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Lots of games this time, hope you enjoy them. As usual, submissions are encouraged and most welcome; thanks to all who contributed to this issue. To subscribe, send me an e-mail (swright2@telus.net) or sign up via the BCCF webpage (www.chess.bc.ca); if you no longer wish to receive this bulletin, just let me know.

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KERES MEMORIAL AND WESTERN CANADIAN OPEN
Advance entries are now being taken for the 29th PAUL KERES MEMORIAL (www.keresmemorial.com) and WESTERN CANADIAN OPEN (www.chessbc.com - the tournament website has been completely redesigned and much content added). The BCCF invites you to be among the first to register for these very significant tournaments.
PLAY THE B.C. CHAMPION!
The www.chessbc.com website is currently conducting an online game between site visitors and B.C. Champion Jack Yoos.To play, simply visit the site and vote for the move of your choice - the move receiving the most votes will be played in the game.
PLAY THE B.C. WOMEN'S CHAMPION!
On December 17 at 8:00 pm Valentina Goutor (BC Women's Champion 2003) will be giving a simul for juniors U1500 at Little Mountain Neighbourhood House, 3981 Main St., Vancouver (near King Edward Ave.), 2 games for \$3.00.A ChessBase training CD or chess set will go to the first player to beat or, failing that, draw, or failing that, hold out the longest against Valentina (this only applies to the first round of games).

"JUNIOR" BUGHOUSE QUALIFIER by Bruce Harper

The B.C. Junior Bug Championship Qualifier On Sunday, December 7, 2003, attracted 23 players and was hotly contested. Four players qualified for the B.C. Junior Bug Championship Finals: Gavin Atkinson (25.5), Bruce Harper (24), Jack Yoos and Fanhao Meng (22). Tyler Johnson, Valentina Goutor and Lucas and Noam Davies scored 21 points. The maximum possible score was 36.

Gavin Atkinson and Bruce Harper thus will defend their Co-Championship from the previous year, while Jack Yoos (current B.C. Chess Champion) and Fanhao Meng (runner up in the 2003 B.C. Chess Championship) will have a shot at the most prestigious provincial title. Of special note was Fanhao's final round 6:0 score, which lifted him out of the pack.

The tournament was ably directed by Ben Daswani, with the traditional player tantrum being gotten out of the way in the very first round. Well done!

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B.C. - WASHINGTON MATCHES

ADULT

December 6 saw the renewal of a tradition which extends well back into the last century the annual B.C. - Washington adult chess match. The last such meeting was in 1976, but the main series of matches occurred earlier, from 1944 to 1963. The largest of these events (1947) involved some 166 players on 83 boards, played at the Peace Arch at the U.S. - Canada border. Last Saturday's meeting was much more modest in scope (20 players in total), but was no less competititive for that. Despite being significantly outrated on all boards, the Washington players produced a number of upsets, and the match hung in the balance until Brian McLaren and Dragoljub Milicevic were finally able to grind-out endgame wins, tipping the match score decisively in B.C.'s favour:

B.C. - Washington6-4

- 1. Oliver Schulte (2435) Elliott Neff (2263) 0.5-0.5
- 2. Jack Yoos (2426) Nat Koons (2207) 1-0
- 3. Harry Moore (2276) Curt Collyer (2171) 0-1
- 4. Brian McLaren (2284) Fred Kleist (2108) 1-0
- 5. Dan Scoones (2287) Mike Franett (2056) 0-1
- 6. Laszlo Tegzes (2218) Mike Schemm (1998) 0-1
- 7. Mike Stanford (2209) Paul Zurybida (2001) 1-0
- 8. Eduardo Moura (2109) Geoffrey Gale (1997) 0.5-0.5
- 9. Jesse Bouvier (2168) Meir Lakhovsky (1929) 1-0
- 10. Dragoljub Milicevic (2189) Elston Cloy (1859) 1-0

[B.C. had White on the odd-numbered boards]

Apart from the players, many thanks are also due to organizers Len Molden (B.C.) and Duane Polich (Washington) for setting the event up, TDs Lynn Stringer and Mark Barnes, B.C. Captain Joe Oszvald, and the K-12 Chess Association (for providing a playing site). Plans are already in progress for next year's event!

[Watch the BCCF site www.chess.bc.ca for a more complete report, coming soon]

Many thanks to the players who provided annotations to their games: Schulte,O - Neff,E [C11] BC - WA match Burnaby, 06.12.2003 [Schulte]

1.e4 e6 2.Nc3 d5 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5.d4 c5 6.dxc5 Nc6 7.Bf4 Bxc5 8.Bd3 f6 9.exf6 Nxf6 10.0-0 0-0 11.Bg3?! [11.Ne5] 11...Nh5!? 12.Bh4 Be7 13.Bxe7 [13.Ng5!? Nf6 14.f4] 13...Qxe7 14.Qd2 [14.Bb5!?] 14...Nf4 15.Rae1 Qf6 [Threatens 16...Nxg2.] 16.Qd1 [White offered a draw; 16...Kh8 17. Bb5!?; 16...a6 17. Nd2 e5 18. f3 Be6 19. g3 Nxd3 20. cxd3 Rad8 21. Nb3 =+]-

Koons,N - Yoos,J [E92] BC - WA match Burnaby, 06.12.2003 [Yoos]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 In an attempt to tone down my bridge-burning style, in recent years I have pretty well stopped playing the King's Indian against masters. However, since I was wanting to go all out for a win, I decided to bring it out again. 4.e4 d6 5.Nf3 0-0 6.Be2 e5 7.Be3 Yawn. [7.0-0 Nc6 8.d5 Ne7 is the fun stuff.] 7...c6 [7...Ng4 is the main line. I always find these ... Ng4, Bg5 lines clumsy for black.; 7... Nbd7 & 7...Na6 are quiet maneuvering lines, which can be played against the normal 7.0-0 also. I used to play Na6 all the time when I was too lazy to learn the race lines with Nc6.; 7...h6!? with the idea that ...Ng4 cannot be met by Bg5.; 7...Nc6? is not right now as since white has not castled, black has nothing to race for. Also in the race, the Be3/Nd2 combination is the most deadly combination for white to have. By normal move orders this combination is not possible. 8.d5 Ne7 9.Nd2 | 8.d5 Na6!? This is an unusual move. I thought of it over the board, but later I found out that Topalov has tried it before. I am not as worried about the Be3/Nd2 combination here as with ...c6 and ...Na6 I have more options on the queenside. [8...Ng4 9.Bg5 f6 10.Bh4 Na6 is the main line which has been played a gazillion times before.] 9.Nd2 Ne8 10.g4 This thematic move was new according to my meagre database. This move of course is a big commitment. White makes ... f5 more problematic, but at the same time justifies black to play more in other parts of the board as the white king has lost his natural home. [San Segundo-Topalov, Madrid 1996 continued... 10.0-0 f5 11.f3 f4 12.Bf2 c5 13.a3 b6 14.b4 h5 and a race ensues which in my opinion heavily favours black as white will not break open the queenside anytime soon.; 10.dxc6 bxc6 11.0-0 c5!? 12.a3 Nec7 13.Rb1 Ne6 14.Nd5 Nb8 15.b4 Nc6 And Black was very comfortable in Kiselev-Hait, Moscow 1996] 10...Kh8 I guess I could have played ...f5 right away, but I wanted to see white's intentions first. Black is only compelled to play ... f5 after white plays h4 because if white gets in h5, then black will have great difficulty ever playing f5.

