 14.f5 exf5 15.gxf5 Bxf5 16.0-0-0 Ne6 17.Rhf1 Bg6 18.Qe3 Nf5 19.Qh3 Nxh4 20.Bxd5 Qg5+ 21.Kb1 Nf5 22.Rg1 Qh4 23.Qf3 Ne7 24.Bxe6 fxe6 25.Qxb7 Rcd8 26.Rd6 Bf5 27.a3 Ng6 28.Ng3 Bg4 29.Qe4 Qg5 30.Nxh5 Nxe5 31.Rxd8 Rxd8 32.Nf4 Qf5 33.Qe3 Nc4 34.Qg3 Rd2 35.Nd3 Rxd3

Qg5 30.Nxh5 Nxe5 31.Rxd8 Rxd8 32.Nf4 Qf5 33.Qe3 Nc4 34.Qg3 Rd2 35.Nd3 Rxd3 36.cxd3 Ne5 37.Ka1 1-0

For full details and more games, see The Week in Chess by Mark Crowther

2nd LITTLE MOUNTAIN ACTIVE by Eduardo Azmitia

The "II Little Mountain Active" took place on the Wednesday nights of August 20 and 27. More than 16 players participated in the two-day Swiss tournament, with Justin Hardy winning convincingly with a score of 4.5 points out of a possible 5.

The best ranked of the "Under 1700" was Andrey Kostin, who had a magnificent performance. He was able to obtain draws from a master and from several other

players that are much higher rated than he was. The best junior was Lucas Davies, who also had a very good tournament. He conceded defeat only once and was always in the race for first place.

Several prizes were distributed; for instance, Justin Hardy walked away with Fritz 7 and Andrey Kostin got a digital chess clock. Please visit our sponsor Chess First! Enterprises at (www.northshorechess.com), as it always kindly donates many prizes (i.e. Fritz 7) and gives significant discounts.

On behalf of the staff at Little Mountain Neighbourhood House, I would like to thank all the players for their participation and excellent deportment. We hope to see you in the next event. We wish all the best to Justin Hardy in his long trip to Asia, and appreciate that he came to play the night before his departure.

1st FRIDAY NIGHT CHESS TOURNAMENT by Eduardo Azmitia

This event was held at the Croatian Cultural Centre during most of July 2003. It consisted of a six-player round robin and was hosted by the Croatian Chess Club. The undisputed winner was top seed Alejandro Diaz, who won all of his games with his characteristic solid and patient style of play.

The remaining positions were highly contested; Juni Caluza with his reliable Caro-Kann defence managed to obtain by the last round an edge of half a point over the rest and clenched to the second post with 2.5 points.

Richard Gaulin, who tied for the third place with James Taylor, played the most exciting and daring chess of the tournament. For instance, against Diaz and Azmitia Gaulin played very aggressive Sicilians that involved multiple sacrifices and reached nerve-breaking positions, to the delight of the spectators.

Cross-table: 1 Friday Night at Croatian Centre

BEQO ANNOTATES

Nick Beqo has submitted notes to one of his games from the recent Mad Rapid tournament, held August 23:

Wang, Y - Beqo, B [C55] Mad Rapid Vancouver, 23.08.2003

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Nf6 4.d3 Be7 5.c3 0 Çô0 6.0 Çô0 d6?! 7.h3 Na5 8.Bb3?! Normally, white keeps this bishop in the game by 8.Bb5 a6 9.Ba4 b5 10.Bc2 c5 with a Ruy Lopez position. 8...Nxb3 9.axb3 Re8 I considered 9...Nh5 with the idea

