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Your editor welcomes welcome any and all submissions - news of upcoming events, tournament reports, and anything else that might be of interest to B.C. players. Thanks to all who contributed to this issue.

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LABOUR DAY OPEN

Further details from this second annual event held at the home of the Langley Chess Club have yet to emerge, but for now here is the crosstable (the one rated by the CFC is inaccurate) and a game submitted by Dan Scoones.

| # | Name | ID | Rtng | Rd 1 | Rd 2 | Rd 3 | Rd 4 | Rd 5 | Rd 6 | Tot |
|----|------------------------|--------|------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-----|
| 1 | Vicente Lee | 139333 | 2344 | W18 | W19 | W8 | D4 | W2 | W9 | 5.5 |
| 2 | Bindi Cheng | 141968 | 2336 | W23 | W3 | W13 | W6 | L1 | W4 | 5.0 |
| 3 | Yiming Han | 142321 | 1920 | W36 | L2 | W34 | W22 | W6 | W10 | 5.0 |
| 4 | Dan Scoones | 103414 | 2254 | W33 | W11 | W22 | D1 | W5 | L2 | 4.5 |
| 5 | Paul Burke | 103296 | 2041 | D27 | W40 | W16 | W17 | L4 | W12 | 4.5 |
| 6 | Brian McLaren | 100088 | 2262 | W32 | W14 | W21 | L2 | L3 | W17 | 4.0 |
| 7 | Pavel Trochtchanovitch | 143763 | 2021 | W34 | L21 | W18 | L11 | W27 | W20 | 4.0 |
| 8 | Savvas Kyriakides | 137615 | 2012 | W28 | W15 | L1 | L20 | W22 | W25 | 4.0 |
| 9 | Paul Leblanc | 101186 | 1943 | W35 | D16 | D17 | W21 | W11 | L1 | 4.0 |
| 10 | Arie Milner | 139576 | 1935 | W29 | L22 | W26 | W25 | W20 | L3 | 4.0 |
| 11 | Jofrei Landingin | 141991 | 1851 | W31 | L4 | W24 | W7 | L9 | W21 | 4.0 |
| 12 | Joshua Cruz | new | unr. | L22 | W31 | W15 | W19 | W13 | L5 | 4.0 |
| 13 | Roger Patterson | 103043 | 2250 | W26 | W20 | L2 | D14 | L12 | W27 | 3.5 |
| 14 | Yifei Han | 142320 | 1857 | W44 | L6 | W28 | D13 | L17 | W26 | 3.5 |
| 15 | Anca Datcu-Romano | 106380 | 1843 | W37 | L8 | L12 | W30 | D16 | W29 | 3.5 |
| 16 | Tanraj Sohal | 135830 | 1801 | W38 | D9 | L5 | D33 | D15 | W28 | 3.5 |
| 17 | Changhe Li | 139187 | 1801 | W41 | W24 | D9 | L5 | W14 | L6 | 3.5 |
| 18 | Brian Davidson | 110646 | 1776 | L1 | W29 | L7 | D24 | W36 | W31 | 3.5 |
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| 19 | Phil Harris | 112311 | 1922 | W30 | L1 | D27 | L12 | D29 | W33 | 3.0 |
|----|--------------------|--------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 20 | Peter Yee | 101701 | 1845 | W39 | L13 | W36 | W8 | L10 | L7 | 3.0 |
| 21 | Jack Cheng | 133192 | 1843 | W43 | W7 | L6 | L9 | W33 | L11 | 3.0 |
| 22 | Alexandra Botez | 132416 | 1797 | W12 | W10 | L4 | L3 | L8 | W32 | 3.0 |
| 23 | Marionito Jose | 120077 | 1767 | L2 | D30 | W35 | L27 | D24 | W34 | 3.0 |
| 24 | Donovan Zhao | 137569 | 1529 | W42 | L17 | L11 | D18 | D23 | W37 | 3.0 |
| 25 | Manuel Escandor | 137035 | 1824 | U | D27 | W37 | L10 | W34 | L8 | 2.5 |
| 26 | Robert Hamm | 108361 | 1686 | L13 | W43 | L10 | D36 | W39 | L14 | 2.5 |
| 27 | Juni Severo Caluza | 104730 | 1674 | D5 | D25 | D19 | W23 | L7 | L13 | 2.5 |
| 28 | Stewart Paulson | 128609 | 1614 | L8 | W38 | L14 | D31 | W30 | L16 | 2.5 |
| 29 | Alex Sabaratnam | 134610 | 1540 | L10 | L18 | W38 | W32 | D19 | L15 | 2.5 |
| 30 | Dennis Gairdner | 133475 | 1514 | L19 | D23 | W40 | L15 | L28 | W39 | 2.5 |
| 31 | Jason Lohner | 144557 | 1368 | L11 | L12 | W39 | D28 | W35 | L18 | 2.5 |
| 32 | Hugh Long | 101351 | 1766 | L6 | L36 | W41 | L29 | W40 | L22 | 2.0 |
| 33 | Duane Angelvette | 120112 | 1688 | L4 | D39 | W43 | D16 | L21 | L19 | 2.0 |
| 34 | Brian Sullivan | 103750 | 1671 | L7 | W41 | L3 | W40 | L25 | L23 | 2.0 |
| 35 | Peter Lai | 144566 | 1566 | L9 | D42 | L23 | W37 | L31 | D36 | 2.0 |
| 36 | Dylan Parker | 140990 | 1420 | L3 | W32 | L20 | D26 | L18 | D35 | 2.0 |
| 37 | Ed Enns | 122461 | 1331 | L15 | В | L25 | L35 | W38 | L24 | 2.0 |
| 38 | Adrian Rodrigues | new | unr. | L16 | L28 | L29 | W41 | L37 | W43 | 2.0 |
| 39 | John Doknjas | 141225 | 1353 | L20 | D33 | L31 | W43 | L26 | L30 | 1.5 |
| 40 | Alex Datcur-Romano | 144090 | 1018 | В | L5 | L30 | L34 | L32 | D41 | 1.5 |
| 41 | Andrew Hoyer | new | unr. | L17 | L34 | L32 | L38 | D43 | D40 | 1.0 |
| 42 | Stefan Trandafir | 123845 | 1927 | L24 | D35 | U | U | U | U | 0.5 |
| 43 | Daniel Vieira | new | unr. | L21 | L26 | L33 | L39 | D41 | L38 | 0.5 |
| 44 | Omar Jessa | 137587 | 1404 | L14 | U | U | U | U | U | 0.0 |