[10...Qh4 This was the first thing that popped into my head. I was daydreaming about mate on f2. But... 11.Rg1 ruined my optimism. 11...Qxh2 12.Nf3 Qh3 13.Bf1] 11.Bd3 This does not seem right to me. The bishop was fine where it was. Now it will be a target. [11.h4] 11...Nc5 12.Bc2 cxd5 13.cxd5 [13.Nxd5 Ne6] 13...a5 14.Qe2 b6 [14...f5 15.gxf5 gxf5 16.exf5 Bxf5 17.Bxf5 Rxf5 18.Bxc5 dxc5 19.Nde4 and although I am not sure as it is very loose, I think I like white.; 14...b5!? 15.Bxc5 b4 16.Na4 dxc5 17.Nxc5 Qc7 18.Qe3 Bxg4] 15.h4 Ba6 Maybe this is too fancy. I had my doubts afterward. [15...f5 16.h5! (16.gxf5 gxf5 17.exf5 Bxf5 and black is very comfortable.) 16...fxg4!? (16...f4 17.Bxc5 bxc5 18.hxg6 h6 unclear) 17.hxg6 h6! 18.Bxh6 Bxh6 19.Rxh6+ Kg7 20.Qe3 Rf4] 16.Qf3 f5 It was now or never. "Never" was a very reasonable choice since black now has ample play on the queenside. "Now" is actually a very risky choice. 17.gxf5 gxf5 18.exf5 Qd7 [18...Qc8; 18...b5!?] 19.Bg5 Rc8 20.a4 [20.0-0-0 b5 with counterplay 20...Nf6 With the idea of playing ...e4 to open the diagonal. 21.Bxf6 Rxf6 22.Kd1 Rcf8 Intending an exchange sac with ...Rxf5 23.Nde4 Nxe4 24.Bxe4 Qd8 The sac didn't seem neccesary anymore. Although it is still interesting. 25.Kc2 Bc8 26.Qd3 Bxf5 =+ 27.Rae1 Qc7? Starting here things got sloppy. The position is messy and neither of us calculated it that precisely. [27...Bh6 with the idea of 28...Bxe4 29.Bxe4 Rf3; 27...Qe8!? Idea of Qg6, xa4] 28.Kb1 Bh6 29.Re2? Bc8? [29...Bg4 30.Rc2 Rxf2-+] 30.Nb5 Qd8 31.f3 [31.Bxh7 Bg4 32.Rc2 Rxf2 33.Rxf2 Rxf2 34.Qg3 Rf4 =+] 31...Bf5 32.Rc2 Bxe4 33.fxe4 Rf3 34.Qc4? [34.Qe2!] 34...Be3 35.Rc3 [35.Nc7 Rg8 36.Ne6 Qf6] 35...Bc5 36.Qe2? [36.Rxf3 =+] 36...R3f4!-/+ Hitting the weak pawns to provide tempi for infiltration. 37.h5 Qg5 38.Rch3 [38.Rc2 Rf2 39.Qd3 Rxc2 40.Qxc2 Rf2 -/+] 38...Rf2 39.Qd3 Qg2 40.R3h2 [40.Qb3 R8f3-+] 40...Rxb2+ 41.Ka1 Qxh2 Now white will be paralyzed due to the back rank mate threats. After recapturing on h2, Black has a simple winning plan of Rff2, Rfg3 & Rg1. 0-1

(3) Moore,H - Collyer,C [C02] BC - WA match Burnaby, 06.12.2003

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Bd7 6.a3 c4 7.Be2 Na5 8.Nbd2 Bc6 9.0-0 Qd7 10.b3 cxb3 11.c4 Ba4 12.Bb2 Ne7 13.Re1 b5 14.cxd5 Nxd5 15.Bd3 Be7 16.Qe2 Rc8 17.Ne4 Nf4 18.Qd2 Nxd3 19.Qxd3 Nc4 20.Bc3 h6 21.Bb4 a5 22.Bxe7 Qxe7 23.d5 b2 24.Rab1 0-0 25.d6 Qa7 26.Qe2 Rfd8 27.g4 Qb7 28.g5 h5 29.Ng3 Bc2 30.Qxc2 Qxf3 31.d7 Rxd7 32.Rxb2 Rd2 33.Qxd2 Nxd2 34.Rxd2 Qxa3 35.Nxh5 Rc1 36.Rdd1 Rxd1 37.Rxd1 b4 38.Rd8+ Kh7 39.Rd7 Qc1+ 40.Kg2 Qc6+ 0-1

(4) Kleist, F - McLaren, B [D31] BC - WA match Burnaby, 06.12.2003

"At the players' meeting prior to the start of play, team captain Joe Oszvald exhorted us to play solidly and not to take excessive risks, which could demoralise our team members.Brian McLaren was late arriving, did not hear this advice, and chose a risky pawn grab in the Semi-Slav Defence.Though under some real pressure he defended well and took an extra pawn into a rook and minor piece ending.This he converted to a win with perfect technique.Along with Jesse Bouvier's sendoff of young Meier Lakhovsky, this was one of the best games of the match." - Dan Scoones