f5, but I did not like the position after 10.Nxe5. As a matter of fact, Black has a better position after 10...dxe5 11.Qxh5 Qxd3 12.Qxe5 Bd6 13.Qd4 Bh2+! 14.Kxh2 Qxf1 15.Nd2 Qe2-/+ 16.Rxa7? Rxa7 17.Qxa7 Qe1 Cô+; The other line I considered was 9...h6 with the idea Nh7 and f5, but then I realized that 10.Be3 Nh7 11.d4 would give white a good game in the centre. On the other hand, developing with 9...Be6 10.Ng5 Bd7 11.f4 would probably give white some initiative. 10.Bg5 h6?! not necessary; better is10...Be6. 11.Be3 After 11.Bh4 I had planned 11...g5 (11...Nh5 12.Bxe7 Qxe7 13.Nbd2 Nf4=+) 12.Bg3 Nh5 13.Bh2 Nf4.11...a6?! waste of time. 11...d5!? 12.Rxa7 [12.exd5 Nxd5 (12...Oxd5) 13.Nxe5 Nxe3 14.fxe3 Bf6=+; 12.Nxe5 Bd6 13.f4 dxe4 14.dxe4 Nxe4; 12.Bxa7? Bc5 Cô+;]12...Rxa7 13.Bxa7 b6 14.Nxe5 Bb7 15.Nd2 Qa8 16.Qa1 dxe4-/+ 12.Nbd2 Bf8 13.Ne1?! d5=+ 14.Nc2 Be6 15.f4?! I think this is not a good move for white. Opening the position favours the side that has the bishop pair. 15...exf4 16.Bxf4 dxe4 17.dxe4 Qd3?! Here I missed: 17...Nxe4! 18.Nxe4 Qxd1 19.Nf6+ gxf6 20.Raxd1 Bxb3 21.Rd2 c6-/+ 18.Rf3 Bc5+ 19.Kh2 [19.Kh1] 19...Qd8 [19...Qd7] 20.Qf1 Nh5 21.Rd3 Qe7 22.Nd4

Nxf4 23.Qxf4 Rad8 24.N2f3 Ba7 I noticed I could win a pawn with 24...Bxb3 but I did not like complications after 25.Nf5. 25.Rad1 c5 26.Nxe6 Rxd3 27.Rxd3 Bb8 28.e5 Qxe6 29.Re3 f6?! During the game I considered 29...Qxb3 winning a pawn and threatening another one, but I do not know why I changed my mind and continued to play according to my previous plan of pressuring along h2-b8 diagonal. 30.Qe4 fxe5? Even after playing so many mistakes, my advantage never went away. However, the last mistake is unforgivable. How can I lock in my beautiful bishop on b8 with my own pawn? [30...Bxe5+ wins, as my opponent mentioned after the game as well. 31.Nxe5 (31.Kh1 Qxb3) 31...Qxe5+ 32.Qxe5 Rxe5 Çô+; even 30...Qxb3 was enough to win the game. 31.c4 Black is still better but in time trouble I failed to win this position and did not even write the moves down. Cô

INTRODUCING BCBASE, the British Columbia game database

The BCCF website (British Columbia Chess Federation) now carries a database

of games, currently over 8300 (with no doubles, as far as I know), either played in British Columbia or by B.C. players elsewhere in the world. These have been assembled from various sources: other databases, published materials (magazines, newspaper columns, books), and scoresheets, both recent (the latest Keres tournaments and BC Championships) and historical (with special thanks to Max Enke/the BC Archives, Miervaldis Jursevskis, the family of Lionel Joyner, Brian Potter, David Hladek, Fred Schulz, and Lynn Stringer).

Generally I have only included games by players while they were resident in B.C.; thus the games for Dave Ross and Gordon Taylor only cover the period when they actually lived here. I have made exceptions for some stronger players when the additional games give a fuller perspective on their playing careers.

For example, included are games by Elod Macskasy and Miervaldis Jursevskis before they came to Canada, Lionel Joyner before he came to B.C., and Peter Biyiasas after he left the country.

The database is split into two sections (largely to avoid the 8,000 game limit on CBLight), with the dividing line being the 1990 B.C. Championship. The earlier section, BCHIST, is intended as a historical anthology, including as it does the playing careers of Macskasy, Suttles and Biyiasas; the second section, BCBASE, covers from 1990 to the present. My apologies to those of you whose playing careers straddle the two sections, but you can always reconfigure the database to your liking after download.

This collection is not definitive, but is very much a work in progress there are still many published games that I have not yet had the time to enter. Supplements of new games will be provided on a regular basis (in conjunction with the games in the e-mail Bulletin), and the database itself will be periodically updated. If readers notice errors or have corrections, or would like to contribute their own games to the collection, please contact me: Stephen Wright, swright2@telus.net

THIRTY YEARS AGO . . . by Bruce Harper

Tradition is important in chess, and B.C.'s chess traditions rank with the best of them. Today's game is from the Labour Day Open, which was held in Victoria, just as it always has been. Grandmaster Duncan Suttles, coming off wins in the Canadian and U.S. Opens, won the Victoria tournament as well - showing a common touch which many of his peers would do well to emulate. How many Grandmasters play in a local Swiss, just for fun?

And, proving that little has changed, Duncan will be among the players taking part in the innovative multi-master simultaneous to be held at the Bridge Centre on Sunday, September 7, 2003 (see the write up elsewhere in this issue).

