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36th CHESS OLYMPIAD - CALVIA

As noted last time, our own Valentina Goutor is playing for the Canadian Women's team at the 36th Chess Olympiad in Calvia, Spain. She has had a tough event, to date scoring only three draws from nine games; the fast time control (90 minutes per game with a 30-second increment) is not conducive to high-quality chess. Still, the experience should stand her in good stead in the future.

The last round takes place tomorrow; internet coverage can be found at http://www.36chessolympiad.com/ or http://chess-olympiad.com/

Berntsen,S (2118) (NOR) - Goutor,V (2013) [B50] Calvia ol wom Calvia (3.3), 17.10.2004

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.c3 Nf6 4.h3 Nc6 5.Bd3 g6 6.Bc2 Bg7 7.0-0 0-0 8.d4 b6 9.Re1 Nd7 10.Bg5 h6 11.Bh4 Re8 12.Na3 Ba6 13.Bd3 Bxd3 14.Qxd3 Qc7 15.d5 Nce5 16.Nxe5 Nxe5 17.Qe2 a6 18.f4 Nd7 19.c4 e6 20.Qc2 Bd4+ 21.Bf2 e5 22.Bxd4 exd4 23.Qf2 Kg7 24.Nb1 Re7 25.Nd2 Rae8 26.Re2 b5 27.Rae1 Qa5 28.a3 Qa4 29.cxb5 axb5 30.h4 d3 31.Re3 c4 32.h5 Nf6 33.hxg6 fxg6 34.Qf3 Qc2 35.e5 Nxd5 36.Qxd5 Qxd2 37.f5 dxe5 38.f6+ Kxf6 39.Rf3+ Kg7 40.Ref1 Qa5 41.Rf7+ Kh8 42.Rf8+ Rxf8 43.Rxf8+ Kg7 44.Qg8# 1-0

De La Cruz,M (2086) (DOM) - Goutor,V (2013) [E84] Calvia ol wom Calvia (5.3), 19.10.2004

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.f3 0-0 6.Be3 Nc6 7.Qd2 a6 8.Nge2 Rb8 9.Ng3 e5 10.d5 Nd4 11.Bxd4 exd4 12.Nce2 c5 13.dxc6 bxc6 14.Nxd4 Qb6 15.Nb3 Rd8 16.Be2 Be6 17.Rc1 Nd7 18.Rc2 Nc5 19.Bd3 Nxb3 20.axb3 Qxb3 21.0-0 Bxb2 22.Kh1 Bg7 23.Qe2 c5 24.Ra2 Qb6 25.f4 Bd7 26.f5 Be5 27.Qd2 Kg7 28.Qg5 h6 29.Nh5+ Kh7 30.fxg6+ fxg6 31.Rf7+ Kh8 32.Qxh6+ 1-0

Spychala, J (POL) - Goutor, V (2013) [E76] Calvia ol wom Calvia (7.3), 22.10.2004

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.f4 0-0 6.Nf3 c5 7.d5 b5 8.cxb5 a6 9.bxa6 Bxa6 10.Bxa6 Nxa6 11.0-0 Qb6 12.Kh1 Rfb8 13.Qe2 Nd7 14.e5 Nc7 15.a4 Qb7 16.Qe4 Nb6 17.Rd1 Nc8 18.h4 Na7 19.g4 Nab5 20.h5 Nxc3 21.bxc3 Qb3 22.Qd3 Rxa4 23.Rxa4 Qxa4 24.hxg6 hxg6 25.Kg2 ½-½

Baptista, A (2042) (POR) - Goutor, V (2013) [B73] Calvia ol wom Calvia (10.3), 25.10.2004

[There are notational errors at the end of the game - ed.]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Be2 Bg7 7.Be3 0-0 8.0-0 Nc6 9.h3 Bd7 10.Qd2 a6 11.Rad1 b5 12.a3 Rc8 13.Nxc6 Bxc6 14.Bd3 Nd7 15.Bh6 Bb7 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Nd5 Nb6 18.Ne3 Na4 19.c4 bxc4 20.Bxc4 Qb6 21.b3 Nc5 22.Qb2+ Kg8 23.Ng4 e5 24.Nf6+ Kg7 25.Nd5 Bxd5 26.Bxd5 Rc7 27.Rd2 Rd8 28.Rfd1 Rcd7 29.b4 Ne6 30.Kh2 Nd4 31.f4 Rc8 32.Rf1 Rdc7 33.fxe5 dxe5 34.Rdf2 f6 35.Rxf6 Qxf6 36.Rxf6 Kxf6 37.Qf2+ Kg7 38.Qg3 Re8 39.Qd3 Rc2 40.Bb3 Rb2 41.Bd1 Rf8 42.Kg3 Rff2 43.Qxa6 Rxg2+ 44.Kh4 g5+ 45.Kh5 Ne2 46.Qb7+ Kf6 47.Qc6+ Kg7 48.Qd7+ Kf6 49.Qf5+ Ke7 50.Qxe5+ Kf7 51.Qf5+ Kg7 52.Bxe2 Rbxe2 53.e5 Ref2 54.Qd7+ Rf7 55.Qd4 g4 56.Kh4 gxh3 57.e6+ Rf6 58.Qd7+ Kh6 59.Kxh3 Rgf2 60.Qd4 R2f4 61.Qd1 Rh4+ 62.Kg3 Rg4+ 63.Kh3 ½-½