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 c6 4.e4 dxe4 5.Nxe4 Bb4+ 6.Bd2 Qxd4 7.Bxb4 Qxe4+ 8.Be2 Nd7 9.Qd2 c5 10.Bc3 f6 11.0-0-0 Ne7 12.Nf3 Qc6 13.Rhe1 0-0 14.Bd3 Re8 15.h4 Nf8 16.h5 e5 17.h6 Bf5 18.hxg7 Nfg6 19.Qc2 Bxd3 20.Qxd3 Kxg7 21.Qd7 b6 22.Qg4 Rad8 23.Nd2 Qd7 24.Qf3 Qf5 25.g4 Qxf3 26.Nxf3 h6 27.Kc2 Nc6 28.Rh1 Nd4+ 29.Nxd4 exd4 30.Bd2 Re2 31.Kc1 Rxf2 32.Bxh6+ Kf7 33.Bd2 Rc8 34.g5 f5 35.Rde1 Rh8 36.Rh6 Rxh6 37.gxh6 Rh2 38.Rf1 Kf6 39.a4 Ne5 40.b3 Ng4 41.a5 Nxh6 42.axb6 axb6 43.Bf4 Rh3 44.Kb2 Ng4 45.Bc7 Ne5 46.Bxb6 Nd3+ 47.Ka3 Ke5 48.Ka4 f4 49.Kb5 Ke4 50.b4 cxb4 51.c5 Rh5 52.Kc4 b3 53.Kxb3 Nxc5+ 54.Kc4 Ne6 55.Re1+ Kf5 56.Bxd4 Nxd4 57.Kxd4 Rh2 58.Kd3 Kg4 59.Rf1 Kg3 60.Ke4 Re2+ 61.Kd3 f3 62.Rc1 Re5 63.Rc8 Kg2 64.Rg8+ Kf1 65.Rf8 f2 66.Rf7 Ke1 0-1

(5) Scoones, D - Franett, M [A41] BC - WA match Burnaby, 06.12.2003 [Scoones]

My opponent in this game is a former Washington champion and a veteran of the Northwest chess wars. His modest rating these days is no doubt due to lack of practice. I knew he would be a dangerous opponent, so I resolved to play solidly, especially considering my lack of sleep . . .

1.Nf3 d6 2.d4 Bg4 3.c4 Nd7 4.Qb3 Rb8 5.Nbd2 [Here I looked at 5.h3 Bh5 6.g4 Bg6 7.Bg2 and thought it might be a critical line, which it is, at least according to ECO. However, I didn't want to play into my opponent's theoretical knowledge.] 5...Ngf6 6.e3 [Stronger is 6.g3!? e5 7.h3 Bh5 8.Bg2 c6 9.0-0 e4 10.Nh4 d5 11.cxd5 cxd5 12.f3 exf3 13.Ndxf3 with some advantage for White.]

6...c6 7.Qc3 Bxf3 8.Nxf3 Ne4 9.Qc2 f5 10.Bd3 Ndf6 11.0-0 g6 12.b3 [Preferable is the immediate 12.b4; I rejected 12.Nd2 on account of the line 12...Nxd2 13.Bxd2 Bg7 14.Bc3 0-0 15.Rfd1 d5 and though White has a slight edge it is not easy to make progress.] 12...Bg7 13.Bb2 0-0 14.a4 Qe8 15.b4 h6 16.Ne1 e5 17.dxe5 dxe5 18.Nf3?! [I had intended 18.c5 with a modest advantage, but the text suddenly looked like a strong shot. However, there is a flaw.] 18...Nxf2 19.Bxe5?! [I saw that I could hold the balance with 19.Bxf5 gxf5 20.Qxf2 Ne4 21.Qe2 but I'm still under a misconception.] 19...Nxd3 20.Qxd3 [Only now did it dawn on me that after 20.Bxb8 Black has the zwischenzug 20...Oxe3+, which nets him two pieces for a rook after 21.Kh1 Rxb8. However, even after the text White should not lose.] 20...Rd8 21.Qb3 Ng4 22.Bd4 Qe4 [White is OK after 22...Bxd4 23.c5+ Rd5 24.exd4 Qe3+ 25.Qxe3 Nxe3 26.Rf2] 23.Rae1 Rf7 24.h3 Ne5 25.Nxe5 Bxe5 26.Bxa7? [The decisive error. In my clouded state of mind I thought Black was trying to win the pawn on e3, so I hastened to maintain the material balance. However, he has his sights set on more kingly fare. White is still only slightly worse after 26.Bxe5 Qxe5 27.c5] 26...Rd2! 27.Rf2 Rfd7 28.Ref1 R7d3 29.Qb1 Qxc4 30.Rxd2 [Perhaps the last try was 30.a5 but I couldn't see anything satisfactory after 30...Qd5] 30...Rxd2 31.Rf2 Bh2+ 32.Kxh2 Rxf2 33.e4 Rc2 34.exf5 Qf4+ A relatively poor effort on my part. Mike Stanford was kind enough to say that I had still helped the team by pushing others

down a board . . .0-1

(6) Schemm, M - Tegzes, L [A49] BC - WA match Burnaby, 06.12.2003 [Tegzes]

1.Nf3 d6 2.g3 Nf6 3.Bg2 g6 4.0-0 Bg7 5.d4 0-0 6.b3 c5 7.c3 Nc6 8.d5 Na5 9.Nfd2 b5 10.Bb2 Nd7 11.Qc2 Ne5 12.Nf3 Bd7 13.Nbd2 Rb8 14.Nxe5 Bxe5 15.h3 Qc8 16.Kh2 Bg7 17.f4 e5 18.dxe6 Bxe6 19.Ne4 Bf5 20.Rad1 Qc7 21.Qd2 Rbd8 22.Nf2 c4 23.b4 Nc6 24.a3 Ne7 25.e4 Bc8 26.Ng4 f5 27.Nf2 Bb7 28.Qe2 Rfe8 29.Rfe1 Bc6 30.Qd2 fxe4 31.Bxe4 d5 32.Bc2 Qd7 33.Ng4 Nf5 34.Ne5 Bxe5 35.fxe5 Qe6 36.Qf2 Rf8 37.Bc1 Rd7 37...d4! instead of Rd7 is probably winning for black, but I missed it. 38.Bg5 Rdf7 39.Bf6 Bd7 40.g4 Ng7 Time. 1-0

(7) Stanford,M (2200) - Zurybida,P (2000) [C33] BC - WA match Burnaby, 06.12.2003 [Stanford]

