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Your editor welcomes any and all submissions – news of upcoming events, tournament reports, and anything else that might be of interest to BC players. Thanks to all who contributed to this issue. To subscribe, send me an e-mail (<u>swright2@telus.net</u>); if you no longer wish to receive this Bulletin, just let me know.

Stephen Wright

HERE AND THERE

Online adventures

As we have seen in the past few issues OTB tournaments are being held in the U.S. but various online events are still continuing, albeit with smaller turnouts than previously. The latest <u>Thursday</u> <u>Night Marathon</u> (July 29 – August 19), an online version of the Tuesday Night tournaments run for many years by the Mechanics' Institute in San Francisco, was an eight-round Swiss held over four consecutive Thursdays with a time control of 35 + 5 and hosted by the chess.com platform. Ivan Zong from this province won his last two games to finish with 50% in the thirty-three player single section; overall winner was the ubiquitous (at least for these events) Azerbaijani GM Gadir Guseinov with 7.5/8, a half-point ahead of Indian IM Bala Chandra Prasad Dhulipalla.

Zong, Ivan – Smith, Robert [D00] Thursday Night Marathon (online) chess.com (1), 29.07.2021

1.d4 d5 2.e3 Nf6 3.Bd3 Bg4 4.Nf3 e6 5.b3 c6 6.Bb2 Bd6 7.0–0 0–0 8.Nbd2 Nbd7 9.Be2 Rc8 10.Ne5 Bxe2 11.Qxe2 c5 12.c4 Qc7 13.f4 a6 14.a4 a5 15.Rac1 Rfd8 16.Qf3 Qb8 17.Qg3 cxd4 18.Bxd4 Bc5 19.Nxd7 Rxd7 20.Bxf6 Bf8 21.Be5 Qa7 22.cxd5 Rxc1 23.Rxc1 Rxd5 24.Bxg7 Rc5 25.Bd4+ 1–0

Closer to home (so to speak), Don Hack of Surrey participated in the recent online versions of two Seattle annual tournaments. The <u>Seafair Open</u> (July 31 – August 1) was held in a single section on chess.com with a time control of 60 + 30 and attracted thirty-seven players. The winner was Indian IM Mitrabha Guha with 4.5/5, just ahead of Krishna Crg, Rohan Talukdar, Ryan Ackerman, and Ojas Kulkarni who tied for second with 4.0 points. Don's 50% score was sufficient for a share of the U1400 prize. Two weeks later there were thirty-one entries for the <u>Seattle Chess Classic</u> (August 13-15), eleven in the Open Section and twenty in the Reserve (U1800). Also hosted by chess.com, the time control in this case was 75 + 15 with nine rounds spread over three days. It was FM Rohan Talukdar's (Windsor, Ontario) turn to shine, finishing clear first with 8.0/9, a full two points ahead of second place GM Aleksej Aleksandrov (Belarus). David Xiao won the Reserve Section, also with 8.0/9, while Don Hack again finished in the money, earning a share of various class prizes with 5.0 points.

Aleksandrov, Aleksei – Talukdar, Rohan [A40] Seattle Chess Classic (online) chess.com (4), 14.08.2021

1.Nf3 c5 2.e3 g6 3.d4 Bg7 4.dxc5 Qa5+ 5.Nbd2 Qxc5 6.Be2 Qc7 7.0–0 Nc6 8.c4 Nf6 9.Nb1 0–0 10.Nc3 d6 11.Bd2 Bf5 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.cxd5 Ne5 14.Nd4 Bd3 15.Rc1 Qb6 16.Bc3 Qa6 17.Bxd3