Goutor,V (2013) - Sommer,S (2043) (AUT) [C95] Calvia ol wom Calvia (11.3), 26.10.2004

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 Nb8 10.d4 Nbd7 11.Nbd2 Bb7 12.Bc2 c5 13.d5 c4 14.Nf1 g6 15.Ng3 Ne8 16.Bh6 Ng7 17.Qd2 Bc8 18.Nh2 Nf6 19.Kh1 Nfe8 20.f4 f5 21.Nf3 fxe4 22.Bxe4 exf4 23.Bxf4 Nf6 24.Re2 Nxe4 25.Nxe4 Bxh3 26.gxh3 Nh5 27.Nd4 Nxf4 28.Rh2 Qd7 29.Rf1 Nxd5 30.Rxf8+ Rxf8 31.Ng5 Nf4 32.h4 Qg4 33.Ngf3 Nh5 34.Qf2 Qe4 35.Qe2 d5 36.Qxe4 dxe4 37.Ng5 Bxg5 38.hxg5 Ng3+ 39.Kg2 Nf5 40.Ne2 Rd8 41.Kf1 Rd2 42.b3 Rxa2 43.bxc4 bxc4 44.Rh3 a5 45.Nf4 a4 46.Nd5 Kf7 47.Rxh7+ Ke6 48.Nf4+ Kd6 49.Nxg6 Ng3+ 50.Ke1 e3 0-1

WORLD YOUTH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2005

The 2004 edition of the WYCC is returning to Heraklio, Crete, its site from two years ago; the tournament takes place November 3-14. The Canadian delegation will include three players from B.C., Alexandra Botez, Tiffany Tang, and Stefan Trandafir; we wish them, along with the whole Canadian team, the best of luck in the competition.

Intenet coverage will be at http://www.greekchess.com/wycc2004/wycc04.html, among other sites.

PAIRS 4000 FUNDRAISER by Bruce Harper

The second Pairs event of the year was held at the Student Union Building at the University of British Columbia on Sunday, October 25, 2004. The event raised \$280 for the Elod Macskasy Memorial fund, thanks to the UBC chess club's assistance in securing a rent-free site. The event was organized by Bruce Harper and directed by Katherine Davies.

Fifteen teams (30 players) took part in a five-round active event. The total time for each game was always one hour, with the time being allocated between the two teams according to the rating difference (30 minutes each, with one minute more or less for every 50 points separating the teams). The maximum time differential was 40 minutes to 20 minutes, which made quite a difference!

A number of strong players took part, along with a a host of supporting players. The lower-rated players made the difference, as the combined rating of a team could not exceed 4000, and everyone knows one bad move can spoil an entire game.

The event was won by Lucas Davies/Tiffany Tang, who scored four straight wins before making a no-play draw against Jim Ferguson/Lara Heppenstall shortly after Lara staggered back to the tournament hall after a three-hour absence because of a fiercely contested soccer game. Second place was taken by John Niksic/Ron Do, with four points.

If the attraction of chess is the battle of ideas, pairs chess is the game of the future, because each player not only has to try to figure out what the opponents are doing, but also what his or her partner is doing, which is often even more difficult.

After the tournament, it was fun to speculate why teams did well or not so well. A current B.C. Champion, who shall remain nameless, opined that Lucas and Tiffany won because Lucas' style is so straightforward and simple that no one could misunderstand what he was trying to do. My own view is that both Lucas and Tiffany are unrepentant materialists, and therefore benefited from having the same worldview. Many informed observers thought that Noam Davies/Travis Lane would do well, because their strengths were so even, but it turned out otherwise, perhaps because of the time

handicap. B.C. Champion Jack Yoos teamed with Laura Harper and had some excellent games, although in the end they scored two out of five. Speaking for myself, I realized during this event that my style is very hard to understand, even for me – and I have nothing but praise for my wonderful partner Lesley Cheng, who afterwards told me "Sometimes I don't understand your moves..." We managed to score three wins, two losses and five time scrambles.

The rules worked well, by the way, especially alternating every move (instead of every two moves) once a team was down to two minutes.

One idea for next time is to have a parallel "Pairs 3000" event, where the combined ratings of the players couldn't exceed 3000. This might induce more lower-rated players to form teams and join in the fun.

UBC TUESDAY NIGHT EVENTS - UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

After a brief hiatus the UBC Tuesday Night events have returned, and are now being run by Alfred Pechisker; The next event starts this coming Tuesday:

Dates: November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30.