1.e4 e5 2.f4 exf4 3.Bc4 [3.Nf3 Something I seriously considered playing, but I wanted to give Bc4 another try.] 3...h6?! [3...g5 4.h4 Bg7 5.hxg5 Qxg5 6.Nf3 Qg3+ 7.Kf1 Leads to my game vs. Bobby from the BC Closed.; 3...Qh4+ Is a better move.; 3...d5 Is also better. The idea's to transpose into the modern variation.] 4.d4 g5? The whole point behind 3.Bc4 is to prevent black from playing g5. Of course if one usually plays the g5 stuff vs. 3.Nf3, they're going to try to transpose... Not a good idea. 5.h4 Bg7?? [5...Qe7!? Probably would've put up more of a fight.] 6.hxg5 hxg5 7.Rxh8 Bxh8 8.Qh5 Qf6 9.e5 Qg7 10.Nf3+- [10.Bxf7+ Is of course a move I thought about playing to get the pawn back. 10...Qxf7 11.Qxh8 Nc6 But black now has a much easier time getting his pieces out. 10...d5 A desperate move to try and get his pieces out. [10...g4 11.Ng5 Nh6 12.Bxf4 Nc6 13.Nc3 (13.c3) 13...Nxd4 14.0-0-0+-] 11.Bxd5 c6 12.Bb3 [12.Bc4 b5; 12.Bxf7+ again I can play this move, but why? I can always play it later.] 12...Ne7 [12...Bf5 13.e6] 13.Nxg5 Nd5 14.Nc3 Bf5 15.Nxd5 cxd5 16.Bxd5 Bg6 17.Qg4 [17.Bxf7++- Is better, but I wanted to try and keep it from simplifying. 17...Bxf7 18.Nxf7 Qxf7 19.Qxh8+ Kd7 20.Qh3+ Kc7 21.e6 Qf6 22.Qg4; 17.Qf3 Was another move I thought about. 17...Nd7 18.Bxb7 Rd8 19.Bxf4+-] 17...Nc6 18.Qxf4 0-0-0 19.Bxc6 bxc6 20.Be3 Bxc2 21.Rc1 Ba4 22.b3 Here my opponent resigned because of 23.a4 24.Rxc shot. 1-0

(8) Gale, G - Moura, E [B18] BC - WA match Burnaby, 06.12.2003

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Bf5 5.Ng3 Bg6 6.h4 h6 7.h5 Bh7 8.Nf3 Nf6 9.Bd3 Bxd3 10.Qxd3 e6 11.Bf4 Qa5+ 12.Bd2 Qa6 13.Ne5 c5 14.Be3 Qxd3 15.Nxd3 c4 16.Ne5 Nbd7 17.0-0-0 c3 18.bxc3 Nd5 19.Nxd7 Kxd7 20.Kd2 Rc8 21.Ne2 Nxc3 22.Nxc3 Bb4 23.Rb1 Bxc3+ 24.Kd3 b6 25.Rb3 Ba5 26.c4 Rhd8-

(9) Bouvier, J - Lakhovsky, M [B93] BC - WA match Burnaby, 06.12.2003

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.f4 Qc7 7.Bd3 g6 8.Nf3 Bg7 9.0-0 b5 10.a3 Nbd7 11.Qe1 0-0 12.Qh4 Bb7 13.Kh1 Rad8 14.f5 Rfe8 15.Bh6 e5 16.Ng5 Nf8 17.Rf3 gxf5 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Rxf5 h6 20.Raf1 Ng6 21.Qg3 hxg5 22.Rxf6 Rd7 23.Qxg5 Bc6 24.Ne2 Qd8 25.Ng3 Re6 26.Rxf7+ Kg8 27.Qf5 1-0

SCHOLASTIC

This year's B.C. - Washington Scholastic match, the 13th in a series which started in 1991, resulted in a 25.5 - 22.5 win for the visiting team from Washington. They handily won the first round 14.5 - 9.5 playing Black, and while B.C. managed to win the second round 13 - 11, this was not enough to overcome Washington's lead from the morning games. Washington players who won both their games were Nicholas Orlov and James Colasurdo (both grade 1), Alec Ho (grade 2), Igor Ummel and Darren Wu (both grade 4), and Ricky Selzler and Alex Glass (both grade 8); B.C. players who achieved the same feat were Bryan Young and Kristijan Gorgevik (both grade 6), Noam Davies (grade 7), Valentina Goutor (grade 9), and Fanhao Meng (grade 10). Other players with plus scores: for Washington, Prithvi Shankar (11) and Case Kiyonaga (12); for B.C., Alexandra Botez (3), Elliot Raymer (5), Lucas Davies (10), Ben Daswani (11), and Yamei Wang (12). In general Washington did better in the lower grades, B.C. in the higher.

The match was held on December 6th, 2003, at B.C.I.T. in Burnaby, B.C.The time control for grades 4-6 was 60 minutes per player, for grades 7-12 90 minutes per player. Clocks were not used for the lowest grades. Many thanks to the players, their parents and coaches, with a special thank you to the organizers, Bill Lee and Katherine Davies (B.C.), and Kirk Winges and Paul Zurybida (Washington).

Detailed results: http://www3.telus.net/public/swright2/bcwa2003.html Rolfs,H - Young,B [D02] INTERMAT Burnaby (1.6), 06.12.2003

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bf4 Nf6 4.e3 Bg4 5.Be2 e6 6.c3 Bd6 7.Bg3 Bxg3 8.hxg3 Ne4 9.Qb3 Nd6 10.Nbd2 Qd7 11.Bd3 0-0-0 12.Qc2 Bf5 13.Bxf5 Nxf5 14.b4 Nd6 15.a4 a6 16.Ne5 Nxe5 17.dxe5 Ne4 18.Nxe4 dxe4 19.Qxe4 Qd2+ 20.Kf1 Qxc3 21.Qb1 Rd2 22.Kg1 h5 23.Kh2 Rxf2 24.Rc1 Qxe3 25.Rc2 h4 26.Rxc7+ Kxc7 27.Qc1+ Qxc1 28.Rxc1+ Kd7 29.gxh4 Rf4 30.Rb1 Rhxh4+ 31.Kg1 Rxb4 32.Rd1+ Rhd4 33.Rf1 Ke7 34.Rc1 Rdc4 35.Rd1 Rxa4 36.Rb1 b5 37.Kh2 Ra3 38.Rd1 b4 39.Rf1 b3 40.Rb1 Rb4 41.Rf1 b2 42.Rg1 Ra1 43.Rxa1 bxa1Q 0-1

Glass, A - Sum, P [C42] INTERMAT Burnaby (1.8), 06.12.2003

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nxe5 d6 4.Nf3 Nxe4 5.d3 Nf6 6.Be2 d5 7.0-0 Bd6 8.Bg5 0-0 9.Nc3 c6 10.a3 Nbd7 11.b4 Qc7 12.Kh1 Ng4 13.h3 Ngf6 14.Rb1 Re8 15.Na4 a5 16.b5 cxb5 17.Rxb5 Qc6 18.Nd4 Qc7 19.c4 dxc4 20.dxc4 Ne4 21.Bd3 Ndc5 22.Nxc5 Nxg5 23.Nxb7 Bxb7 24.Rxg5 Bxa3 25.Bxh7+ Kxh7 26.Qd3+ g6 27.Qxa3 Qxc4 28.Qa1 Rad8 29.Nf5 f6 30.Qxf6 Qxf1+ 31.Kh2 Rg8 32.Rh5+ 1-0