But today's game is between what were then two of B.C.'s most promising juniors. Glenn Morin, who still lives in Victoria and plays occasionally, was white against Jeff Reeve. The players were 14 years old at the time.

Morin,G - Reeve,J [A37] Labour Day op Victoria (2), 01.09.1973

1.Nf3 c5 2.g3 Nc6 3.c4 g6 4.Nc3 Bg7 5.Bg2 e6 6.0-0 Nge7 7.d3 0-0 8.Bd2 d5

Glenn's super-positional opening reflects my baleful influence, but as will soon be apparent, he also knows how to attack. As far as opening theory is concerned, Petrosian and Larsen have played this position for White - and achieved little. 9.Rb1 dxc4?!

This is the novelty, and it's a bad one. There's no reason to exchange and lots of reasons not to. Just 9...b6 is fine for Black.

10.dxc4 b6 11.Qc1 Bb7 12.Rd1 a6

Black is already having to make moves he would rather avoid.

13.Bh6 Qc7 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Ne4 Nb4?

The losing move. Black must have just overlooked White's reply.

16.Qc3+ Kh6 17.g4 Bxe4 18.g5+ Kh5 19.Qg7 1-0

A sudden and rather gruesome end to what looked to be a long, positional game. You just never know...

UPCOMING EVENTS

New this time is the Kelowna Harvest Fest; for full details of all upcoming events, see the tournament listings at British Columbia Chess Federation

Junior Events

The new school year has started and a full season of junior events await:

- Sept 21 Grand Prix #1, Vancouver
- Sept 21 Island Junior Open #1, Victoria
- Sept 28 Girl's Championship, Crescent Beach
- Oct 12 Island Junior Open #2, Victoria
- Oct 18 Junior Open, Surrey
- Oct 19 Grand Prix #2, Vancouver
- Nov 7-9 BC Junior Championship, Vancouver
- Nov 16 Island Junior Open #3, Victoria
- Nov 23 Grand Prix #3, Vancouver
- Dec 6 BC WA Match, BCIT

For full details see British Columbia Chess Federation or Greater Victoria Junior Chess

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.

Nick Beqo's Sunday Tournaments

Practice your openings and improve your chess, by playing in a quiet and beautiful park!

You get to know the pairings one day before, so you can study your opponents, and your home preparations will surprise us! Games, often annotated by players or masters, will be available.

Dates: Every Sunday (sunny or rainy), 12:00PM - 6:00PM Entry Fee: \$5.00 Free entry for the highest rated player!

Prizes: 1st - \$30.00 2nd - \$20.00.

Location: Bear Creek Park, Surrey, B.C. The covered area on 140th Street side. The park is between King George Hwy, 140th Street, 88th Ave & 84th Ave.

To get there, you can take a bus from King George skytrain station.

Participants and pairings: based on FIDE or CFC ELO active rating system. Time control: G15

Rounds: 11 Round Robin. 30min. break after the 6th round (3:00-3:30) Sponsors: none (so far). All sponsors will be advertised on this website. Registrations: via e-mail at: nickbeqo@hotmail.com Dead line: Friday 11:00 PM. Bring your own chess set, and clock.

Note:

a) Sportsmanship is required. No draw offers or draw claims, unless DEAD DRAW!

This rule is not only because it is a speed chess tournament, but also because there would be no room for pre-arrangements in order to split the prize. It will be unfair to other players.

b) Rated events require at least 25 min time control. This will reduce both, the number of players for a round robin-event, and also the prizes, since a part of entry fees has to go to Federation. Depends on the number of players, I might run two events at the same time:

1. unrated tournament with 12 players, and 15 min time control.

2. rated tournament with 6 players, and 25 min time control.

c) I am organizing this tournament in order to help chess players, especially

in Fraser Valley, as it is too far to play in Croatian Center or Vancouver

Bridge Center. Therefore, chess players are going to make the tournament rules,

not me. I am open to suggestions and make the respective changes.

Remember: 100% of the entry fees go to prizes!

II Friday Night Chess at the Croatian

Hosted by the Croatian Chess Club

DATES: August 8 + each Friday thereafter

TIME: 7:00 P.M

PLACE: Croatian Cultural Centre 3250 Commercial Drive Vancouver Entrance through the Members Lounge or Restaurant

ENTRY FEE: Juniors and Seniors \$5; others \$10; free for members joining the CFC*

TOURNAMENT TYPE: Round Robin or Double RR depending on entries. A Maximum of

10 Rounds. Players grouped according to CFC rating. 90 min / 30 moves + 1hour SD $\,$

PRIZES: Cash prizes based on entries

ORGANIZERS: Eduardo / Luis Azmitia Tel: 604- 582-5586Robert Topic MISC: Bring clocks and sets if possible. Byes available. Games missed can be played during the week at convenience of players. Late entrants welcome. *Visit Chess Federation of Canada for details of membership to the Chess Federation of Canada.

