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BCCF E-MAIL BULLETIN #132

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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Stephen Wright

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HERE AND THERE

World Youth Chess Championship (November 18-28)

Some 1450 young people are currently participating in this year's WYCC in Kemer-Antalya, Turkey, including 25 Canadians (Nikita Kraiouchkine had airline difficulties in Montreal) and 4 players from BC: Janak Awatramani and John Dokjnas (under 8), and Donovan Zhou and Peter Lai (under 10). After two rounds they have scored 1.5, 0, 1 (a bye), and 0.5 respectively, but there are many games yet to go: the event is an eleven-round Swiss by age category (U8, U10, U12, U14, U16, U18, with separate girls' categories). The top boards are being broadcast live (3 pm in Turkey, which translates into 5 am Vancouver time), but very few Canadians have been on those boards as yet. However, PGN files have begun to appear which contain all the games, but so far only round 1 is available (entering 700 games per round is a mammoth task). In the lower sections a fair number of the games are fragmentary, indicative of the notational vagaries of young juniors. Segments of video footage can also be found on the tournament website; that for round 2 includes a short shot of Janak Awatramani.

Official website: http://wycc2007.tsf.org.tr/
Chessbase pictorial report: http://www.chessbase.com/newsdetail.asp?newsid=4264

Awatramani, Janak - Ozgur, Tibet Kagan [A00] WYCC U8B Kemer/Antalya (1.20), 18.11.2007

1.g3 e5 2.Bg2 d5 3.d3 Nc6 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.Bg5 Be6 6.e4 Bb4 7.Bd2 d4 8.Nce2 Bxd2+ 9.Qxd2 Ne7 10.h3 c5 11.b3 b5 12.f4 Nc6 13.f5 Bd7 14.g4 0-0 15.Ng3 Ne8 16.g5 b4 17.h4 Nd6 18.Nf3 Nb5 19.Ne2 Nc3 20.Nxc3 dxc3 21.Qf2 a5 22.a4 Nd4 23.Nxe5 f6 24.Nf3 Qc7 25.Nh2 Rae8 26.0-0 Qe5 27.Ng4 Qd6 28.Bh3 Kh8 29.Rfc1 Nc6 30.Kh1 Ne5 31.Nxe5 Qxe5 32.Qh2 Re7 33.Qxe5 fxe5 34.Rf1 g6 35.fxg6 Rxf1+ 36.Bxf1 hxg6 37.Kg2 Bg4 38.Kg3 Bh5 39.Re1 Rf7 40.Be2 Bxe2 41.Rxe2 Rf1 42.Rf2 Rc1 43.Kg4 Rg1+ 44.Kf3 Kg7 45.Rg2 Rf1+ 46.Kg4 Rf4+ 47.Kh3 Rf3+ 48.Rg3 Rf4 49.Rg1 1/2-1/2

Mohineesh, C.H. - Lai, Jingzhou [D02] WYCC U10B Kemer/Antalya (1.15), 18.11.2007

1.Nf3 Nc6 2.d4 d5 3.e3 Nf6 4.Bd3 e6 5.c3 Bd6 6.Nbd2 0-0 7.0-0 Re8 8.e4 e5 9.dxe5 Nxe5 10.Nxe5 Bxe5 11.f4 Bg4 12.Qc2 dxe4 13.Nxe4 Bd6 14.Nxf6+ Qxf6 15.Bxh7+ Kh8 16.Bd3 Bc5+ 17.Kh1 Rad8 18.a3 Kg8 19.b4 Be3 20.Be4 Bxc1 21.Raxc1 c6 22.Bf3 Bf5 23.Qf2 Bd3 24.Rg1 Qxf4 25.Qxa7 Qc7 26.Qf2 Ra8 27.Rge1 Qf4 28.Rxe8+ Rxe8 29.Re1 Ra8 30.Kg1 Qf6 31.Qd2 Bf5 32.Qc1 Kh7 33.Be4 Bxe4 34.Rxe4 Qh6 35.Qe1 Qd6 36.Qe2 Qg6 37.a4 Rd8 38.g3 Rd1+ 39.Kg2 Rd8 40.Re7 b6 41.h4 Rd3 42.Re3 Rxe3 43.Qxe3

Qc2+ 44.Kh3 Qxa4 45.Qxb6 Qa8 46.Qd4 Qc8+ 47.Qg4 Qc7 48.Qf4 Qd7+ 49.Kg2 Qd5+ 50.Qf3 Qd2+ 1/2-1/2

Bindi Cheng Simultaneous Display (November 9)

Jay Zhou writes:

On the afternoon of November 9, 2007 (the usual Friday club time), members of the UBC Chess Club received a special treat: a simul exhibition against FIDE Master Bindi Cheng. Thanks to Bindi and the club president Julian Doczi, the event was free to all club members. UBC Chess Club is one of the most active university chess clubs in Canada. It has more than 70 members. WFM Amy Wang and former BC junior champion Andrey Kostin are members of the club. The members are mainly undergraduate and graduate students of UBC. However, players from nearby communities are welcome to join for a fee of $5 per year.