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Bd3 g6 6.c4 Bg7 7.Nb3 0-0 8.Nc3 Nc6 9.f3 Be6 10.Nd5 Rc8 11.Qe2 Nd7 12.f4 Nc5 13.Nxc5 dxc5 14.g4 Nd4 15.Qg2 Bxd5 16.cxd5 e6 17.h4 exd5 18.e5 f6 19.exf6 Bxf6 20.h5 g5 21.0-0 Re8 22.Kh1 c4 23.fxg5 Bxg5 24.Qf2 cxd3 25.Qxd4 Rxc1 26.Raxc1 Bxc1 27.Rxc1 Qh4+ 28.Kg1 Qg3+ 29.Kh1 Qf3+ 30.Kg1 Re2 31.Rc8+ Kf7 32.Rc7+ Ke6 33.Re7+ Kxe7 34.Qc5+ Ke6 35.Qc8+ Ke5 0-1

Shankar, P - Lee, J [B31] INTERMAT Burnaby (1.11), 06.12.2003

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 g6 4.0-0 Bg7 5.Re1 Qc7 6.Nc3 e6 7.Bxc6 Qxc6 8.d4 d6 9.Bf4 Qb6 10.e5 cxd4 11.Nxd4 Bd7 12.Be3 Qxb2 13.Qd3 d5 14.Rab1 Qa3 15.Ndb5 Qa5 16.Nd6+ Ke7 17.Nxb7 Qc7 18.Bc5+ Ke8 19.Nd6+ Kf8 20.Qf3 Nh6 21.Nxf7+ Kg8 22.Nxh6+ Bxh6 23.Nxd5 Qxc5 24.Nf6+ Kg7 25.Rb7 1-0

Botez,A - Yang,M [A15] INTERMAT Burnaby (2.3), 06.12.2003
1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 d6 3.g3 b6 4.Bg2 Bb7 5.b3 Nbd7 6.Bb2 e5 7.d3 Be7 8.Nbd2 h6 9.Qc2 0-0 10.0-0 Rc8 11.a4 a5 12.Bc3 Nc5 13.b4 axb4 14.Bxb4 Ne6 15.a5 bxa5 16.Bxa5 Qd7 17.Qa4 Bc6 18.Qc2 Nh7 19.Bc3 Nhg5 20.Ra7 Rb8 21.Rfa1 f5 22.e3 Kh8 23.R7a6 Bb7 24.Ra7 Bc6 25.R1a6 Bb7 26.Ra3 d5 27.Nh4 Qe8 28.Bxe5 Bxa3 29.Rxa3 Nd8 30.Qc3 d4 31.Qxd4 Nde6 32.Qc3 Bxg2 33.Nxg2 Nh3+ 34.Kf1 Qh5 35.Ra6 Rfe8 36.Ra7 Re7 37.f3 Nhg5 38.Nh4 Nf7 39.Qa3 Rd7 40.Bb2 Ne5 41.Bxe5 Re8 42.Ra8 Nd8 43.Bb2 Rxe3 44.Qf8+ Kh7 45.Rxd8 Rf7 46.Qh8# 1-0

Davies, N - Cambareri, M [C97] INTERMAT Burnaby (2.7), 06.12.2003

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 d6 8.c3 0-0 9.h3 Na5 10.Bc2 c5 11.d4 Qc7 12.Nbd2 Bd7 13.Nf1 Rfe8 14.Bg5 Nc4 15.b3 Nb6 16.Ne3 Rac8 17.Bh4 g6 18.Bg3 Bf8 19.dxe5 dxe5 20.Nd5 Nfxd5 21.exd5 f6 22.h4 Bg4 23.Qd2 Rcd8 24.Nh2 Rxd5 25.Qe3 Bc8 26.Qf3 Rd2 27.Rac1 f5 28.h5 Bh6 29.hxg6 hxg6 30.Bh4 g5 31.Qh5 gxh4 32.Qxe8+ Kh7 33.Rxe5 Nd5 34.Bxf5+ Bxf5 35.Rxf5 Kg7 36.Ng4 Nf4 37.Qf8+ Kg6 38.Qf6+ Kh7 39.Qxh6+ Kg8 40.Rf8# 1-0

Meng,F - Binz,K [B07] INTERMAT Burnaby (2.10), 06.12.2003

1.e4 d6 2.d4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.Be3 Nf6 5.f3 0-0 6.Qd2 e5 7.Nge2 Nc6 8.0-0-0 a6 9.g4 exd4 10.Nxd4 Ne5 11.Be2 Re8 12.h4 d5 13.g5 Nh5 14.Nxd5 c6 15.Nc3 Ng3 16.Rhg1 Nxe2+ 17.Qxe2 Qa5 18.h5 b5 19.hxg6 hxg6 20.f4 b4 21.Nb3 Qc7 22.Na4 Nd7 23.Qc4 a5 24.Nbc5 Nxc5 25.Nxc5 Qb6 26.Bd4 Ba6 27.Nxa6 Qxa6 28.Qxa6 Rxa6 29.Bxg7 Kxg7 30.e5 Raa8 31.Rd6 c5 32.Rgd1 Kf8 33.b3 a4 34.R1d5 axb3 35.axb3 Rac8 36.Kd2 c4 37.Rb5 cxb3 38.cxb3 Rb8 39.Rbb6 Ke7 40.Kd3 Rec8 41.Rxb8 Rxb8 42.Kc4 Rb7 43.Kc5 Rb8 44.Rb6 Rxb6 45.Kxb6 Ke6 46.Kc5 Kf5 47.Kxb4 Kxf4 48.Kc5 Kxg5 49.b4 Kf5 50.b5 Ke6 51.Kc6 Kxe5 52.b6 f5 53.b7 f4 54.b8Q+ Kf5 55.Kd5 g5 56.Qf8+ Kg4 57.Ke4 Kg3 58.Qf5 1-0

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 Nf6 4.Bg2 g6 5.d3 Bg7 6.f4 d6 7.Nf3 e5 8.0-0 0-0 9.h3 exf4 10.gxf4 Be6 11.Be3 Qd7 12.Kh2 Rad8 13.Nh4 Ne7 14.Qf3 b6 15.Ne2 Nh5 16.f5 Bxb2 17.fxe6 fxe6 18.Qg4 Bxa1 19.Rxa1 e5 20.Qg5 Ng7 21.Bf3 Nc6 22.Bg4 Qe7 23.Qh6 Ne6 24.Rg1 Rf6 25.Nc3 g5 26.Bxe6+ Rxe6 27.Rxg5+ Kh8 28.Ng6+ Rxg6 29.Rxg6 Nb4 30.Bg5 1-0

JACK TAYLOR MEMORIAL

Dan Scoones has kindly annotated two of his wins from the recent Jack Taylor Memorial in Victoria - thanks, Dan!