Scoones, Dan - Landingin, Jofrel [C64] Labour Day op Langley (2), 01.09.2007

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Bc5 4.c3 d6?!

Also possible is 4...Nf6. I once played 4...f5!? against FM Bruce Harper and held the draw after several adventures. **5.d4 exd4 6.cxd4 Bb4+ 7.Nc3?!**

White is doing fine after this routine move but far more incisive was 7.Kf1! when surprisingly enough Black cannot prevent the loss of a piece. **7...Bd7 8.0-0 Nce7?!** I was ready to meet 8...Nf6 with 9.e5 but this was the moment for 8...a6! **9.Bc4! h6?**

Mandatory was 9...Bxc3 10.bxc3 Nf6 but with two bishops and a strong pawn centre White would have an enduring initiative. The text loses material and leaves Black in a hopeless position. **10.Qb3 Bxc3 11.Bxf7+ Kf8 12.bxc3 Nc6 13.Bxg8?!**

Much stronger was 13.Bh5 Be8 14.Bxe8 Kxe8 15.Qxb7, when Black does not have even a hint of counterplay. After the text move White must play carefully to neutralise Black's bishop. **13...Rxg8**

14.Qxb7 Rb8 15.Qa6 Rb6 16.Qd3 g5 17.e5 Kg7 18.exd6 cxd6 19.d5 Ne7 19...Ne5 20.Nxe5 dxe5 21.c4 is hopeless for Black. 20.Be3 Rb7 21.c4 Bf5 22.Qc3+ Kh7 23.Nd4 Bg6 24.Ne6 Qc8 25.Rac1 Here I noticed the shot 25.Bxg5!? but rejected it on account of 25...Be4 when Black has a counterattack

against White's king. It's actually not dangerous, but why give him even a glimmer of hope? **25...Nf5 26.Qa3 Qb8 27.Rc3 Nh4 28.Rb3 Rxb3 29.axb3** Black's game continues to deteriorate and his only chance is a counterattack against White's kingside. **29...Bf7 30.Nd4 Qc8 31.Qxd6!** If 31.Qxa7 Qg4 32.Qxf7+ Rg7 White has to give up his queen and after 33.Qxg7+ Kxg7 34.g3 Nf3+ 35.Nxf3 Qxf3 36.b4 Black has one last shot at counterplay with ...h5-h4-h3. **31...Qg4 32.Qg3 Qe4 33.h3 Bh5 34.Ra1 Rg7 35.Ne6 Rf7**