Nxd3 18.Rc2 Rfc8 19.a4 Nc5 20.b3 Nxb3 21.Nf5 Bxc3 22.Nxe7+ Kf8 23.Nxc8 Rxc8 24.Qg4 Qc4 25.Qd7 Kg7 26.Qxb7 Rc5 27.Rb1 Nd2 28.Rbc1 Qd3 29.h3 a5 30.Qb6 Bb4 31.Rxc5 dxc5 32.Qd6 Qf5 33.Qc6 c4 34.Rxc4 Nxc4 35.Qxc4 Qb1+ 36.Kh2 Qb2 37.Kg1 Qa1+ 38.Kh2 Qxa4 39.Qd4+ Kg8 40.f4 Qb5 41.e4 Qc5 42.Qd3 Qf2 0–1

Online Rapid World Cup for Cadets and Youths (August 1-20)

Last issue we reported on the online CYCC which served as a qualifier for the above event. Canada was originally allotted thirty places in the <u>Rapid World Cup</u>, three per section (U10, U12, U14, U16, U18 categories both open and girls), but at the last minute was granted fifty places. These included, from BC, Zachary Hankun Liu (U10), Caitlin Wang (U10G), Azher Hossain (U12), Rachel Ruoxuan Chen and Yu Han (Veronica) Guo (both U14G), Neil Doknjas (U16), and Andrew Hemstapat (U18). The Selection Stage was held as a series of ten-round Swiss events, each event included two or more sections and consisted of two 10 + 3 games a day for five days, all conducted over the Tornelo platform. The top ten finishers in each section qualify for the Final Stage of the Rapid World Cup (August 26-31) where a knockout format will be employed, each section beginning with sixteen players. Three Canadians managed to qualify for the Final Stage, Zachary Hankun Liu and Jifan Zhao (both scored 8.0/10 in the two hundred and twenty-three player U10 Section) and Hanxi Jiang (also 8.0/10 in the one hundred and forty-seven player U10G Section). Congratulations to them and to all the Canadian participants! <u>Canadian results tournament site</u>

Arutla, Aditya – Liu, Zachary Hankun [B33] World Youth Cup U10 (online) Tornelo (6.13), 01.08.2021

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e5 6.Ndb5 d6 7.Bg5 a6 8.Bxf6 gxf6 9.Na3 b5 10.Nd5 f5 11.Bd3 Be6 12.c4 Qa5+ 13.Qd2 Qxd2+ 14.Kxd2 Bh6+ 15.Kd1 Bxd5 16.exd5 Nd4 17.cxb5 axb5 18.Nxb5 Nxb5 19.Bxb5+ Ke7 20.f3 Rhb8 21.Bc6 Ra5 22.Kc2 Bg7 23.b3 e4 24.Rae1 Rxa2+ 25.Kb1 Rb2+ 26.Kc1 R8xb3 27.fxe4 Bh6+ 28.Kd1 Rd3# 0–1

Lions Chess Club Blitz (July 24)



The latest monthly blitz tournament at the Lions Chess Club (Burnaby) was held in person on July 24 with a dozen participants. Aram Arzumanyan came clear first in a closely-contested event with 10.0/11, a half-point ahead of Ashton Taylor while top-ranked Roman Jiganchine placed third with 9.0 points. The next event is scheduled for August 28. <u>More photos facebook page</u>

odinchess

from Tiam Koukpari: I have a colleague with whom I am working on a new chess <u>website</u> that focuses on helping people learn and practice blindfold chess. We are trying to slow online chess down from blitz and bullet and encourage people to think more deeply about their moves, i.e., pushing them in the direction of over-the-board classical chess.

We are just finishing up the basics of the website and are looking for some chess players who would be willing to give us feedback on what we have so far: what works, what doesn't, what could be improved, etc. We would ask them to get in touch with us in order to set up a few scheduled feedback times. Please contact Tiam directly (<u>tiamkoukpari@gmail.com</u>) or on the website via the contact page <u>https://odinchess.com/contact</u>



Stephen Lester-Smith

An Open House will be held on August 22 to celebrate the life of the late Stephen Lester-Smith (see last Bulletin).