Sauve,R - Scoones,D [A57] Jack Taylor mem Victoria (2), 22.11.2003

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.cxb5 a6 5.b6 Qxb6 6.Nc3 e6!? My opponent had played the opening moves quite quickly, so I made the decision to take the game out of the usual Benko Gambit paths. 7.e4 Bb7 8.a4?! [I don't like this move, and in fact I think it fully deserves the dubious mark. More normal would be 8.Bc4] 8...a5 [Allowing the following knight manoeuvre, which increases the pressure on White's centre. In line with recent Benoni fashion Black can also consider 8...exd5 9.exd5 Bd6!?] 9.Nf3 Na6 10.Ne5 [Here White should play 10.dxe6 fxe6 11.e5 Nd5 12.Nd2 when his chances are somewhat preferable.] 10...Nb4 [At the board I rejected 10...Nxe4? on account of 11.Nxe4 exd5 12.Ng5 (also good is the simple 12.Bb5! and the knight cannot be taken on account of mate) 12...f6 13.Qh5+ g6 14.Nxg6 hxg6 15.Qxh8 fxg5 16.Bxg5 and Black is not going to last very long. The knight sacrifice is premature and needs to be prepared with some developing moves.] 11.Nc4 Qd8 12.Ne3 [In case of 12.d6 my intention was 12...Nxe4 13.Nb5 Rc8 (also possible is 13...Qf6) 14.Nc7+ Rxc7 15.dxc7 Qxc7 with two centre pawns for the exchange. Looking at it now I think Black is doing rather well here.; In the post mortem Harry Moore suggested the very logical 12.Bg5!? After 12...h6 (less critical and perhaps stronger is 12...exd5 13.exd5 d6) 13.Bxf6 Qxf6 14.d6 g6 the game is complicated but Black seems to be OK.] 12...Nxe4!? [As noted above I had already spotted this possibility and could not resist playing it here. A reasonable alternative was 12...exd5 13.exd5 Qb8 14.Bc4 Bd6 with a satisfactory position for Black.] 13.dxe6?! [White goes wrong, and is left a pawn down for little or no compensation. The only way to tackle Black's sacrifice was to accept it: 13.Nxe4 exd5 14.Ng3 d4 A) 15.Nc4 is met by 15...d5! (lame is 15...Oe7+ 16.Kd2 Og5+ 17.Ke1 Oe7+ with a draw by repetition.) 16.Ne5 c4 17.Rb1 d3 and Black has good compensation for the piece.; B) 15.Nef5 15...Qf6! 16.Qe2+ Kd8 17.Kd1 (After 17.Bf4 d3 18.Qd2 Qe6+

19.Kd1 Ob3+ 20.Kc1 Nc2 21.Rb1 Nb4 Black has a forced draw. Given my opponent's rating I'm sure I would have tried to avoid this.) 17...g6 18.Bf4 d6 19.Qb5 (I didn't spot this in my analysis, but it doesn't matter; Black still has compensation for the piece. 19...Kc8 20.Qe8+ Kc7 21.Qb5 gxf5 (21...Kc8=) 22.Qxc5+ Bc6 23.Qxf5 Bg7 with continuing complications that must be satisfactory for Black.] 13...fxe6 14.Bd3 [14.Qh5+ g6 15.Qe5 Qf6 16.Qxf6 Nxf6 is no problem for Black.] 14...Nxd3+ 15.Qxd3 Nxc3 16.bxc3 Qf6 17.Ng4 Qf5 18.Qxf5 exf5 19.Ne3 g6 20.0-0 [After 20.c4 Bg7 21.Ra2 Bc6 White's a-pawn is weak.] 20...Bg7 [The immediate 20...d5 was also good.] 21.Nc4 0-0 22.Nb6 Rad8 23.Bg5 Bf6 24.Bh6 [Or 24.Bxf6 Rxf6 25.Rab1 d5 26.Rfe1 Ba6, etc.] 24...Rfe8 25.Rac1 d5 [Interesting was 25...Re6 26.Rb1 (26.Nc4 Ba6) 26...Be4 27.Rb5 Bd3 28.Nd5 Bxb5 29.axb5 Kf7 but the text is simpler.] 26.Bf4 Be5 27.Bxe5 [After 27.Be3 Re6 28.Bxc5 Rc6 29.Be7 Re8 30.Nxd5 Re6 31.c4 Bxd5 32.cxd5 R6xe7 Black is a piece up and the win is just a matter of technique.] 27...Rxe5 28.c4 d4 29.Rfe1 Rxe1+ 30.Rxe1 Rd6 31.Rb1 White is completely tied up and cannot prevent the march of the dpawn, bringing the game to a speedy conclusion. 31...d3 32.Kfl d2 33.Ke2 [Or 33.Nd5 Rxd5! 34.cxd5 Ba6+ 35.Kg1 Be2 and wins.] 33...d1Q+ 34.Rxd1 Rxb6 The message from this game is that you cannot play for a win as Black without taking at least some risks. The trick is not to go overboard! 0-1