In the post-mortem we agreed that the last chance was 35...Nf5!? e.g. 36.Qh2 Nxe3 37.Nxg7 Qd4! and White still has work to do; but much simpler is 36.Qb8, adding the resource Nf8+ to White's arsenal. **36.Rxa7!?**

Here I spent some time looking at 36.Qxg5!? but since White is already up several pawns I decided the text was simpler and more thematic. The exchange of rooks destroys the last traces of Black's counterplay and leaves him able to resign anytime with a clear conscience. **36...Rxa7 37.Bxa7 Bf7 38.Nc5 Qb1+ 39.Kh2 Qa2 40.Bb6 Ng6 41.Ne6 Qc2 42.Bd4 Qf5 43.Qe3 Bg8 44.Bc3 Nf4 45.Nxf4 1-0**

HERE AND THERE

LOUIE JIANG

Junior Louie Jiang has departed this province for Westmount, Quebec (near Montreal) - good luck in your future endeavours, Louie!

SUPERFEST

Held in August, this meeting of chess challenge champions from across Canada and North America included one B.C. representative, Tanraj Sohal. He finished clear second in his section with 4.5/6 - congratulations! (There seems to be some confusion about the grades on link below; in August the participants in Tanraj's section would have completed grade 5 and were about to enter grade 6.)

http://chesstalk.com/standings.HTML

VCC EVENTS

Two weekend events at the Vancouver Chess Centre have now been rated, they can be found via <u>http://www.chess.ca/crosstables.htm</u> (normally I would link directly to the page, but the CFC has seen fit to rate both events twice, so I'm not sure which potential link might shortly be deleted .)

MILLAR, CHARLES ("CHARLIE") FREDERICK (14 January 14 1882 - 23 October 1954)



Born in Bowmanville, Ontario, of Scottish ancestory. He lived in the Toronto area until 1908, then moved to Regina before finally settling in Vancouver in 1912. Trained in the world of finance (in 1905 he was a teller at the Canadian Bank of Commerce in Hamilton, Ontario), Millar was president of Seaport Agencies (which he also founded) and the British Empire Dock Co. Ltd. He learnt to play chess at the age of twelve, and was a member of both the Toronto Chess Club and Hamilton Bridge and Chess Club. Champion of Regina while he lived there, Millar joined the Vancouver Chess Club soon after moving here. He remained a stalwart member until 1946, when his allegiance went to the newly-founded City Chess Club. Millar won the B.C. Championship four times, 1931-33 and 1937; for the first sequence of three wins he was presented with the Ewing Cup in perpetuity. He also won the Vancouver Championship on a number of occasions, along with various club championships and tournaments. Contemporary reports and those who remember him comment particularly on Millar's rapidity of play. 1951 Champion Maurice Pratt noted that the way to beat Millar was to seemingly concentrate on one side of the board while furtively planning a tactic on the other; a sudden move on this other side would hopefully be met with an equally quick and perhaps superficial response which could then be taken advantage of. Pratt also mentioned that Millar was often tense, a possible contribution to his death. Also noteworthy was Millar's longevity: he played in the first B.C. Championship in 1916 (at the age of thirty-four!) and also played in the championship in the year of his death, some thirty-eight years later. This record has only been matched and surpassed recently, by Jonathan Berry (1969-2007) and Gerry Neufahrt (1956-2001).



"Jack M. Taylor, who has annotated and contributed the splendid game which follows, offers this tribute to the late Charles F. Millar: 'The player of Black in the following game was well acquainted with the late C.F. Millar, and counted him a very good friend. For twenty-five years we had met in keen but friendly chess rivalry in tournament and match play. Mr. Millar was a man of strong convictions and opinions. This was clearly demonstarted in his chess play, where the plan of his game was always optimistically conceived, and boldly and vigorously executed on the chessboard. Another outstanding characteristic of his play was his amazing immediate evaluation of a position, and his lightning moves. For thirty years, Charles Millar was a tower of strength in B.C. chess, which has indeed suffered a deep and grievous loss. Finally, Mr. Millar's essential integrity always made him play to win. He loved chess and gave of his best!'" [*Vancouver Province*, 6 November 1954]

Millar, Charles F - Taylor, Jack [D02] City CC ch Vancouver, 10.02.1948

[Jack Taylor]

