BCCF E-MAIL BULLETIN #8

This will be the last complete bulletin of 2002. The next scheduled publication date would be December 25th; for obvious reasons there will be no publication on that day, but instead a few days later I will send out just the tournament announcements and perhaps a few chess problems. Watch for the next full bulletin on January 8th, 2003.

Let me take this opportunity to wish everyone seasonal greetings and a happy new year!

Stephen Wright

B.C. - WASHINGTON SCHOLASTIC MATCH

The 12th edition of this annual international junior match, played at History House, Seattle on December 7th, was won resoundingly by Team Washington 30.5 - 17.5. Despite playing White in Round 1 the B.C. team was outscored 2-1 (16.0 - 8.0), and faired little better in Round 2 (9.5 - 14.5), resulting in the lopsided victory for the home side. Washington thus gained revenge for the dramatic come-from-behind B.C. win last year.

Bright spots for B.C. were Thomas Chow (Grade 4), Noam Davies (Grade 6), Valentina Goutor (Grade 8), Fanhao Meng and Lucas Davies (both Grade 9) and Gavin Atkinson (Grade 12), all of whom won both their games. Unfortunately for B.C. Alec Ho and Nicholas Orlov (both Grade 1 - Nicholas is the son of IM Georgi Orlov), Michael Omori (Grade 2), Igor Ummel and Michael Lee (both Grade 3), Kyle Rieb (Grade 5), Meir Lakhovsky (Grade 7), Prithvi Shankar (Grade 10), and Sam Haynor (Grade 11) achieved the same feat for Washington.

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 (Washington).

Individual results and some photos at the K-12 web site (see below).

JUNIOR SPEED AND SIAMESE TOURNAMENTS by Bruce Harper

On December 8, 2002, about 25 players took part in the B.C. Junior Speed Championship and the B.C. Junior Siamese Championship qualifying tournament, as well as enjoying pizza and other delectables at the annual junior Christmas party.

The B.C. Junior Speed Championship consisted of a 10-round Swiss with a twist

- in the first five rounds, a single game was played, and in the last five rounds, two games were played each round. Thus 15 games were played by each participant. The top four advanced to a final double-round robin, with the scores from the Swiss being carried over.

Here were the results by age categories:

17 +Gavin Atkinson 11.5 15-16 Ben Daswani 9.0 13-14 Valentina Goutor 10.0 Lucas Davies 9.0 Lane V. 8.5 Jamie Harper 8.0 Andrea Cheng 7.5 Andrey Kostin 7.5 Winston Ho 6.0 Neil Atkinson 4.5 11-12 Noam Davies 10.5 Brad Wong 9.0 Tiffany Tang 7.5 Lesley Cheng 7.5 Laura Harper 7.0 Danny Yu 7.0 Sterling Dietz 6.0 Alisa Young 5.0 9-10 Bryan Young 8.0 Thomas Witecki 8.0 Kyle King 5.0

Evgeni Goutor, who played as an honorary junior, scored 7.5 points, only 2.5 points behind his daughter Valentina - easily beating the point spread.

Gavin Atkinson, Valentina Goutor and Noam Davies were joined in the final by Brad Wong, who defeated Ben Daswani and Lucas Davies in a playoff. Gavin, taking a one-point lead into the final, ultimately won the overall B.C. Junior Speed Championship.

The following players will have their names engraved on the prestigious Dives, Grauer and Harper B.C. Junior Speed Championship perpetual trophy, which was generously donated last year by the law firm of Dives, Grauer and Harper:

Overall Champion: Gavin Atkinson

15-16 Ben Daswani

13-14 Valentina Goutor

11-12 Noam Davies

9-10 Bryan Young (Thomas Witecki was ineligible, being from the U.S.)

0-8 No competitors

The B.C. Junior Siamese Championship was held in the afternoon, but due to a late start it wasn't possible to hold the finals. Five rounds were played, with six games per round (in groups of four), for a total of 30 games.

Here are the results by age categories:

17+

Gavin Atkinson 23

15-16

Ben Daswani 18

13-14

Lucas Davies 17

Lane V. 9

Jamie Harper 15

Andrea Cheng 14

Andrey Kostin 14

Winston Ho 14

Neil Atkinson 11

11-12

Noam Davies 8

Brad Wong 16

Tiffany Tang 15

Lesley Cheng 16

Laura Harper 13

Danny Yu 18

Sterling Dietz 9

Alisa Young 12

Cameron Miller 11

9-10

Bryan Young 15

Thomas Witecki 9

Kyle King 8

Former juniors

Bruce Harper 23

Tyler Johnson 20

Dave Peters 9

Gavin Atkinson, Ben Daswani, Bruce Harper and Tyler Johnson (the latter two eligible under BCCF rules as former juniors [???? ed.]) qualified for the four-person final, to be played over the Christmas holidays.