Neufahrt,G - Scoones,D [A46] Jack Taylor mem Victoria (4), 22.11.2003

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.d4 e6 3.Bf4 b6 4.Nbd2 Bb7 5.e3 Be7 6.Bd3 c5 7.c3 [7.h3 cxd4 8.exd4 Nc6 9.c3 d6 10.Qe2] 7...Nc6 8.0-0 Nh5!? [Here I thought I was punishing White for his failure to insert the prophylactic move h3, but he has a surprising resource. After 8...cxd4 9.exd4 0-0 Black has an acceptable position.] 9.Ne4? [A mistake, and a serious one at that. Stronger was 9.Bg5! Bxg5 10.Nxg5 Qxg5 11.Ne4! (the point) 11...Qe7 12.Qxh5 with slightly better chances for White.] 9...Nxf4 10.exf4 cxd4 11.Nxd4 Nxd4 12.cxd4 f5 13.Ng5 0-0 [Also possible was 13...Bf6 followed by ...Qc7 with an immediate attack on White's d-pawn.] 14.Qh5 h6 15.h4? [The only move was 15.Nf3 but even then Black gains the advantage with 15...Bf6 16.Ne5 d6 17.Ng6 Rf7 18.Bc4 Qe8! 19.Rfe1 Qc6 20.Bf1 Qd5 - a very "hypermodern" variation.] 15...Qe8!? [With this simple reply Black forces an exchange of queens and achieves a vastly superior ending. It was also possible to take the knight: 15...hxg5 16.hxg5 Re8 and White has no obvious way of continuing the "attack." However, I did not feel like giving the ever-dangerous Neufahrt even a shred of counterplay.] 16.Qxe8 Rfxe8 17.Nf3 Bxf3 18.gxf3 Bxh4 19.Bb5 Re7 20.Rac1 [White should prevent Black's following manoeuvre by playing 20.Ba6 here, but I can't imagine this making any difference in the long run.] 20...a6 21.Ba4 b5 22.Bb3 d5 With his bishop deprived of all activity White can only watch while Black improves his position. 23.Rfe1 Kf7 24.Rc6 Bf6 25.Rd1 Raa7 26.Kf1 Rec7 27.Rxc7+ Rxc7 28.Ke2 g5 29.Ke3 [If 29.fxg5 Bxg5 30.Rh1 Rc1! with an easily winning ending for Black.] 29...gxf4+ 30.Kd3 [If 30.Kxf4 Bg5+ 31.Ke5 Rc1! 32.Rd3 Ke7 33.Bd1 h5! and Black wins.] 30...h5 31.a3 h4 32.Rh1 Ke7 33.Ba2 Kd6 In this position I was dreaming of 34...Rc4 35.Bxc4 dxc4+ 35.Kc3 Kd5 followed by capturing the d-pawn and ...e5-e4, but there is a much simpler win on the cards. 34.Rg1 Rg7 35.Rh1 [If White exchanges rooks he will not be able to stop the h-pawn without allowing a ruinous loss of material.] Rg2

36.Rf1 h3 It was great to see Gerry back in the chess wars after winning a far more serious battle with illness! 0-1

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CANADIAN CHESS PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Canada's chess journalists unanimously voted Pascal Charbonneau 2003 Canadian Chess Player of the Year. Charbonneau, 20, is the reigning Canadian Champion and will represent Canada at the next World Chess Championship. His tournament results in 2003 included completion of 2 of the 3 requirements for the Grandmaster title with a 5th place finish in the Montreal International tournament; and a 2nd place finish in the Pan American Championship. His next tournament will match him with Former World Champion Anatoly Karpov, starting Dec. 13 in Lindsborg, Kansas, USA.

VOTING DETAILS

11 Canadian chess journalists were invited to vote for the 2003 Canadian Chess Player of the Year. 7 journalists responded, with 6 casting votes. Pascal Charbonneau received all 6 first place votes. Mark Bluvshtein received one second place vote. No other votes were cast.

SURREY JUNIOR OPEN by Harold Daykin

Bumper Turnout of 61 at Annual Tourney: on November 1st (Saturday)

School Club Leaders will be interested to know what made it happen - a tournament of a very ordinary type (a nothing-special Saturday rated event):

First, we tried to build on last year s success, where we had a turnout of 49 players. Almost every home and school who d had player(s) there before were sent a notice on the mail. A sprinkling of known active homes/schools were also notified.

This time we offered Medals as individual prizes and also two Team Trophies (for best elementary and best secondary school club there)

Word-of-mouth advance push was also a big thing - especially in the White rock / South Surrey area - from which some twenty young players came, almost all of them from one of Father-Coach Henry Sikorski s two school clubs there (both Elementary ones). True also of Michelle Steven s club at Johnston Heights High, where Kevin Au assists.

Over-the-phone word is: with earlier advance notice, and with a slightly improved date (not the day after Halloween, which this was) the turnout might have been eighty instead of sixty!

TD was Tony Deline; ATDs were: Andre Botez, Erik Christensen and Richard Reid.

Tournament Organizer: Harold Daykin

THIRTY YEARS AGO by Bruce Harper

Thirty years ago Bob Zuk was one of B.C.'s top players. One of his greatest strengths was his technique, although today's game may not be the best example of it, as he needed so help from his opponent...

Zuk,R - Potoma, MOpen Vancouver, 1973

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.d3

This quiet move essentially lets Black adopt whatever set up he likes.

5...b5 6.Bb3 Be7 7.c3 0-0 8.Nbd2 d5

It is probably better for Black to complete his development, keeping in mind that White might play d3-d4. If White doesn't push his d-pawn, Black can.

9.Qe2 dxe4

Resolving the tension in the centre this quickly also seems doubtful.

10.dxe4 Be6 11.Nf1 Qd7 12.Ng3 Rad8

Chess writers are told to say "wrong rook!" if they don't have any useful comment to make. But here 12...Rfd8 really does look better, as White will soon be playing a2-a4.

13.Bxe6 fxe6

A daring move, which has its good points. The doubled e-pawns cover all the important central squares, except the ones they occupy. But Black is now committed to finding some good moves, as otherwise he will be looking at a dismal ending. However, after 13...Qxe6 14.a4, the attack on Black's b5-pawn is annoying (14...Rdb8 15.axb5 axb5 16.Ra6 Nd4? 17.Rxe6 Nxe2 18.Rxe7 wins, so White gets pressure on the queenside).

14.a4 b4

14...Qd3 15.Qxd3 Rxd3 16.axb5 axb5 17.Ra6 Rd6 18.Be3 Nd4 seems better, keeping the b-pawn on b5.

15.Bd2 Qd3 16.Qxd3 Rxd3 17.Ke2 Rfd8 18.Rhd1 bxc3 19.Bxc3 Rxd1 20.Rxd1 Rxd1 21.Kxd1

Now White has the position he wanted. Black's e-pawns have become targets, and Black's split queenside pawns give White opportunities for play on the that side of the board as well.

21...Bd6 22.Kc2

22.h3 was more accurate. Both sides were short of time at this point, and technical inaccuracies occur.

22...Kf7 23.Ne1? Nd7?

Activitiy is as important in the ending as in any other part of the game - maybe more so. After both 23...Ng4 and 23...Ng4+, followed by 24...Ng4, Black turns the tables.

24.Nd3 Nc5?

Black is trying to draw by trading, but his shattered pawn structure means that the more simplified the position, the more likely he is to lose. This means that both White and Black are striving towards the same goal - a White win.

25.Nxc5 Bxc5 26.f3 Ke7 27.Kd3 Kd6 28.Nf1

Invading via h5 is also good.