When: Sunday, August 22, 2021 Time: Drop-in, 3:00-8:00 pm

Where: Stephen and Donna's home, #103 – 2146 West 43rd Avenue, Vancouver An assortment of food and beverages will be served

Covid Concern: Our apartment is spacious, and includes a large outdoor balcony. Many people in Stephen and Donna's age-group have been double-vaccinated. Wearing a mask is an option for any visiting guest.

Please come and share in this special time to happily remember Stephen with family and friends!

Two significant historical anniversaries this issue; in both cases the first games of each event were played on August 24 of their respective years.

FIFTY YEARS AGO: THE 1971 CANADIAN OPEN

Vancouver's first staging of the Canadian Open in 1971 was largely the result of actions by FIDE and the then Canadian FIDE representative, John G. Prentice. On hearing that the 1971 FIDE Congress had been awarded to Vancouver, several delegates at the 1970 Congress hoped that a tournament would be held in conjunction with the congress, as had occurred in San Juan in 1969. The 1971 Canadian Open was destined for Ottawa, but in light of these developments Prentice (also CFC president) asked the Ottawa organizing committee to allow Vancouver to host the event instead, in exchange for their being given first priority in holding the 1973 Canadian Open. The Ottawa R.A. Club agreed, and the Canadian Open came to the West Coast for the first time in its history, this after being held in St. John's in 1970. Notably Ottawa did host the next Canadian Open in 1973, which was won by Duncan Suttles. And an indication of the era is that the FIDE Congress approved GM titles for Rafael Vaganian and Ljubomir Ljubojevic and the IM title for Jan Timman. An eleven-round Swiss, the Open took place at the Ponderosa Cafe at UBC (the FIDE Congress was held at Cecil Green Park) from Tuesday, August 24 to Friday, September 3, with an awards ceremony and banquet on September 4. Rounds were held at 6 pm each day with adjournments the following morning; the time control was 45 moves in 2-1/2 hours, followed by 18 moves per hour thereafter. Entry fee was \$25 for adults and \$15 for players under 19 years of age, with a guaranteed prize fund of \$4,100. The tournament director was Phil Haley, assisted by Russ Vogler. Due to his FIDE connections Prentice was able to secure the participation of the reigning World Champion, Boris Spassky, apparently partly in return for hosting the Fischer – Taimanov Candidates Match earlier in 1971. The presence of Spassky was obviously a large drawing card; one hundred and fifty-six players took part, including four grandmasters (Spassky, Benko, Kavalek, and Browne), three others who would become grandmasters (Suttles, Biyiasis, and Ree), and many other strong players, from B.C. (Zuk, Crookes, Zaradic, Shapero, Berry, Harper, Fullbrook, Macskasy), Canada (Vranesic, Kuprejanov, Formanek, Piasetski, MacPhail, Dobrich), and elsewhere (Waterman, Avery, Gadia, Bone, Ervin, Barnes).



World Champion versus Canadian Champion: Spassky and Suttles

Spassky came within a hair's breadth of losing to Suttles in their sixth round encounter but recovered to win the game en route to tying for first with Dutch Champion Hans Ree (better known these days as a journalist and writer); they won \$800 each for their 9-2 undefeated scores. Suttles, Zvonko Vranesic, and Walter Browne tied for third with 8.5, earning \$250 each for their efforts. Other prize winners included:

Bob Zuk, \$250, top B.C. player (Suttles was considered to be "in the money") Lubomir Kavalek and George Kuprejanov, \$75 each, tied for sixth Dennis Waterman, \$200, top expert John Lee, \$200, top class A Steve Thomas, \$200, top class B Nigel Fullbrook, \$50, top class C Jonathan Berry and Craig Barnes, \$25 each, tied top junior Bill Macskasy, \$25, top junior under 14 Ruth Cardoso, \$100, top women Olício Gadia, \$75, top unrated

<u>Crosstable</u>; <u>more photos</u>. A few games follow. All the remaining extant games can be found in this Bulletin's PGN file (or BCBASE).