Barely recovered from recent illness, Bindi wanted the simul to go ahead, rather than re-schedule at another time. About twenty players joined the event, and some of them were surprised to find out that this FIDE master is only 17 years old, younger than almost all of them. Some were interested to know if Bindi has any IM norms (one) and in which tournament the norm was achieved (Canadian Open 2007). To let the players fully enjoy the event, passes were allowed and players who lost quickly were allowed to start another game. The simul lasted about two hours. At the end, Bindi won all the games.

Photo album: http://www.bjdy.com/juniorchess/Bindi_simul/album/index.html

Cheng, Bindi - Lai, Jingzhou [C11] Simul - Cheng Vancouver, 09.11.2007

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 Nf6 4.e5 Ne4 5.Nxe4 dxe4 6.Be3 Nd7 7.Qg4 c5 8.Qxe4 cxd4 9.Bxd4 Rb8 10.0-0-0 b6 11.Bb5 Bb7 12.Qg4 Qc7 13.Nf3 Bd5 14.Kb1 Rc8 15.Rd2 a6 16.Be2 Nc5 17.Rhd1 Ne4 18.Bxa6 Nxd2+ 19.Rxd2 Ra8 20.Bb5+ Bc6 21.Bc4 b5 22.Bb3 Rd8 23.Ng5 Bd5 24.Bxd5 exd5 25.e6 fxe6 26.Nxe6 Qd7 27.Re2 Kf7 28.Bxg7 Be7 29.Bxh8 Bf8 30.Bg7 Bd6 31.Qh5+ Kg8 32.Nxd8 Kxg7 33.Qg5+ Kh8 34.Re6 Bf8 35.Qe5+ Qg7 1-0

BC Junior Qualifier/Junior Open (November 4)

Results: http://www.bjdy.com/juniorchess/Nov07Jr.txt

(SILVER) SILVER STAR CLASSIC by Wally Steinke, TD and organizer

Fifteen players attended the Silver Star Classic this year, which happens to be the 25th anniversary of this venerable tournament. Time flies. Dave Moore and Gerry Neufahrt tied for first, each with 4.5/6. Dave, who lost none and drew three, qualifies for the BC Closed by virtue of handing Gerry his only defeat, and achieving a better tie-break.

Class prizes for the bottom half of the entries were shared by Grant Rice and Wally Steinke who each scored 3.5.   Once again, it was a very enjoyable tournament in a pleasant and friendly atmosphere.

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   Name                      CFC    Rtg   1   2   3   4   5   6   Total
 1 Moore, David              101014 2079 + 8 + 4 = 2 + 3 = 5 = 7   4.5
 2 Burke, Paul               103296 2055 + 9 + 6 = 3 - 7 - 0 - 0   2.5
 3 Neufahrt, Gerry           105750 2007 =10 + 8 + 4 - 1 + 7 + 5   4.5
 4 Trochtchaovitch, Pavel    143763 1997 +11 - 1 - 3 +15 + 6 = 8   3.5
 5 Hara, George              105611 1818 +12 + 7 = 0 = 0 = 1 - 3   3.5
 6 Kindret, Mike             109405 1723 +13 - 2 =15 + 9 - 4 -12   2.5
 7 Long, Hugh                110351 1699 +14 - 5 +12 + 2 - 3 = 1   3.5
 8 Steinke, Wally            100331 1666 - 1 - 3 +14 +12 + 9 = 4   3.5
 9 Paulson, Stewart          128609 1604 - 2 +13 +10 - 6 - 8 +11   3
10 Stockhausen, Peter        100346 1569 = 3 -12 - 9 +11 =13 +14   3
11 Lohner, Jason             144577 1452 - 0 =14 =13 -10 -15 - 9   1
12 Sullivan, Brian           103750 1644 - 5 +10 - 7 - 8 +14 + 7   3
13 Aartsen, Keith            109863 1451 - 6 - 9 =11 +14 =10 -15   2
14 Neal, Patrick             NEW    UNR  - 7 =11 - 8 -13 -12 -10   0.5
15 Rice, Grant               128828 1638 = 0 = 0 = 6 - 4 +11 +13   3.5
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[As noted above, the Silver Star Classic has now been held twenty-five times - here is a complete list of the tournament winners. The appearance of 1994 twice in the list is not a typo: due to advertising problems two separate events were held on consecutive weekends.]