Challenge the Masters Multi-Master Simul Tournament (A 2005 Elod Macskasy Memorial Fundraising Event)

Date: September 7, 2003

Location: Vancouver Bridge Center, 2776 East Broadway (Broadway and Kaslo) Registration: Sept 7, 9:00-9:30 am

Pre-registration: Deadline for pre-registration, Sept 1, 2003

Format: Three-round simultaneous.

Time Control 60 minutes for each side, with one-minute increments for the master teams.

Rounds: Round 1: 10:00 am; Round 2: 1:00 pm; Round 3: ASAP.

Entry fee: \$20 per adult. \$15 for juniors. Pre-register to guarantee a spot - participation will be limited to the first 40 registrants.

Equipment: scoresheets will be provided. Please bring set, and digital clock, if you have one.

Information: contact Richard Reid, (604) 589-4214, rreid@smartt.com NOTE: This fundraising event is open but limited to 40 entrants.

Culture Jam I Active

Date: Saturday September 13.2003 Location: Sprott-Shaw College, 2750 Rupert Street, Vancouver, BC Rds: 5 Type: Regular 6-player Round Robin, CFC-rated Time: 10 am start Time control: G 30 Entry Fee: \$15

Prizes: 1st ChessBase CD; ALL players receive special prizes

TD/Reg: Vas Sladek, 604-787-4553, chessfm@shaw.ca

Notes: interested players must pre-register by phone or e-mail by September

1, no onsite registration; digital chess clocks and chess sets provided, CFC membership or \$10 event fee required;

Sponsored by: Adbusters Media Foundation and Chess First! Enterprises, www.northshorechess.com

3rd. Little Mountain Active Chess Tournament (Stage 1 of the Fall Grand-Prix)

Dates: Wednesdays September 17 & 24 Time: 7:00 P.M (registration at 6:45 P.M.) Place: Little Mountain Neighbourhood House, 3981Main St. Vancouver. (near King Edward Ave.) Entry Fee: \$3 non rated section; \$10 rated section. Juniors and Seniors always \$5. Special discounts for families. TOURNAMENT TYPE: 6 rounds; 30G; Swiss pairings. CATEGORIES: I) Open CFC rated* (open to any player with CFC rating and membership) II) Open non-rated (no restrictions) III) Junior rated GRAND PRIX PRIZES: Trophies for 1st, 2nd, 3rd places of Open rated and U1700. Medals for 1st non-rated and for best juniors. Plus special prizes such as chess software, clocks, sets and gift certificates (Chess First! Enterprises). TOURNAMENT PRIZES: 1st Place of each category gets a free entry for a subsequent stage of the Fall Grand Prix, and a award certificate. Organizers: Eduardo / Luis Azmitia Tel: 604-582-5586 Carmen Miranda Tel: 604- 879- 7104 Misc: Bring clocks and sets if possible. Note: The tournament is organized thanks to the support of Little Mountain Neighbourhood House (http://www.littlemountainneighbourhoodho use.bc.ca/) and Chess First! Enterprises (www.northshorechess.com) *Visit (www.chess.ca) for details of membership to the Chess Federation of Canada.

All Juniors U1500 Little Mountain Chess Tournament

DATES: Monday September 22 & 29 TIME: 7:00 P.M (registration at 6:45 P.M.) PLACE: Little Mountain Neighbourhood House, 3981 Main St. Vancouver. (near King Edward Ave.) ENTRY FEE: \$5.00 TOURNAMENT TYPE: 4-5 rounds; 25 min. game; Swiss pairings. CATEGORIES: I) U1500 II) U800 PRIZES: Special prizes for all participants. ORGANIZERS: Eduardo / Luis Azmitia Tel: 604- 582-5586Carmen Miranda Tel: 604-879- 7104 MISC: Bring clocks and sets if possible. The tournament is organized thanks to the support of Little Mountain Neighbourhood House (www.littlemountainneighbourhoodhouse.bc.ca) & Chess First! Enterprises(www.northshorechess.com) *Visit (www.chess.ca) for details of membership to the Chess Federation of Canada.