Time & Location: 6:30 pm in room 215 in the SUB (6138 Student

Union Blvd)

Format: 5-Round Swiss with prizes for rating sections

Entry Fees: \$20, \$12 for Juniors.

New Time Controls: 1:30 per game plus 30 seconds per move!

New Bonus Feature: Participants get full access to the UBC chess club

chess library that includes dozens of books and a chess journal

collection spanning 20 years!

Please bring boards, sets, and digital chess clocks if you have them. If you have any questions contact Alfred Pechisker at apechi1@hotmail.com

VANCOUVER SEASONAL GRAND PRIX

Hi, my name's Ben Daswani. Throughout 2004 and 2005 I will be organizing four tournaments in Vancouver and together they form the Vancouver Seasonal Grand Prix.

Events

Fall Open - November 6 and 7, 2004.

Winter Open - February 12 and 13, 2005. Spring Open - May 7 and 8, 2005. Summer Open - June 25 and 26, 2005.

Event Information

<u>Location:</u> Simon Fraser University - rooms AQ 5025, AQ 5026 and AQ 5027 (the latter being the skittles room). A map of SFU as well as directions to SFU will be posted soon (probably by Wednesday, October 27).

Registration: 9:30 to 10:00am on Saturday.

Rounds: Four.

Round Times: 10:00am and 3:00pm on Saturday; 10:00 and ASAP on Sunday.

<u>Time Controls:</u> 30 moves in 90 minutes, game in 60 minutes.

<u>Format:</u> Swiss pairings. Accelerated Swiss if necessary.

Entry Fee: \$30. \$20 for juniors, seniors, masters and SFU students.

<u>Prizes:</u> All entry fees minus expenses (which includes 20% to go towards Grand Prix prize fund).

<u>Byes:</u> Maximum of two half-point byes (no byes in fourth round). <u>Contact:</u> Ben Daswani - 604 596 1606; <u>bndaswani@dccnet.com</u>.

For further information: http://www.geocities.com/vanseasonal/

2004 BC - WA MATCH

In the last century the chess rivalry between British Columbia and the State of Washington was the impetus for an annual international team match; the main series ran from 1944 to 1963, although there was also a special American Bicentennial edition in 1976. Last year this tradition was renewed in a 10-board adult team match at BCIT, resulting in a hard-fought victory for the home team (6-4). This year the match moved south of the border, to Bellingham, WA; excellent playing facitilies for the event were provided by Nick Paleveda of the 412(i) Company.

This year's Washington team was considerably stronger than last year's (average rating 2264, up from 2059 in 2003 - by comparison, B.C. dropped from 2260 to 2217). A good indicator of this increased strength were the relative positions of Elliott Neff, Nat Koons, and Curt Collyer; in 2003 they played the top three boards for Washington, but this year they found themselves on boards four, five, and ten respectively.

Despite being outrated on almost every board, the B.C. team still managed to win the match with an identical 6-4 score:

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5. Paul Brown (2246) 0-1 Nat Koons (2230)
6. Alfred Pechisker (2192) 1-0 David Bragg (2211)
7. Joe Oszvald (2172) 0-1 Bill McGeary (2219)
8. Nigel Fullbrook (2147) = Bobby Ferguson (2197)
9. Jim Ferguson (2125) = Bruce Kovalsky (2166)
10. Laszlo Tegzes (2051) 1-0 Curt Collyer (2187)
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[B.C. had White on the even-numbered boards]

Having the first move turned out to be a major advantage: of the eight decisive games, seven were won by White. The margin of victory turned out to be Fanhao Meng's win with the Black pieces on board 3. The B.C. score should have been even higher, but for some inexplicable reason Nigel Fullbrook avoided winning his game; despite giving back an extra piece and a passed a-pawn, he could still have won with 38 or 39.Qc6, but instead drew.

Thanks are in order to all the players, organizers Len Molden (B.C.) and Duane Polich (WA), TD Lynn Stringer, B.C. Captain Joe Oszvald, and Nick Paleveda. Planning is already underway for next year's event!

Photos and online games: http://www.chess.bc.ca/bordermatch.html

Tangborn, E - Schulte, O [A43] BC - WA m Bellingham (1), 24.10.2004

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 c5 3.d5 g6 4.Nc3 Bg7 5.e4 0-0 6.a4 d6 7.Be2 e6 8.0-0 exd5 9.exd5 Re8 10.Bg5 h6 11.Bh4 g5 12.Bg3 Nh5 13.Nd2 Nxg3 14.hxg3 Nd7 15.Ra3 Nb6 16.Bf3 Bf5 17.a5 Nd7 18.a6 Rb8 19.Nb5 Qb6 20.Rb3 Qxa6 21.Nc7 Qa4 22.Nxe8 Rxe8 23.Re1 Ne5 24.Be4 Bg4 25.Qa1 Qd4 26.Qc1 b6 27.Ra3 c4 28.c3 Qc5 29.Rxa7 f5 30.Bc2 Rf8 31.Qa1 f4 32.Ne4 Qxd5 33.gxf4 Rxf4 34.Qa6 Bf5 35.Nf6+ Bxf6 36.Bxf5 Qc5 37.Qc8+ Qxc8 38.Bxc8 Kf8 39.Be6 Nd3 40.Re2 Be5 41.g3 Rf6 42.Bxc4 1-0