1.Nf3

Of course the Zuckertort! Mr. Millar had opened with the Zukertort for thirty years. His treatment of it was perculiarly his own, and he won much success with it. d5 2.d4 e6 3.e3 c5 4.c4 Nc6 5.a3 Nf6 6.b3 cxd4 7.exd4 Bd6 8.Bd3 dxc4 9.bxc4 0-0 10.Bb2 Re8 11.Ne5 Qb6 12.Bc3 Qc7 Not 12...Nxd4? 13.Bxd4 Qxd4 14.Bxh7+! and Black's queen is lost. 13.f4 b6 14.0-0 Bb7 15.Nd2 Rad8 16.Ndf3 Ne7 17.Qe2 Bxf3 18.Qxf3 h5 19.a4 g6 20.a5 Nf5 21.axb6 axb6 22.h3 h4 23.Ra6 Rb8 24.Rfa1 Qb7 25.Nc6 Rbc8 26.d5 exd5 27.cxd5 Bc5+ 28.Kh2 Nxd5 29.Qxd5 Qxc6 30.Qxc6 Rxc6 31.Bb5 Rcc8 32.Bxe8 Rxe8 33.Ra8 Kf8 If Black exchanges rooks here he loses at once. 34.Bf6 Bd4 35.Rxe8+ Kxe8 36.Ra8+ Kd7 37.Rd8+ Kc7 38.Rxd4 Nxd4 39.Bxd4 1-0 A very good game by our late friend, and a fine example of his dynamic style.

Millar, Charles F - Loudon, Scotty [D02] Radio match, 1949

1.Nf3 d5 2.d4 c5 3.e3 Nc6 4.b3 g6 5.c3 cxd4 6.cxd4 Bg7 7.Be2 Nf6 8.0-0 0-0 9.Bb2 Bg4 10.Nbd2 Rc8 11.a3 e6 12.b4 a6 13.h3 Bxf3 14.Nxf3 Qe7 15.Rc1 Rc7 16.Bd3 Rfc8 17.Rc2 b5 18.Qe2 Nd7 19.e4 dxe4 20.Bxe4 Nb6 21.Rfc1 Nc4 22.Bxc6 Rxc6 23.d5 Bxb2 24.Rxb2 Nxb2 25.Rxc6 Rxc6 26.dxc6 Nc4 27.Ne5 Nb6 28.Qc2 Nd5 29.Nd7 Qd6 30.Nf6+ Kf8 31.Nxd5 1-0

Millar, Charles F - Jursevskis, Miervaldis [D30] City CC training Vancouver, 06.1951

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.e3 Nf6 4.a3 c6 5.Nf3 Bd6 6.b3 Nbd7 7.Bb2 Ne4 8.Bd3 f5 9.0-0 0-0 10.g3 Rf6 11.Ne5 Rh6 12.f3 Ng5 13.h4 Nf7 14.f4 Nf6 15.Nd2 Bxe5 16.dxe5 Ng4 17.Bd4 Rg6 18.Nf3 c5 19.Bxc5 b6 20.Bd4 dxc4 21.Bxc4 Bb7 22.Ng5 Nxg5 23.fxg5 Qe8 24.Be2 Rd8 25.Bxg4 fxg4 26.Qxg4 Qc6 27.Qh3 h6 28.gxh6 Rxh6 29.Rac1 Qd5 30.b4 Rf8 31.Rxf8+ Kxf8 32.Rc7 Rg6 33.g4 Kg8 34.g5 Qe4 35.Rc1 Qd3 36.Qg4 Qxa3 37.Rc7 Qa6 38.Rd7 Bd5 39.Rd8+ Kf7 40.Qf4+ Rf6 41.exf6 1-0