Spassky, Boris - Suttles, Duncan [B06] CAN op 9th Vancouver (6), 29.08.1971

1.e4 g6 2.d4 d6 3.c3 Nf6 4.Bd3 e5 5.f4 Bg7 6.Nf3 Bg4 7.fxe5 dxe5 8.Bg5 Nbd7 9.Nbd2 h6 10.Bh4 g5 11.Bf2 0–0 12.h3 Bh5 13.d5 Bg6 14.Qe2 Re8 15.0–0 Nh5 16.g3 Bf8 17.b4 Ndf6 18.Nc4 Bd6 19.Nfd2 Kh7 20.Kh2 Rg8 21.Nxd6 cxd6 22.c4 a5 23.c5 axb4 24.Nc4 dxc5 25.Nxe5 Re8 26.Nxg6 fxg6 27.Bxc5 Qc7 28.Bf2 Ra3 29.Qf3 Nxe4 30.Rac1 Qd7 31.Bd4 Rxd3 32.Qxd3 Nhxg3 33.Rfe1 Qd6 34.Kg1 h5 35.Bb2 g4 36.Qd4 Nf5 37.Qd3 gxh3?? [37...Qb6+!] 38.Rxe4 Rxe4 39.Qxe4 h2+ 40.Kg2 Qg3+ 41.Kh1 Qf2 42.Rc7+ Kh6 43.Bc1+ 1–0

Formanek, Ed - Kavalek, Lubomir [B93] CAN op 9th Vancouver (8), 31.08.1971

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.f4 Qc7 7.Bd3 Nbd7 8.Nf3 b5 9.0–0 Bb7 10.Qe1 e5 11.Kh1 g6 12.fxe5 dxe5 13.Qh4 h6 14.Bd2 Be7 15.Qe1 Nc5 16.b4 Nxd3 17.cxd3 Rd8 18.Qe2 Nh5 19.Rac1 Qb8 20.Nd5 Bxd5 21.exd5 Rxd5 22.d4 0–0 23.Nxe5 Bf6 24.Nxg6 Re8 25.Qg4 Bg7 26.Ne5 Rxd4 27.Qxh5 Qxe5 28.Qxf7+ Kh7 29.Bc3 Red8 30.Rce1 Qg5 31.Bxd4 Rxd4 32.a3 Rd2 33.Qf5+ Qxf5 34.Rxf5 Ra2 35.Rf3 Bb2 36.Rf2 Kg6 37.Rb1 Rxa3 38.Rfxb2 h5 39.g3 Kg5 40.Kg2 Kg4 41.h3+ Kg5 42.Rb3 Ra2+ 43.R1b2 Ra1 44.Rb1 Ra2+ 45.R1b2 Ra1 46.Kf2 Rh1 47.Kg2 1–0

Spassky, Boris - Zuk, Bob [E82] CAN op 9th Vancouver (10), 02.09.1971

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.f3 0–0 6.Be3 b6 7.Bd3 Bb7 8.Nge2 c5 9.d5 e6 10.Bg5 h6 11.Bh4 exd5 12.cxd5 Nbd7 13.0–0 a6 14.a4 Ne5 15.f4 Nxd3 16.Qxd3 Qc7 17.Rad1 Rae8 18.Bxf6 Bxf6 19.e5 dxe5 20.Ne4 Bg7 21.f5 Rd8 22.N2c3 gxf5 23.Rxf5 f6 24.Rdf1 Qe7 25.Qg3 Kh8 26.Qh4 Bxd5 27.Nxf6 Bb7 28.Rh5 Rxf6 29.Rxh6+ Kg8 30.Rfxf6 Bxf6 31.Rxf6 Qg7 32.Qc4+ Kh8 33.Rf3 Rd6 34.Qh4+ Kg8 35.Qc4+ Kh8 36.Ne4 Rg6 37.Rh3+ Rh6 38.Rd3 Rf6 39.Rg3 Rg6 40.Ng5 Bc8 41.Nf7+ Kh7 42.Qh4+ Kg8 43.Nh6+ 1–0