Scoones,D - Schmidt,L [A42] BC - WA m Bellingham (2), 24.10.2004

1.Nf3 g6 2.c4 Bg7 3.e4 e5 4.d4 d6 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.d5 Nce7 7.Be2 f5 8.exf5 gxf5 9.Ng5 Ng6 10.h4 Nh6 11.Bh5 Qf6 12.Nb5 Kd7 13.Ne6 Nf4 14.Nbxc7 Nxe6 15.Nxe6 f4 16.g4 Ke7 17.g5 Qf5 18.gxh6 Qe4+ 19.Kd2 Bxe6 20.dxe6 Qd4+ 21.Kc2 Qxc4+ 22.Kb1 Bxh6 23.Re1 Qxe6 24.Bf3 Rad8 25.Bd5 Qg6+ 26.Re4 f3 27.Bxh6 Qxh6 28.Qxf3 Rhf8 29.Qe2 Rf4 30.Rxf4 Qxf4 31.Qh5 Rf8 32.Qxh7+ Ke8 33.a3 Qd4 34.Be6 Rxf2 35.Qd7+ Kf8 36.Qd8+ Kg7 37.Qg8+ Kh6 38.Qg5+ Kh7 39.Qg8+ Kh6 40.Qg5+ Kh7 41.Bf5+ Kh8 42.Qh6+ 1-0

Schill,W - Meng,F [B06] BC - WA m Bellingham (3), 24.10.2004

1.Nf3 g6 2.e4 Bg7 3.d4 d6 4.Nc3 Bg4 5.Bc4 Nf6 6.h3 Bxf3 7.Qxf3 Nc6 8.Bb5 Nd7 9.Bxc6 bxc6 10.Be3 Rb8 11.b3 e5 12.Rd1 Qe7 13.0-0 0-0

14.dxe5 Nxe5 15.Qg3 a5 16.Na4 Nd7 17.Rfe1 c5 18.c4 Qxe4 19.Bd2 Qa8 20.Re7 Rbd8 21.Nc3 Be5 22.f4 Bf6 23.Nd5 Bxe7 24.Nxe7+ Kg7 25.Bc3+ f6 26.f5 Rf7 27.Nd5 Ne5 28.Nf4 Re8 29.fxg6 hxg6 30.Bxe5 Rxe5 31.Qxg6+ Kf8 32.Nd5 Qd8 33.Rf1 f5 34.g4 Qh4 35.Nf4 Rf6 36.gxf5 Rexf5 37.Qxf5 Qg3+ 38.Ng2 Rxf5 39.Rxf5+ Kg7 40.h4 Qc3 41.Kh2 Qc2 42.Rg5+ Kf6 43.Rg3 a4 44.h5 a3 45.h6 Kf7 46.Rg7+ Kf8 47.Rxc7 Kg8 48.h7+ Kh8 49.Kg3 Qxa2 50.Nf4 Qb1 51.Kg4 Qxh7 52.Rxh7+ Kxh7 53.Nd5 a2 0-1

McLaren,B - Neff,E [C00] BC - WA m Bellingham (4), 24.10.2004

1.e4 e6 2.d3 d5 3.Nd2 Nf6 4.Ngf3 Nc6 5.g3 Bc5 6.Bg2 0-0 7.0-0 a5 8.c3 dxe4 9.Nxe4 Nxe4 10.dxe4 e5 11.Qc2 a4 12.Bd2 Qf6 13.Rfe1 Bg4 14.Be3 Qe7 15.h3 Be6 16.Bf1 f6 17.Kh2 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Ra5 19.Nd2 Qf7 20.Ree1 Rfa8 21.a3 Rc5 22.Qd3 Na5 23.Qe3 Qe7 24.Rad1 b6 25.Be2 Rd8 26.Nf1 Bb3 27.Rxd8+ Qxd8 28.Qf3 Rc6 29.Bd1 Rd6 30.Bxb3+ Nxb3 31.Kg2 Kf8 32.Ne3 Kg8 33.Qe2 Nc5 34.Qc4+ Kf8 35.Re2 c6 36.Qb4 Rd2 37.Rxd2 Qxd2 38.Qxb6 Nd3 39.Nf5 Ne1+ 40.Kf1 Qd3+ 41.Kxe1 Qxe4+ 42.Ne3 1-0