28...Bd4 29.Nd2

Short of time, White didn't want to commit himself with 29.b4!

29...Bxc3 30.Kxc3 Kc5 31.Nc4

Missing 31.b4+!, as did I when I first annotated this game (31...Nxb4? 32.Nb3+ wins a piece). This only shows just how much lies under the surface in even simple positions.

31...g6 32.Na3? Nb4 33.Nb1 Nc6?

33....Na2+ is better, although it is not clear that it draws.

34.Nd2 a5? 35.Nc4

White has now finally solved his technical problems, as zugzwang looms.

35...h6 36.g3 h5 37.h4 Ne7

37...Nd4 was the only chance, but, worn down by his arduous defence, Black goes down without a fight. From Black's point of view, the sad thing is that he actually had a number of chances to equalize, if not more.

38.Nxe5 Kb6 39.Kc4 c6 40.b3 c5 41.Nd3 Nc6 42.f4 Nd4 43.Nxc5 Ne2 44.Nxe6 Nxg3 45.Kd5 Ne2 46.f5 1-0

[A postscript to last issue's column: as pointed out by Tony Boron, the endgame starting position was incorrect - the Black h-pawn should have been on h7]

UPCOMING EVENTS

To save space, from now on I will only give basic information for events - date, place, and type.

Full details for all the events listed here may be found on the BCCF site, www.chess.bc.ca.

Junior Events

Dec 10+173rd All Juniors U1500, Vancouver

Dec 29-31Pan American Qualifier, Calgary

Jan 2-6Canadian Junior, Calgary

Jan 11Grand Prix # 4, Vancouver

Jan 11Island Junior Open # 4, Victoria

Jan 18Shawnigan Lake School

Jan 25BCIT Junior Open, Burnaby

Jan 31 Elementary Team Championship, Vancouver

For full details see www.chess.bc.ca or http://members.shaw.ca/victoriachess/

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 Bego's Sunday Tournaments

Dates: Every Sunday (sunny or rainy), 12:00PM - 6:00PM

Location: Bear Creek Park, Surrey

Further details: www.nickbeqo.com/chess/id125.htm

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

Dates: Wednesdays December 10 & 17

Place: Little Mountain Neighbourhood House, 3981 Main St., Vancouver, BC (near King

Edward Ave.)

Type: 6-round Active Swiss

Vancouver Winter Chess Tournament

Date: December 20, 21

Place: Vancouver Bridge Centre, 2776 East Broadway (at Kaslo), Vancouver

Type: 4-round Swiss

Little Mountain's Regular Swiss - January

Dates: January 12, 19, 26 & February 2.

Place: Little Mountain Neighbourhood House, 3981 Main St., Vancouver, BC (near King

Edward Ave.)

Type: 4-round Swiss

North Shore Open

Dates: Jan 17-18, 2004

Place: Capilano College, 2055 Purcell Way, North Vancouver, BC

Type: 4-round Swiss

Kamloops Grand Prix #1

Date: Jan. 24, 2004

Place: South Kamloops Secondary School Cafeteria, 821 Munro Street, Kamloops, B.C.

Type: 4-round Swiss

The Long And Winding Road

Date: January 24-25

Place: Fatima Church (315 Walker St. Coquitlam)

Type: Regular 4-round Swiss

Victoria Winter Open Date: January 24-25, 2004

Place: UVic HSD Bldg., Victoria

Type: 5-round Swiss

Vancouver Class Championships

Date: January 30 - February 1 Place: Vancouver Bridge Centre

Type: 5-round Swiss

Vancouver Saturday Night Chess (1)

Dates: Saturdays February 7, 14, 21, 29 and March 6.

Place: Vancouver Bridge Centre, 2776 East Broadway (at Kaslo), Vancouver

Type: 5-round Swiss

Little Mountain's Regular Swiss - February

Dates: February 9, 16, 23 and March 1.

Place: Little Mountain Neighbourhood House, 3981 Main St., Vancouver, BC (near King

Edward Ave.)

Type: 4-round Swiss

Kelowna Winter Fest

Date: February 14-15th 2004

Place: Sandman Inn, 2130 Harvey Avenue, Kelowna, B.C. Tel: 250-860-6409

Type: 5-round Swiss Kamloops Grand Prix #2

Date: Feb. 21, 2004

Place: South Kamloops Secondary School Cafeteria, 821 Munro Street, Kamloops, B.C.

Format: 4-round Swiss

Little Mountain's Regular Swiss - March

Dates: March 8, 15, 22 and 29.

Place: Little Mountain Neighbourhood House, 3981 Main St., Vancouver, BC (near King

Edward Ave.)

Type: 4-round Swiss

Vancouver Saturday Night Chess (2)

Dates: Saturdays March 13, 20, 27, and April 3, and 17

Place: Vancouver Bridge Centre, 2776 East Broadway (at Kaslo), Vancouver

Type: 5-round Swiss

Love Me Tender Open

Date: Saturday, March 27, 2004

Place: Fatima Church (315 Walker St. Coquitlam)

Type: Regular 4-round Swiss

Little Mountain's Regular Swiss - April

Dates: April 5, 12, 19 and 26.

Place: Little Mountain Neighbourhood House, 3981 Main St., Vancouver, BC (near King

Edward Ave.)

Type: 4-round Swiss

Kamloops Grand Prix #3 Date: April 9,10, 2004 Eligibility: for < 2200 only

Place: South Kamloops Secondary School Cafeteria, 821 Munro Street, Kamloops, B.C.

Type: 6-round Swiss

What a wonderful world

Date: Saturday April 24

Location: Fatima Church, Coquitlam (315 Walker st.)

Type: Regular 4-round Swiss

29th Paul Keres Memorial

Date: May 21-24 2004

Location: Croatian Community Centre, Vancouver

Type: 6 or 7-round Swiss

http://www.keresmemorial.com/

Western Canadian Open Date: July 9-18 2004

Place: Vancouver Airport Conference Resort

Type: 10 round single section Swiss

Kamloops Grand Prix #4 Date: Sept. 18, 2004

Place: South Kamloops Secondary School Cafeteria, 821 Munro Street, Kamloops, B.C.

Type: 4-round Swiss Kamloops Grand Prix #5

Date: Oct. 23, 2004

Place: South Kamloops Secondary School Cafeteria, 821 Munro Street, Kamloops, B.C.

Type: 4-round Swiss Kamloops Grand Prix #6

Date: Nov. 20, 2004

Place: South Kamloops Secondary School Cafeteria, 821 Munro Street, Kamloops, B.C.

Type: 4-round Swiss