Ree, Hans - Formanek, Ed [A12] CAN op 9th Vancouver (10), 02.09.1971

1.c4 c6 2.Nf3 d5 3.b3 Nf6 4.g3 Bf5 5.Ba3 Nbd7 6.Bg2 e5 7.Bxf8 Kxf8 8.0–0 Kg8 9.d3 h6 10.Nbd2 Be6 11.Qc2 d4 12.b4 g5 13.Nb3 Qe7 14.Rab1 Rc8 15.Rfe1 g4 16.Nfd2 b6 17.e3 dxe3 18.Rxe3 Qxb4 19.d4 Qd6 20.Qc3 exd4 21.Nxd4 c5 22.Nxe6 fxe6 23.Ne4 Nxe4 24.Rxe4 h5 25.Rxe6 Qd4 26.Qc2 Rh7 27.Rd1 Qh8 28.Bd5 1–0

Kuprejanov, George - Benko, Pal [B81] CAN op 9th Vancouver (10), 02.09.1971

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e6 6.g4 h6 7.Be3 Nc6 8.Rg1 e5 9.Ndb5 a6 10.Na3 b5 11.Nd5 Nxd5 12.exd5 Nb8 13.Bd3 Be7 14.Qf3 Nd7 15.0–0–0 Bb7 16.Kb1 Bg5 17.c4 b4 18.Nc2 a5 19.Rge1 Kf8 20.Bf5 Qf6 21.Qe2 Bxe3 22.fxe3 Nc5 23.Rf1 Qe7 24.Bg6 f6 25.h4 Qd8 26.g5 hxg5 27.hxg5 Ke7 28.gxf6+ gxf6 29.Rxf6 Kxf6 30.Qf3+ Kg7 31.Qf7+ Kh6 32.Rh1+ Kg5 33.Qf5# 1–0

SEVENTY YEARS AGO: THE 1951 CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIP

In 1951 the first Canadian championship to be held on the Pacific Coast took place in the Hotel Vancouver. Following John Ewing's debut in the 1924 Championship in Hamilton there were plans to hold the 1925 event in Vancouver, but these never came to fruition. A substantial fundraising drive was undertaken to provide sufficient funds to sponsor the 1951 tournament, resulting in a final total of just under \$1,700. Of this, \$500 was submitted by John Prentice, one of the first of his many financial donations to the chess community. In the previous championship (held in Arvida, Quebec, in 1949) Maurice Fox had won the national title for a record eighth time (subsequently matched by Abe Yanofsky). He had managed to stave off the challenge of the young Canadian stars Yanofsky (already a four-time champion) and Frank Anderson, as well as the immigrant players Paul Vaitonis (Lithuania) and Feodor Bohatirchuk (Ukraine, Soviet champion in 1927). The question was, could he repeat this performance?



Officials and guests: Millar, Stevenson, Douglas, Yanofsky, Russell, Fox, McCharles, Prentice, Taylor; Mrs. Yanofsky, Canon Roy, MacAdam, Bain, Carroll; behind them can be seen the Drewry Cup (Canadian Championship Trophy) and the BC-WA Match Trophy (replica of the Peace Arch)

"Sessions of play will be daily except Sunday, August 26, from 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m., with adjournments being played on the following mornings from 9 o'clock to 12 noon. Registration and directions, 10 a.m., Friday, August 24. Ceremony and luncheon, Hotel Vancouver, 12 noon, August 24. Defending champion's travelling expenses paid. Accommodations to all participants paid. First prize, \$300; second prize, \$200; third prize, \$120; fourth prize, \$80; fifth prize, \$60; sixth prize, \$20. Plus bonuses to all remainder for winning points; brilliancy prize and prize for shortest game, etc. Banquet for all guests and open to the public will take place at the Hotel Vancouver Saturday, September 1: \$2.50 per plate." [*Daily Province*, Saturday, August 25, 1951]