Koons,N - Brown,P [C17] BC - WA m Bellingham (5), 24.10.2004

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 Ne7 5.Bd2 c5 6.f4 Nf5 7.Nb5 Bxd2+ 8.Qxd2 a6 9.g4 axb5 10.Bxb5+ Bd7 11.Bxd7+ Nxd7 12.gxf5 Qh4+ 13.Qf2 Qxf2+ 14.Kxf2 exf5 15.Ne2 c4 16.Nc3 Nb6 17.a4 Rd8 18.b3 h5 19.a5 Na8 20.Rhb1 cxb3 21.Rxb3 Rh6 22.Rxb7 Rc6 23.Nb5 Rxc2+ 24.Ke3 Rxh2 25.Nd6+ Kf8 26.Rxf7+ Kq8 27.Rq1 1-0

Pechisker, A - Bragg, D [A59] BC - WA m Bellingham (6), 24.10.2004

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.cxb5 a6 5.bxa6 Bxa6 6.Nc3 g6 7.e4 Bxf1 8.Kxf1 d6 9.Nf3 Bg7 10.g3 0-0 11.Kg2 Qb6 12.Re1 Na6 13.Re2 Rfb8 14.h3 Nc7 15.a4 Qa5 16.Ra3 Rb4 17.b3 Qb6 18.Nd2 Nd7 19.Na2 Rd4 20.Qc2 Qa6 21.Nf3 Rd3 22.Ne1 c4 23.Nb4 Rc3 24.Nxa6 Rxc2 25.Rxc2 Nxa6 26.Rxc4 Ne5 27.Rc2 Nb4 28.Rc7 f5 29.f3 fxe4 30.fxe4 Bf6 31.Bf4 Na6 32.Rc2 Nd7 33.Nd3 g5 34.Be3 h6 35.b4 Kf7 36.b5 Nab8 37.a5 e6 38.a6 exd5 39.exd5 Ne5 40.Nxe5+ dxe5 41.a7 Nd7 42.b6 1-0

McGeary,B - Oszvald,J [B06] BC - WA m Bellingham (7), 24.10.2004

1.d4 g6 2.e4 Bg7 3.c3 d6 4.Nf3 Nd7 5.Bc4 e6 6.0-0 Ne7 7.Re1 0-0 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bf4 g5 10.Be3 d5 11.exd5 exd5 12.Bb3 c6 13.c4 dxc4 14.Bxc4 Nb6 15.Bb3 Nbd5 16.Nc3 Nxe3 17.fxe3 Bg4 18.Qd3 Qd7 19.Qf1 Rae8 20.Ne4 Nf5 21.Ne5 Rxe5 22.dxe5 Bxe5 23.h3 Bh5 24.g4 Bg6 25.Rad1 Qc8 26.gxf5 Bxf5 27.Nd6 Bxd6 28.Rxd6 Bxh3 29.Qf3 Bg4 30.Qg3 h5 31.Qe5 Qf5 32.Qxf5 Bxf5 33.e4 Bh7 34.Rd7 g4 35.e5 g3 36.e6 fxe6 37.Rxe6 1-0

Fullbrook,N - Ferguson,R [B22] BC - WA m Bellingham (8), 24.10.2004

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.c3 d5 4.exd5 Qxd5 5.d4 Nf6 6.Be3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e6 8.Nc3 Qd6 9.Bc4 Be7 10.0-0 0-0 11.a3 Rd8 12.Rc1 b6 13.Qe2 Bb7 14.Rfd1 Na5 15.Ba6 Nd5 16.b4 Bxa6 17.Qxa6 Nc6 18.Nxd5 exd5 19.Rc3 Bf6 20.Rdc1 Ne7 21.Rc7 h6 22.Rxa7 Rxa7 23.Qxa7 Rc8 24.Rxc8+ Nxc8 25.Qa8 Qe6 26.a4 Kh7 27.a5 bxa5 28.bxa5 Nd6 29.h3 Nc4 30.Bf4 Bxd4 31.Nxd4 Qe1+ 32.Kh2 Qxf2 33.Ne2 Qxe2 34.Qxd5 Qf1 35.Qe4+ Kh8 36.a6 Nb6 37.Bc7 Qxa6 38.Qe8+ Kh7 39.Qxf7 Nc4 ½-½

Kovalsky,B - Ferguson,J [E87] BC - WA m Bellingham (9), 24.10.2004

1.d4 d6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 Nf6 5.f3 0-0 6.Be3 e5 7.d5 Nh5 8.Qd2 Qh4+ 9.g3 Nxg3 10.Qf2 Nxf1 11.Qxh4 Nxe3 12.Qf2 Nxc4 13.b3 Nb6 14.Nge2 Na6 15.0-0 Bd7 16.a4 Rae8 17.a5 Nc8 18.Rab1 Nb4 19.Nc1 f5 20.N1a2 Nd3 21.Qc2 Nf4 22.Kh1 a6 23.Nb4 Na7 24.Nd3 Nxd3 25.Qxd3 Bb5 26.Nxb5 Nxb5 27.Rbc1 Bh6 28.Rc4 Re7 29.exf5 Rxf5 30.Rh4 Bg5 31.Rg4 Ref7 32.Kg2 Bf4 33.Kh1 Kg7 34.Rfg1 Nd4 35.Rf1 Bh6 36.Kg2 Bf4 37.Rf2 h5 38.Rh4 Kh6 39.Rh3 g5 40.b4 Kg6 41.Qe4 Kh6 42.Ra2 R5f6 43.Qd3 Rg6 44.Kh1 Rgf6 45.Qd1 Nb5 ½-½