The age category winners for the B.C. Junior Siamese tournament, whose names will be immortalized on the Siamese perpetual trophy, were:

15-16 Ben Daswani

13-14 Lucas Davies

11-12 Danny Yu

9-10 Bryan Young

0-8 No competitors

NEW WEB SITES (at least new to me!)

K-12 Chess Association of B.C. - tournament announcements and information concerning junior chess, from the K-12 association.

Lower Mainland Chess Team Results - individual results from the Lower mainland chess club team championship.

www.chess4us.dynu.com - a free site, provided by Barry Bell, for chess instructors and masters.

THIRTY YEARS AGO by Bruce Harper

For the holiday season, here is a dubious gift - an endgame composition which I authored 30 years ago. I had forgotten about it, so I don't feel responsible for any aesthetic or analytical flaws which it might contain.



White to play and win.

(Yes, Black does have two queens, at least to start).

E-mail your solutions to the editor. If you "cook" the problem, by finding a draw or win for Black, let us know! The solution will appear next year...

UPCOMING EVENTS

Upcoming junior events:

January 5 Vancouver Grand Prix #4

January 12 Island Junior Open #4

January 26 BCIT Junior Open

February 1 Elementary Team Championship

February 9 Island Junior Open #5

February 16 Vancouver Grand Prix #5

February 22 Secondary Team Championship

For details visit British Columbia Chess Federation or Greater Victoria Junior Chess

UBC Tuesday Night Swiss - January - February 2003

Dates: January 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th, February 4th Place: UBC Student Union Building, Room 212 Rounds: 5 round Swiss System (one round per week) Time: Round 1; a.s.a.p. after 7pm, Rounds 2-5 6:30pm Time Control: 40 moves / 90 minutes, game / 60 minutes Entry Fee: \$15, \$12 UBC CC members (available at site), \$8 juniors, \$Free to

masters and those joining CFC/BCCF for the first time

Registration: 6:30 - 7 pm before round 1

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

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

Misc: half point byes available for rounds 1-4 when requested at least 24 hours before game time (in person or by phone only please - no e-mail bye

requests!) Please bring sets, clocks, etc.

Dan MacAdam Memorial Tournament

Date: January 18th and January 19th 2003

Type: 5 Round Swiss

Entry Fee: \$35 Regular, \$25 for Juniors Prize Fund: 100% of EF minus Expenses

CFC Rated

Time Control 40/90 minutes - SD/1 Hour

Location: University of Victoria, Human & Social Development Building, Room

A-260

Registration: January 18th 8:30AM at the site.

Organizer & TD: Lynn Stringer

Contact: Lynn Stringer at lynnstringer@shaw.ca; Tel (250) 658 5207

Kelowna Winter Fest

Dates: Feb. 8 & 9, 2003 Type: 5 Round Swiss Times: 9/2/7; 9/asap

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

(250) 860-6409

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

Prizes: BEN

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UBC Tuesday Night Swiss - February - March 2003

Dates: February 11th, February 18th, February 25th, March 4th, March 11th

Place: UBC Student Union Building, Room 212 Rounds: 5 round Swiss System (one round per week) Time: Round 1; a.s.a.p. after 7pm, Rounds 2-5 6:30pm Time Control: 40 moves / 90 minutes, game / 60 minutes

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UBC Tuesday Night Swiss - March - April 2003

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Kitsilano Beach FIDE tournament

Date: March 28-30, 2003

Place: SPEC, 2150 Maple Street, Vancouver, BC

Rds: 5

Type: Regular 6-player RR, CFC & FIDE rated Times: 6:30pm/10am, 3pm/10am, ASAP

TC: FIDE 90+30

EF: \$40 FIDE rated, \$50 FIDE unrated

Prizes: 1st \$140 plus Fritz 8 software, all players receive CB CD prizes Reg: interested FIDE rated players and ambitious unrated players please

e-mail: chessfm@shaw.ca

TD & Org: Vas Sladek, 604-982-0611

Misc: no smoking

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Enterprises www.northshorechess.com

English Bay FIDE Tournament

Date: April 25-27, 2003

Place: SPEC, 2150 Maple Street, Vancouver, BC

Rds: 5

Type: Regular 6-player RR, CFC & FIDE rated

Times: 6:30pm/10am, 3pm/10am, ASAP

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