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	
1 Vaitonis, Paul (ON)	*	1/2	1	1/2	1	1	1/2	1	1	1	1	1	1	10.5
2 Anderson, Frank (ON)	1/2	*	0	1	1	1/2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10.0
3 Bohatirchuk, Feodor (ON)	0	1	*	1	0	1	1	1	1/2	1	1/2	1	1	9.0
4 Yanofsky, Abe (MB)	1/2	0	0	*	1	1/2	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	8.0
5 Divinsky, Nathan (MB)	0	0	1	0	*	1	1/2	1/2	1	1	1/2	1	0	6.5
6 Fox, Maurice (PQ)	0	1/2	0	1/2	0	*	1	1/2	1	1	1/2	0	1	6.0
7 Jursevskis, M. (BC)	1/2	0	0	0	1/2	0	*	0	1	1	1	1	1	6.0
8 Yerhoff, Frank (SK)	0	0	0	0	1/2	1/2	1	*	0	1/2	1/2	1	1	5.0
9 Taylor, Jack (BC)	0	0	1/2	0	0	0	0	1	*	1/2	1	1	1	5.0
10 Hayes, Rea (SK)	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1/2	1/2	*	1	0	1	4.0
11 Holowach, Walter (AB)	0	0	1/2	0	1/2	1/2	0	1/2	0	0	*	1	1	4.0
12 Ridout, Howard (ON)	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	*	1	3.0
13 Millar, Charles (BC)	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	*	1.0

The championship quickly turned into a race to see if anyone could catch Frank Anderson, who established a substantial lead by scoring 9.5 out of his first ten games. The only other players in the race were Vaitonis and Bohatirchuk; Yanofsky lost his first two games (to Bohatirchuk and Anderson), and a further loss to Hayes in round five eliminated him from contention. However, Yanofsky could be forgiven his lack of concentration - he was on his honeymoon at the time! The exciting race came right down to the wire, as the championship was not decided until the last adjournment of the final round. In round eleven Anderson drew for only the second time, giving him 10 points and a 1.5 point lead over Vaitonis. However, because of the odd number of participants it was necessary for each player to receive a (unscored) bye. Vaitonis had already passed that hurdle and Bohatirchuk had the bye in round eleven, but Anderson's bye was in the last round, meaning that he had to amass as many points as he could and then hope nobody could overtake him. In round twelve Bohatirchuk beat Anderson, setting up the decisive last-round encounter between Bohatirchuk and Vaitonis. Vaitonis won, allowing him to pass Anderson by half a point.

Cumulative Scores

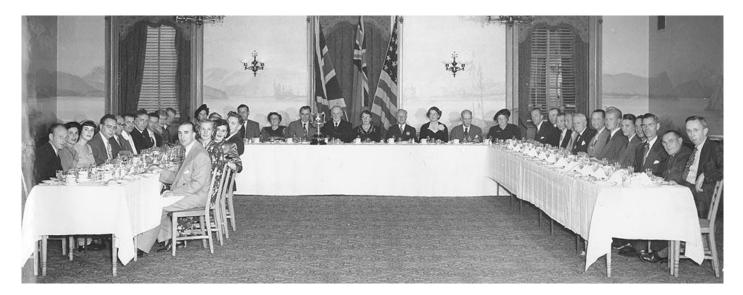
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
1 Vaitonis	1/2	В	1	2	3	4	5	5½	6½	7½	81/2	9½	<mark>10½</mark>	10.5
2 Anderson	1/2	1½	2 <u>⁴∕</u> ₂	3½	4½	5½	6½	7½	8½	9½	10	10	В	10.0
3 Bohatirchuk	1	2	2	2½	3½	4½	5	6	7	8	В	9	9	9.0
4 Yanofsky	0	0	1/2	В	1/2	1½	2½	3½	4½	5½	6½	7½	8	8.0
5 Divinsky	0	1	2	2	2	2	3	В	4	4½	5	5½	6½	6.5
6 Fox	1	1	2	2½	3½	4	4	5	В	5	5½	5½	6	6.0
7 Jursevskis	В	1	2	3	3	3	3	3½	3½	4½	5	6	6	6.0
8 Yerhoff	1/2	1½	<mark>2⁺₂</mark>	3	3	3	3	3	3½	4	4	В	5	5.0
9 Taylor	1	2	2	2½	2½	2½	2½	3	3	В	4	4	5	5.0
10 Hayes	0	0	0	0	1	В	1	1½	2	2	3	3	4	4.0
11 Holowach	1/2	1/2	В	1½	2½	3	3½	3½	3½	3½	3½	4	4	4.0
12 Ridout	0	0	0	0	В	1	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3.0
13 Millar	1	1	1	1	1	1	В	1	1	1	1	1	1	1.0