Tegzes,L - Collyer,C [C01] BC - WA m Bellingham (10), 24.10.2004

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 exd5 4.Bd3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Bd6 6.0-0 Bg4 7.Re1+ Nge7 8.c3 Qd7 9.Nbd2 0-0 10.Nf1 h6 11.Ng3 f5 12.Qc2 f4 13.Nf1 Bxf3 14.gxf3 Nf5 15.Bxf5 Rxf5 16.Qe2 Rf6 17.Nd2 Ne7 18.c4 c6 19.c5 Qh3 20.Qf1 Qxf1+ 21.Kxf1 Nf5 22.cxd6 Nxd4 23.d7 Kf7 24.b3 Rd6 25.Re8 Rxe8 26.dxe8Q+ Kxe8 27.Bb2 Ne6 28.Re1 Kf7 29.b4 b6 30.Nb3 c5 31.bxc5 bxc5 32.Ba3 Ra6 33.Bxc5 Nxc5 34.Nxc5 Rxa2 35.Nd3 g5 36.Nb4 Ra5 37.Nc6 Ra6 38.Nb4 Rd6 39.Ra1 Rd7 40.Nc6 Kf6 41.Rxa7 Rd6 42.Ra6 h5 43.Nb4 Rxa6 44.Nxa6 g4 45.Ke2 Kg5 46.Nc7 Kh4 47.Nxd5 Kg5 48.Ne7 Kf6 49.Nc6 Kg5 50.Nd4 Kf6 51.Kd3

VANCOUVER SATURDAY NIGHT SWISS by Eduardo Azmitia

With a perfect score, junior Ivan Petrov got the first place in the lower section of the Vancouver Saturday Night Swiss (5th edition). In the last round, Ivan with the white pieces defeated Roberto Mejia; Ivan dominated the game right from the opening (Queen's Gambit Declined), and got a winning position with relative ease. Second place went to Arik Milner who had a very good tournament as well. He is also a junior player, but do not be fooled: his current rating is merely 1141, but this kid has been getting the heads of much older and senior players who are rated in the 1600-1700 range at UBC.

In addition to prize money based on entries from his section, Ivan gets a \$15.00 dollar certificate from Chess First! Enterprises and a \$25.00 dollar gift certificate from Strategy Games with minimum purchase of \$75.00.

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In the last round of the upper section, Hee Seid lost to Lucas Davies, and Andrei Kostin managed to pull a draw against the very knowledgeable Roman Jiganchine. The combination of these two results means that Seid and Roman can not get first place, regardless of the outcome of the game between Savvas Kyriakides and Noam Davies. This was postponed due to unforeseen circumstances, but it is a very much anticipated game, as both players very deservedly will battle for the first place. Ben Daswani and Mathew Struthers played a very exciting game in which Ben eventually prevailed. Both players had about minute and a half for more than 15 moves (one of the benefits of increments). I guess bug and blitz helped Ben on this one.

On the other two boards, it was a day for the experienced. Veteran Willian Jung avenged his previous loses with junior Louie Jiang by totally overwhelming him in one of Louie's pet variations of the Sicilian Dragon. Manuel Escandor also got a point from Tiffany Tang who also had a not particularly succesfull day with a similar type of position (can not remember if position came from a Sicilian Dragon or KID complex).

The 1st place of this section will get a Chess CD courtesy of Chess First Enterprises.

Crosstables:

http://www3.telus.net/chessvancouver/swiss_results.htm#SW5

Struthers,M - Daswani,B [B06] Saturday Swiss #5 Vancouver (5), 23.10.2004 [Ben Daswani] - thanks, Ben!

So at the end of this game, Stephen's all like, "Are you going to annotate this game for the Bulletin?" and I'm all like, "Seriously? There were a lot of mistakes." and then Stephen was like, "Yeah, but it was interesting." so I'm all like, "All right." and so I did. Please excuse any errors in my annotations as I haven't proofed any of this with a computer.