2007   David Moore, Gerhard Neufahrt
2006   Gerhard Neufahrt
2005   Paul Brown, Gerhard Neufahrt
2004   Sumon Chai Phonchiangkwong, Petr Labik
2003   Gerhard Neufahrt, David Moore, Frank Veszely
2002   Laszlo Tegzes
2001   Pascal Charbonneau
2000   Alex Davies
1999   Jack Yoos
1998   Alex Davies
1997   Valerian Adam, Jim Ferguson
1996   Gerhard Neufahrt, Francisco Cabanas, Alex Davies, Chris Kuczaj
1995   Ian Higgs
1994   Luc Poitras, Wally Steinke
1994   Robert Brewster
1993   Francisco Cabanas
1992   Carl Storey
1991   Pierre Gladu, Francisco Cabanas
1990   Paul Brown, Carl Storey
1989   Mau-Seng Lee
1988   Gerhard Neufahrt
1987   Gerhard Neufahrt
1986   Carl Storey
1985   Carl Storey

1984   Paul Brown

BC JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

To no one's surprise, the winner of this year's B.C. Junior Championship was FM Bindi Cheng, who scored a perfect 5.0/5. Having a 350-point rating cushion helped, but a number of Bindi's potential challengers (the Han brothers, Richard Huang, Arik Milner) fell victim to upset results - all of them finished with 50%. This allowed three enterprising youngsters, Chang He Li, Tanraj Sohal, and Foster Tom, to pass them in the standings and tie for second. In the Reserve Section Dylan Parker and Jacob Jensen tied for first with 4.0/5, John Doknjas and Frank Cheng (Bindi's younger brother) tied for third, and Trevor Passey took the U1200 prize. In all twenty-seven juniors took part in the event, held at the New Westminster Sprott-Shaw College campus on the Remembrance Day weekend. Ken Jensen organized the tournament and was aided by a number of volunteers - thanks to all.

Crosstables: http://www.bjdy.com/juniorchess/BCJ_07_Standings.html
Photos: http://www.bjdy.com/juniorchess/bc_junior_07/index.html
Video (courtesy of Andrei Botez): http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u_ZK5rqDjcs

Awatramani, Janak - Botez, Alexandra [A00] BC jun ch New Westminster (1.7), 10.11.2007

1.g3 f5 2.Bg2 g6 3.d3 Nf6 4.Nc3 d6 5.Bg5 Bg7 6.Qd2 0-0 7.0-0-0 c6 8.Bxf6 Bxf6 9.d4 Nd7 10.h4 Kf7 11.h5 Rh8 12.e4 Nb6 13.b3 e6 14.f4 d5 15.e5 Be7 16.Nf3 Bd7 17.Rh2 Qc7 18.Rdh1 Rhg8 19.hxg6+ hxg6 20.Rh7+ Rg7 21.Rxg7+ Kxg7 22.Bf1 Rh8 23.Rxh8 Kxh8 24.Bh3 Bb4 25.Qd3 Kg7 26.g4 fxg4 27.Bxg4 Be7 28.Ng5 Bxg5 29.fxg5 Qd8 30.Qe3 Nc8 31.Qf4 Qg8 32.Qf6+ Kh7 33.Ne2 Qg7 34.Nf4 Qxf6 35.exf6 Nd6 36.Bxe6 Bxe6 37.Nxe6 Kg8 38.Nf4 Kf7 39.a4 Ne4 40.Nh3 Ke6 41.Kd1 Nd6 42.Ke2 Kf5 43.Kf3 a5 44.c4 dxc4 45.bxc4 c5 46.dxc5 Nxc4 47.Kg3 Ne5 48.Nf2 Kxg5 49.Ne4+ Kf5 50.Nd6+ Kxf6 51.Nxb7 Nc6 52.Kf4 g5+ 53.Kg4 Kg6 54.Nd6 Ne5+ 55.Kg3 Kh5 56.Nf5 Nc6 57.Nd6 g4 58.Nc4 Kg5 59.Ne3 Ne5 60.Nc2 Kf5 61.Nd4+ Kf6 62.c6 Ke7 63.Kf4 Nd3+ 64.Kxg4 Nc5 65.c7 Kd7 66.Nc6 Kxc7 67.Nxa5 Nxa4 1/2-1/2