Conquest of Cool FIDE Invitational

Date: September 26-28, 2003 Place: Sprott-Shaw College, 2750 Rupert Street, Vancouver, BC Rds: 5 Type: Regular closed 6-player RR, FIDE & CFC rated Times: 6:30pm/10am, 3:30 pm/10am, ASAP TC: 120+30 EF: \$50 FIDE rated; \$80 FIDE unrated, minimum CFC rating 2000 Prizes: 1st \$150 plus ChessBase CD prize Reg: interested FIDE-rated players please e-mail TD/Org:Vas Sladek, chessfm@shaw.ca or call 604-787-4553, 604-982-0611, players must pre-register by September 21, 2003, NO onsite registrations. Misc: CFC membership required, no smoking, chess sets and clocks provided Sponsors: Chess First! Enterprises www.northshorechess.com

Culture Jam II Active

Date: Saturday October 4.2003 Location: Sprott-Shaw College, 2750 Rupert Street, Vancouver, BC Rds: 5 Type: Regular 6-player Round Robin, CFC-rated Time: 10 am start Time control: G 30 Entry Fee: \$15 Prizes: 1st ChessBase CD; ALL players receive special prizes TD/Reg: Vas Sladek, 604-787-4553, chessfm@shaw.ca Notes: interested players must pre-register by phone or e-mail by October 1, no onsite registration; digital chess clocks and chess sets provided, CFC membership or \$10 event fee required; Sponsored by: Adbusters Media Foundation and Chess First! Enterprises, www.northshorechess.com

BC Championship

DATE: October 11-13 SITE: UVic, H&S Development Bldg. RATING: Must be over 2000 ENTRY FEE: \$35.00 CONTACT: L. Stringer 658-5207 or lynnstringer@shaw.ca

4th. Little Mountain Active Chess Tournament (Stage 2 of the Fall Grand-Prix)

Dates: Wednesdays October 15 & 22 Details: see September 17 Active

Kelowna Harvest Fest Chess Tournament 2003

[CFC Rated] Site: Boys and Girls Club 1633 Richter St., Kelowna BC Dates: October 18-19, 2003 Entry Fee for Open: \$25.00, \$20.00 Srs. \$15.00 Juniors (under 18 as of Oct 18th/03 and Seniors over 65.) Entry Fee for Junior Tournament: \$ 5.00 Type: 5 Rd. Swiss Open Section also 4 round unrated Junior Tournament Saturday Oct 18th Time Control: 30 moves / 1.5hrs, SD / 1hr Open; game in one hour for Junior Tournament Rounds: Saturday 9:00a.m. and 2:00p.m., and 7:00p.m.; Sunday 10:00a.m. and 3:00p.m or ASAP. Registration: 8am Oct 18th or by contacting Grant Rice Contact: Grant Rice at 250-979-0009 or email ridebike@okanagan.net Prize Fund: Entry Fees less expenses returned to prize fund. Prizes for Junior Tournament included in expenses Please bring sets and clocks if possible.

Stop the Machine FIDE Invitational

Date: October 24-26, 2003 Place: Sprott-Shaw College, 2750 Rupert Street, Vancouver, BC Rds: 5 Type: Regular closed 6-player RR, FIDE & CFC rated Times: 6:30pm/10am, 3:30 pm/10am, ASAP TC: 120+30 EF: \$50 FIDE rated; \$80 FIDE unrated, minimum CFC rating 2000 Prizes: 1st \$150 plus ChessBase CD prize Reg: interested FIDE-rated players please e-mail TD/Org:Vas Sladek, chessfm@shaw.ca or call 604-787-4553, 604-982-0611, players must pre-register by October 19, NO onsite registrations. Misc: CFC membership required, no smoking, chess sets and clocks provided Sponsors: Chess First! Enterprises www.northshorechess.com 5th. Little Mountain Active Chess Tournament (Stage 3 of the Fall Grand-Prix)

Dates: Wednesdays November 19 & 26 Details: see September 17 Active

Kitsilano Beach FIDE Invitational

Date: Saturday November 28-30, 2003 Details to be announced.

6th. Little Mountain Active Chess Tournament (Stage 4 -final- of the Fall Grand-Prix)

Dates: Wednesdays December 10 & 17 Details: see September 17 Active

Kamloops Grand Prix 2004

Details: see the BCCF website

Chess First! FIDE Invitational

Date: April 8-12, 2004 Type: Regular closed 10-player RR, FIDE & CFC rated Reg: interested FIDE-rated players please e-mail TD/Org:Vas Sladek, chessfm@shaw.ca or call 604-787-4553, 604-982-0611, players must pre-register by April 1, 2004, NO onsite registrations. (Details coming later.)