Standing: Creemer (chairman, organizing committee), Hays, Ridout, Holowach, Russell (T.D.), Jursevskis, Millar, Taylor; sitting: Yanofsky, Vaitonis, Anderson, Fox, Bohatirchuk, Divinsky

"Final results of the Canadian Chess Championships, held in Hotel Vancouver last week, were announced today. Paul Vaitonis, a cost accountant in Hamilton, Ont., won the title Saturday. The forty-year-old immigrant finished with a total of 10.5 points to nose out young Frank Anderson of Toronto by half a game. Dr. Feodor Bohatirchuk of Ottawa was third with 9. Vaitonis' win gave him first prize money of \$300 and possession of the Drewry Cup, symbol of the championship. Vaitonis fled Russian rule of his native Lithuania in 1944 because "all the time you're afraid. Even if you don't do anything wrong you never know when they'll arrest you." He was scheduled to go to Sweden in a small boat, but this boat and his proposed companions were blasted by bombs in a raid. Vaitonis managed to get aboard another ship, scheduled to run the high-explosive gauntlet, and successfully reached Sweden. He married there in 1948 and came to Canada the following year. After a year's work on a farm he took up cost accounting. He has played chess since he was five, but has no real love of tournament chess. "I like better to play a good game with my friends," he says." [*Daily Province*, Tuesday, September 4, 1951]

"The wind-up of the tournament was a banquet at the hotel in the evening. The visiting players and guests were entertained by the amusing remarks of W.T. Money M.C., followed by a sing-song conducted by R.A. Douglas at the piano. The visiting players expressed their appreciation to the tournament committee for the perfect arrangements and are hoping to return to Vancouver to participate in an International Tournament if it can be arranged." [*Daily Province*, Saturday, September 8, 1951]



A few games - the remainder can be found in BCBASE:

Bohatirchuk, Feodor – Yanofsky, Abe [C00] CAN ch Vancouver (1.6), 24.08.1951

1.e4 e6 2.Qe2 Ne7 3.f4 d5 4.d3 c5 5.Nf3 Nbc6 6.c3 g6 7.Na3 Bg7 8.Qf2 b6 9.Be2 a6 10.0–0 Bd7 11.Bd2 Qc7 12.Rac1 0–0 13.Qh4 f6 14.Nc2 Rad8 15.Ne3 f5 16.e5 h6 17.Kh1 Be8 18.Nd1 d4 19.c4 Qa7 20.Nf2 Kf7 21.Rg1 Rh8 22.g4 Qb7 23.h3 Nb8 24.Kh2 Bc6 25.Qg3 Rdg8 26.b4 Nd7 27.bxc5 bxc5 28.Rb1 Qc7 29.gxf5 exf5 30.h4 Bf8 31.Qh3 Ke6 32.Ne4 Bxe4 33.dxe4 Kf7 34.Bd3 Ke8 35.h5 Qc6 36.Rbe1 fxe4 37.Bxe4 Qa4 38.hxg6 Bg7 39.Qe6 Rf8 40.f5 Qxa2 41.Bc6 1–0

Yerhoff, Frank J. – Anderson, Frank [C82] CAN ch Vancouver (6.4), 27.08.1951

This game won the brilliancy prize:

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0–0 Nxe4 6.d4 b5 7.Bb3 d5 8.dxe5 Be6 9.c3 Bc5 10.Qd3 0–0 11.Nbd2 f5 12.exf6 Nxf6 13.Ng5 Ne5 14.Qg3 Qd6 15.Re1 Nfg4 16.Nde4 dxe4 17.Bxe6+ Kh8 18.Be3 Nxf2 19.Qh4 h6 20.Nxe4 Nxe4 21.Qxe4 Rae8 22.Bxc5 Qxc5+ 23.Qd4 Qxd4+ 24.cxd4 Nd3 25.Red1 Nxb2 26.Rd2 Rxe6 27.Rxb2 Rd8 28.a4 c6 29.axb5 cxb5 30.Rba2 Rdd6 31.Kf2 b4 32.Ra4 Rxd4 33.Rxa6 Rd2+ 34.Kf3 Ree2 35.Rg6 Rf2+ 36.Ke3 Rxg2 37.Ra7 Rxg6 38.Kxd2 Rg2+ 0–1

Bohatirchuk, Feodor – Anderson, Frank [A03] CAN ch Vancouver (12.7), 30.08.1951

1.f4 d5 2.e3 Nf6 3.Nf3 Bg4 4.Be2 Bxf3 5.Bxf3 Nbd7 6.d4 Ne4 7.c4 c6 8.cxd5 cxd5 9.0–0 Ndf6 10.Nc3 Qd7 11.Qd3 Nxc3 12.bxc3 e6 13.c4 Be7 14.c5 0–0 15.Ba3 Rfc8 16.Rfc1 Rc6 17.Qb3 a6 18.Rab1 Rb8 19.Qd3 Qc7 20.Bd1 Bf8 21.Ba4 b5 22.Bd1 Ne4 23.Bb4 Qc8 24.Ba5 Nd6 25.Bc2 Ne4 26.a4 f5 27.Rb2 g5 28.Rcb1 gxf4 29.exf4 Bh6 30.g3 Bg7 31.axb5 Rxc5 32.dxc5 Qxc5+ 33.Kg2 Qf2+ 34.Kh3 Bxb2 35.Rxb2 Qg1 36.Ba4 Rf8 37.Bc3 Nf2+ 38.Rxf2 Qxf2 39.bxa6 Ra8 40.Bb5 Kf7 41.Qd4 1–0

Vaitonis, Paul – Bohatirchuk, Feodor [A42] CAN ch Vancouver (13.2), 31.08.1951

1.d4 d6 2.c4 Nd7 3.Nf3 e5 4.Nc3 g6 5.e4 Bg7 6.g3 Nh6 7.Bg2 0–0 8.0–0 c6 9.b3 f6 10.h3 Nf7 11.Be3 Re8 12.Kh2 Nf8 13.Qd2 Ne6 14.d5 Nc7 15.Ng1 c5 16.Nge2 Bd7 17.Rab1 b6 18.a3 f5 19.b4 f4 20.gxf4 Qh4 21.f3 exf4 22.Bxf4 Be5 23.bxc5 Bxh3 24.Bxe5 Bxg2+ 25.Kxg2 Rxe5 26.f4 Rh5 27.Rh1 Qg4+ 28.Ng3 Rxh1 29.Rxh1 bxc5 30.Rf1 Rb8 31.e5 dxe5 32.Nce4 Ne8 33.fxe5 h5 34.e6 Nfd6 35.Rf4 Rb2 36.Rxg4 Rxd2+ 37.Nxd2 hxg4 38.Nge4 Nb7 39.Kg3 Kg7 40.Kxg4 Ned6 41.Kf4 Kf8 42.a4 Nf5 43.Kg5 Kg7 44.Nb3 Nfd6 45.Nxd6 Nxd6 46.Nxc5 Nxc4 47.Ne4 Kf8 48.Kf6 Ke8 49.e7 1–0

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