Han, Yifei - Zhao, Donovan [B08] BC jun ch New Westminster (2.3), 10.11.2007

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.Be3 Bg4 6.Be2 Nc6 7.h3 Bxf3 8.Bxf3 e5 9.d5 Ne7 10.Ne2 0-0 11.c4 Nd7 12.b4 f5 13.Bg5 Bf6 14.Bxf6 Nxf6 15.Nc3 fxe4 16.Bxe4 Nxe4 17.Nxe4 Nf5 18.c5 a5 19.cxd6 cxd6 20.b5 Nd4 21.a4 Rc8 22.Rc1 Qh4 23.g4 Rxc1 24.Qxc1 Nf3+ 25.Kf1 Qe7 26.Qa3 Qf7 27.Qe3 Qe7 28.g5 Nh4 29.Nf6+ Kg7 30.Qe4 Nf5 31.h4 Qc7 32.Kg2 h6 33.h5 hxg5 34.Ng4 gxh5 35.Rxh5 Kg6 36.Rh6+ Kg7 37.Re6 Nh4+ 38.Kh2 Rf4 39.Qe2 Qf7 40.Rxd6 Rxg4 41.Qxg4 Qxf2+ 42.Kh3 Qf1+ 43.Kh2 Qf2+ 44.Kh1 Qf1+ 45.Qg1 Qh3+ 46.Qh2 Qf1+ 47.Qg1 Qh3+ 1/2-1/2

Tom, Foster Dylan - Han, Yifei [D59] BC jun ch New Westminster (3.2), 11.11.2007

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.Nf3 h6 6.Bh4 0-0 7.e3 b6 8.Be2 Bb7 9.cxd5 Nxd5 10.Bxe7 Qxe7 11.0-0 Nd7 12.Nxd5 exd5 13.Rc1 c5 14.Bb5 c4 15.b3 Nf6 16.bxc4 a6 17.Ba4 dxc4 18.Ne5 b5 19.Bc2 Rfe8 20.a4 Nd7 21.f4 Nxe5 22.fxe5 Qg5 23.Qe2 Rad8 24.Rf5 Qe7 25.Rcf1 Bd5 26.Qh5 Be6 27.Rf6 Qf8 28.Rxh6 gxh6 29.Rf6 Qg7 30.Rxh6 Bd5 31.g3 Bf3 32.Qh4 Rb8 33.Rh7 Ba8 34.Rxg7+ Kxg7 35.Qf6+ Kg8 36.Qxa6 Re6 37.Qa7 Reb6 38.axb5 Rxb5 39.Qe7 Rb2 40.e6 fxe6 41.Qxe6+ Kg7 42.Qe7+ Kg8 43.Bh7+ Kh8 44.Bg6 Rg2+ 45.Kf1 Rxh2 46.Qe5+ 1-0

Huang, Richard - Cheng, Bindi [A12] BC jun ch New Westminster (5.1), 12.11.2007

1.Nf3 d5 2.c4 c6 3.b3 Bg4 4.e3 e6 5.Bb2 Nd7 6.Be2 Ngf6 7.0-0 Bd6 8.d4 0-0 9.Nbd2 Qc7 10.h3 Bh5 11.Ne1 Bg6 12.c5 Be7 13.f4 b6 14.b4 Rab8 15.Bc3 Ne4 16.Nxe4 Bxe4 17.Nd3 f5 18.Nf2 Nf6 19.Nxe4 Nxe4 20.Qc2 g5 21.Bd3 gxf4 22.Rxf4 Bg5 23.Rf3 Rf7 24.Bd2 Rg7 25.Bxe4 fxe4 26.Rf2 Bh4 27.Re2 bxc5

28.bxc5 Rf8 29.Be1 Rf3 30.Bxh4 Rxh3 31.Bf2 Qh2+ 32.Kf1 Rxg2 33.Ke1 Rf3 34.Qb2 Rfxf2 35.Rxf2 Qg1+ 36.Kd2 Qxf2+ 0-1