1.e4 g6 2.f4 d6 3.d4 Bg7 I usually don't play this but I was feeling festive. 4.Nf3 Bg4 5.c3 Nd7 6.h3 I'm not sure about this move. I mean, there doesn't look like there's anything wrong with it but, I mean, if I'm playing for e5 (which I was and, although my opponent didn't know this, it is one of only a few possible plans for me in this position) I maybe want to take the knight anyway, especially if my opponent had played 6.Be2 or something. Then the knight's not pinned anymore and I'll probably take it before the position gets too funky. Maybe it's just me, but I think Be2 was more logical. **6...Bxf3 7.Qxf3 e5 8.dxe5** This may be another preferential thing, but I think that maybe this move is bad. It seems to me that the pawn would be strong on d5, especially after 8.fxe5 fxe5 9.d5 followed by c4 at some point. I don't think my opponent gets much play with 8.dxe5. 8...dxe5 9.f5 Nc5 10.g3 To defend against Qh4+ of course. 10...Nf6 11.Nd2 Here I thought my position was pretty good since it doesn't seem like my queen's control of the d-file will be contested any time soon and my opponents pieces seem somewhat... without any flow. They're not developed and it doesn't look like he can easily fix this problem before I launch an attack. 11...Qd7 12.b4 Na4 13.g4 0-0-0? I don't know if a question mark should be here. In hindsight, I guess, I didn't like my pieces being kicked around by my opponent's kingside pawns, but completely ignoring my opponent's plan and moving with reckless judgement is my style, so I guess that's how it goes. 14.g5 Nh5 Here it's interesting. I mean, both my knights are on the edge and "a knight on the rim is grim", right? But I don't mind it. I like my knights. I think their "grimness" is deceiving... 15.f6 Bf8 16.Nc4 h6?!

I didn't (don't) know how to assess this move. I did it to induce 17.h4 (which it did) because I wanted to potentially give myself space for my queen to infiltrate and attack (i.e. on g4). I was looking at sacking my knight on c3 and just going for an all-out attack but too much stuff happened before I got around to it. Anyway, in the end, I think the space 17.h4 gave my opponent was more important than the space it gave me. For instance, he's now threatening Bh3 and eventually he actually played Rh3. 17.h4 Qc6 Threatening Nxc3 followed by Qxe4+ if White plays Qxc3. 18.Rh3 Qe6 Here my plan was sort of... dying and

stuff. And I was getting really low on time (I'm slow). 19.Rh2 Kb8 20.Rd2 I guess this was a difficult junction. I mean, taking the rook gives my opponent 21.Bxd2 which clearly aids his development but what else is there? I didn't want to give up my other bishop with Bd6 (even though it wasn't doing anything... I just didn't want to give it up. And it ended up being very useful) and moving the rook and conceding the file just looks wrong. 20...Rxd2 21.Bxd2 Nf4 Is this move alright? Maybe. 22.Bxf4 exf4 23.Nd2? I guess my opponent was setting up Bc4. But here I thought 23.Rd1 **must** be strong. I mean, what do I do? Bd6? Then Nxd6 leaves me with a pretty wack pawn structure, eh? I don't know. I know I was really happy when he didn't play Rd1 though. 23...hxg5 24.hxg5 Now I thought I was better. I mean, I have the c3 target and now I have the q5 target. 24...Bd6 And now **my** pieces are all safe, it seems. I thought I was doing very well here. Maybe I was. I screwed up soon, though. 25.Rc1 Rh5 26.Bc4 Qd7 27.Qf1 An appropriate thought here would be, "Why did my opponent play Qf1?" but I didn't really think that. 27...Be5?? I don't know why I did that... I mean, Rxg5 just takes free stuff and stops the Bb5 threat. And I'd seen the potentional Bb5 threat earlier in the game and had made a mental note to watch out for it. I guess I got confused or something. 28.Bb5 Qe6 29.Bxa4 Qxa2 30.Bd1? This move just **seems** bad. I mean, he's up a piece but I almost don't mind anymore. His pieces are all squashed and my three pieces are on beautiful squares. They're doing things. After the game my opponent suggested that 30.Nf3 was better and at the time I agreed but now upon looking at it I see there is simply 30...Bxc3+ 31.Rxc3 Qa1+ and kablammo (the king can't defend the queen and the rook). Honestly, I don't know what the best move for white was, but at the time I thought 30.Bb3 was the best. It's not too great either though, I mean, I get some counterplay with 30...Qb2. If 31.Rb1 then Qxc3 and now I'm threatening 32...Rh2. But white can maybe play 32.Qg2. I can't play Qxb4 cause of Bd1 and think if I try 32...f3 then 33.Qxf3 Qxf3 34.Nxf3 Rh1+ 35.Kd2 Rxb2 36.Bc2 Rxb4 37.Nxe5 and 38.Nxf7 is unstoppable and White is just crushing. So maybe 30.Bb3 was better. White gets the piece for two pawns and I don't think Black has too much counterplay. **30...Rxg5!!** Why two exclams? Because it's tricky. And because I only had about a minute. Pretty tricky for a minute, eh? 31.Nf3 This looks logical. It seems like it just wins. 31...Rg2!! But it doesn't win. I someone managed to stumble into a winning position. Rg2 looks all threatening (and it is) because the knight can't take the bishop and what else is there to do? Well, 32.Be2 doesn't work because I have 32...Bxc3+ 33.Rxc3 Qa1+ 34.Kd2 Qxf1 (and White's bishop is pinned). In fact, any bishop move for White leads to this. Any knight move obviously loses and Rc2 leaves itself en prise, obviously (and any other rook move allows Bxc3+). So that leaves pawn moves or gueen moves. Well after Qh1, I just give my king an escape square and White has the same problem. So pretty much, White can march his queenside pawns uselessly while I push the g-pawn up to victory. Shocking. 32.Qxg2 This, therefore, is his only alternative. 32...Qxg2 33.Rc2 If 33.Nxe5 then 33...Qxe4+, of course, and obviously trading the knight for the bishop benefits me. At this point we both had under a minute (thankfully, though, with 30 second increments per move) and so even though I was clearly winning it was tense and I was left with a