Millar, Charles F - Divinsky, Nathan [A46] CAN ch Vancouver (1.4), 24.08.1951

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.d4 e6 3.e3 b6 4.a3 Bb7 5.c4 Be7 6.Bd3 0-0 7.0-0 Ne4 8.b4 d6 9.Qc2 f5 10.Nbd2 d5 11.Bb2 Nd7 12.Rac1 Rc8 13.Nb3 c6 14.Ne5 Qe8 15.f3 Ng5 16.h4 Nf7 17.g3 Bd6 18.f4 Nf6 19.c5 Bxe5 20.dxe5 Ng4 21.Bd4 b5 22.Na5 Rc7 23.a4 a6 24.axb5 axb5 25.Ra1 Nd8 26.Be2 Qg6 27.Kg2 Nh6 28.h5 Qe8 29.Ra3 Kh8 30.Rfa1 Rg8 31.Nb3 g6 32.Rh1 g5 33.Ra7 Rcg7 34.Rh3 Bc8 35.Rxg7 Rxg7 36.Rh1 Qg8 37.Rh3 Ra7 38.Na5 Bd7 39.Rh1 Be8 40.Kf2 Nb7 41.Nb3 Bf7 42.Bc3 g4 43.Nd4 Qc8 44.Bd3 Kg8 45.Qb2 Qa8 46.Bb1 Nd8 47.Nb3 Nb7 48.Rd1 Kf8 49.Nd4 Nd8 50.Qe2 Ke7 51.Bb2 Qb7 52.Bc2 Kf8 53.Bb3 Qe7 54.Rh1 Be8 55.Ke1 Ra6 56.Kd2 Nb7 57.Rc1 Nd8 58.Qh2 Nb7 59.Qh1 Qf7 60.Bc2 Ra7 61.Ra1 Rxa1 62.Qxa1 Nd8 63.Qa8 Ke7 64.Bd3 Bd7 65.Bxb5 cxb5 66.c6 Bxc6 67.Nxc6+ Nxc6 68.Qxc6 Qe8 69.Qd6+ Kf7 70.Bd4 Qe7 71.Qc5 Qxc5 72.bxc5 Ke7 73.c6 b4 74.Kc2 Kd8 75.Bb6+ Kc8 76.Kb3 Nf7 77.Kxb4 Nh8 78.Kc5 Nf7 79.Ba5 Kb8 80.Kb6 Kc8 81.Bb4 Nh6 82.Be7 Nf7 83.c7 Nh8 84.Bf6 Nf7 85.Kc6 h6 86.Kb6 d4 87.exd4 1-0

Saila, Tauno - Millar, Charles F [A06] Vancouver ch Vancouver, 1951

1.Nf3 d5 2.b3 f5 3.Bb2 c5 4.e3 a6 5.d4 e6 6.Nbd2 Nf6 7.Be2 Nc6 8.0-0 b5 9.a4 b4 10.Ng5 Bd6 11.dxc5 Bxc5 12.Bh5+ g6 13.Be2 0-0 14.Ngf3 Bd6 15.h3 e5 16.Re1 Bb8 17.Nf1 Ra7 18.Rc1 Ne4 19.c4 bxc3 20.Bxc3 Nxc3 21.Rxc3 Qd6 22.Qc2 Nb4 23.Qd2 h6 24.Rec1 Be6 25.Rc5 a5 26.Ne1 f4 27.Nd3 fxe3 28.fxe3 Nxd3 29.Rc6 Nxc1 30.Rxd6 Nxe2+ 31.Qxe2 Bxd6 32.Qb5 Bb4 33.e4 Rd7 34.exd5 Rxd5 35.Qc6 Bc5+ 36.Kh2 Kf7 37.Qc7+ Kg8 38.Qc6 Bf7 39.Ng3 Bb4 40.Ne4 Kg7 41.Qf6+ Kh7 42.h4 Bg8 43.Qc6 Rd4 44.Qc7+ Rf7 45.Qxe5 Rxe4 46.Qxe4 Re7 47.Qd3 Be6 48.h5 Bf5 49.Qf3 Be4 50.Qf6 gxh5 51.Kh3 Bg6 52.Qf4 Rd7 53.Qc4 Rd3+ 54.Kh2 Bd6+ 55.Kg1 Bg3 56.Qc2 Re3 0-1

UPCOMING EVENTS

Junior events

Sept. 16Island Junior Open #1Sept. 29BC Girls Open ChampionshipOct. 13Sprott Shaw Junior Open

Silver Star Challenge (Qualifier for BC Closed)

Date: November 10-12, 2007 Site: Best Western Vernon Lodge - 3914 32nd St., B.C. 545-3385 Type: 6 Round Swiss Fee: \$40, \$35 senior, \$30 junior (must be CFC member or pay \$15 extra). First time ever players can play for reduced entry. Time: 30/90 sd/60 Rounds: Saturday and Sunday (November 10 and 11): 10:00am, 5:00pm. Monday November 12: 9:00am and ASAP Registration: On site 9:00am - 10:00am Saturday November 10. Prizes: BEN Bring sets and clocks.

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UBC Tuesday Night Swiss / VCC Thursday Swiss

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