Doknjas, John - Parker, Dylan [D52] BC jun res New Westminster (3.1), 11.11.2007

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Nbd7 5.e3 c6 6.Nf3 Qa5 7.a3 Ne4 8.Qc2 Nxg5 9.Nxg5 dxc4 10.Nf3 b5 11.Rc1 Bd6 12.Be2 Nf6 13.e4 Bb8 14.0-0 a6 15.a4 Bb7 16.Ra1 Qc7 17.e5 Nd5 18.b3 cxb3 19.Qxb3 Nf4 20.Rfe1 Nxe2+ 21.Rxe2 Qd8 22.Rea2 0-0 23.axb5 cxb5 24.Nxb5 Bd5 25.Qc3 Bxa2 26.Rxa2 Qc8 27.h3 Qxc3 28.Nxc3 Bc7 29.Kf1 Rfd8 30.Ke2 Bb6 31.Kd3 f6 32.Re2 Kf7 33.exf6 gxf6 34.Ke4 f5+ 35.Kd3 Kf6 36.g4 fxg4 37.hxg4 h6 38.Ne4+ Ke7 39.Rb2 Rab8 40.Ra2 a5 41.Nfd2 Rxd4+ 42.Kc3 Rc8+ 43.Kb3 Rb4+ 44.Ka3 Bxf2 45.Nb3 Rxe4 46.Rxf2 Rxg4 47.Rb2 Rc3 48.Ka2 Ra4+ 49.Kb1 h5 50.Nc1 Rb4 51.Rxb4 Rxc1+ 52.Kxc1 axb4 0-1

Jensen, Jacob - Parker, Dylan [A13] BC jun res New Westminster (4.1), 11.11.2007

1.c4 Nf6 2.g3 e6 3.Bg2 d5 4.cxd5 exd5 5.Nf3 Bg4 6.h3 Bh5 7.Qb3 b6 8.Nc3 c6 9.0-0 Qc7 10.d3 Nbd7 11.Bg5 h6 12.Bxf6 Nxf6 13.Rac1 Qd7 14.e4 dxe4 15.dxe4 Bc5 16.Qa4 0-0 17.b4 b5 18.Qb3 Bb6 19.Kh2 Rfe8 20.Rfd1 Qb7 21.g4 Bg6 22.e5 Nd7 23.Kg1 Nxe5 24.Nxb5 Nxf3+ 25.Bxf3 Bxf2+ 26.Kxf2 Qxb5 27.Bxc6 Qe2+ 28.Kg1 Re3 29.Re1 Qxe1+ 30.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 31.Kf2 Ree8 32.Bxa8 Rxa8 33.Qd5 Rc8 34.a4 Rc2+ 35.Ke1 Rh2 36.Qa8+ Kh7 37.Qxa7 Rxh3 38.b5 Rb3 39.b6 Be4 40.a5 h5 41.gxh5 f5 42.a6 Rb1+ 43.Kd2 Rb2+ 44.Kc3 Ra2 45.b7 Bxb7 46.Qxb7 f4 47.a7 f3 48.a8Q f2 49.Qe4+ Kh6 50.Qg6# 1-0

2007 BC - WA MATCH

Watch for details on the BCCF website soon.

2008 BC CORRESPONDENCE CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

Entries are now being taken for the 2008 Championship, which will be the third annual running of this event in recent times. However, the Canadian Correspondence Chess Association (CCCA) has apparently added a new stricture for this year, that the tournament must include at least ten participants or it will be cancelled. Therefore, if you are at all interested in entering this championship, please let Vas Sladek know at the below address.

Contact: Vas Sladek, 604-562-3736, vas@chessfirst.com
Date: January 1, 2008 start
Rounds: all games are played on the ICCF webserver (no e-mails, no postcards!)
Type: Round Robin, CCCA rated
EF: $15
Prizes: clear 1st software prize from chessfirst.com
Registration By December 1, 2007, Vas Sladek, 604-562-3736, vas@chessfirst.com
Misc BC residents ONLY and CCCA membership required $30/year; CCCA requires 10 participants to run the event so please consider joining.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Junior events

Dec. 2   Sprott Shaw Junior Open
Dec. 9   Greater Victoria City Championship

Jack Taylor Memorial

A 5 round CFC rated Swiss
EF: $25; $5 discount to CFC members, $10 late fee (after Nov. 19)
Prize Fund: 1st $75, Top under 1850 $50
Location: University of Victoria, Human and Social Development Building, Room HSD-A264 See Map
Time Control: Game/90 + 30 sec. increment
Rounds: Nov. 24 at 9:30 am, 1:30 pm, 6:00 pm; Nov. 25 at 9:30 am, 2:00 pm
Registration:
* On site Nov. 24 8:30-9:15 am (late fee applies)
* At the Victoria Chess Club, regular meeting nights
* By email to victoria_chess@shaw.ca
Misc:
TD: Lynn Stringer
Org: Roger Patterson
Parking Map (Note: Parking at U Vic is no longer free on Saturdays)
http://victoriachessclub.pbwiki.com/2007+Jack+Taylor+Memorial

UBC Thursday Night Swiss - NOTE CHANGE OF DAY!

6:30 pm, **Thursdays**, Henry Angus Building room 417, University of British Columbia
Contact Aaron Cosenza, xramis1@yahoo.ca