feeling of insecurity... I'll give the rest of the game for the sake of completion (and to mention a couple of things). 33...Qg3+ 34.Kd2 Bxf6 35.Kc1 g5 36.e5 Tricky! (Especially tricky since my opponent had less than a minute.) If 36...Bxe5 then 37.Nxe5 Qe3+ 38.Rd2 and I can't take the knight back because of the back rank mate! 36...Be7 37.Rh2 a6 38.Rh8+ Ka7 39.Kc2 g4 40.Rg8 Qf2+ 41.Nd2 g3 42.Bf3 Qe3 43.Rg7 Qxe5 44.Rxf7 Bd6 45.Nc4 Qe6 46.Nxd6 Qxd6 47.Rg7 Qe5 48.Rd7 Qe1 49.Rd2 Kb6 50.c4 c6 51.c5+ Kb5 52.Kc3 Okay, here I thought, "Yes, I have Qe3+ now, victory has been achieved." But there is actually a better move (I didn't bother looking): 52...Qc1+ 53.Rc2 (53.Kd3 Qc4#) Qe3+ and w00t, a free bishop. 52...Qe3+ 53.Rd3 Qxf3 Sassy, yo. 54.Rxf3 g2 55.Rxf4 g1/Q 0-1

VANCOUVER GRAND PRIX #2

Twenty-seven players took part in the second Grand Prix event of the season, held at the Vancouver Bridge Centre on October 17. Fanhao Meng won the Open section with a perfect score, followed by Slaven Mandic with 2.5/3; other prizewinners were Stefan Trandafir, Tiffany Tang, Sterling Dietz, and Thomas Witecki. Richard Huang won the six-player U1500 Section; Stoyan Petrov came second, and Michael Wee won the U1200 prize. Donovan Zhao took the first-place trophy in the Booster Section with 6/7; David Choi and Marko Mitrovic also won trophies.

IMPORTANT!! Grand Prix #3 (November 14th), originally scheduled for the Vancouver Bridge Centre, will instead take place at St. John's School, 2215 10th Avenue West, Vancouver. We hopr to see you all there (the Open Section is open to adults as well as juniors).

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

Nov. 14 Island Junior Open #3

Nov. 14 Vancouver Grand Prix #3

Nov. 26-28 B.C. Junior Championship, Vancouver

Dec 12 Victoria City Championship

UBC November Tuesday Night Swiss

Dates: November 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30

Place: UBC

Type: 5-round Swiss

Vancouver Seasonal Grand Prix

Date: November 6, 7

Place: Simon Fraser University

Type: 4-round Swiss

Silver Star Challenge (Interior Qualifier)

Date: Nov. 13 & 14

Place: Holiday Inn Express, 4716 34th St., Vernon

Type: 5-round Swiss

Vancouver Grand Prix #3

Date: November 14

Place: Vancouver Bridge Centre

Type: 3-round Swiss

Jack Taylor Memorial

Date: November 20-21 Place: University of Victoria

Type: 5-round Swiss

Vancouver League Qualifier #2

Dates: November 20, 27 & December 4, 11, 18

Place: Vancouver Bridge Centre

Type: 5-round Swiss

Vancouver League Qualifier #3

Dates: January 8, 15, 22, 28 & February 5, 2005

Place: Vancouver Bridge Centre

Type: 5-round Swiss

Vancouver Team Tournament

Dates: January 15, 16

Place: UBS SUB, rooms 214/216 Type: 5-round Swiss or round robin

Don McAdam Memorial

Date: January 22-23

Place: University of Victoria

Type: 5-round Swiss

Vancouver League Qualifier #4

Dates: March 19, 26 & April 2, 9, 16, 2005

Place: Vancouver Bridge Centre

Type: 5-round Swiss

Daffodil Open

Date: April 23-24

Place: University of Victoria

Type: 5-round Swiss

Island Open

Date: June 11-12

Place: University of Victoria

Type: 5-round Swiss