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HERE AND THERE

Lions Chess Club Blitz



There was a three-way tie for first place in the August 28 blitz tournament at the Lions Chess Club in Burnaby. Aram Arzumanyan, Joe Roback, and Roman Jiganchine gave up single points to each other but beat everyone else in the ten-player field – all finished with 8.0/9. For the September 18 event there were also ten players participating. Clear first was David Miller, a new arrival from Edmonton, whose 7.0/9 score was a full point ahead of second-place finishers Arzumanyan and Jiganchine. <u>More photos facebook page</u>

Online adventures

British Columbia players are still taking the opportunity to participate in competitive events from the comfort of their own homes. The **Eagle Minds August Grand Prix** (August 29) included Zachary Liu (<u>Open Section</u>, 1.0/3) and Azher Hossain and Wesley Russell (<u>U1600</u>, 3.0 and 2.0 points respectively from five games). In the five-round <u>Thornhill Grand Prix 6</u> (September 5) Azher Hossain scored 4.0 points and tied for second while Leon Gong had 2.0 points. And the September edition of the <u>Thursday Night Marathon</u> hosted by San Francisco Mechanics' Institute saw yet another tournament victory for Azerbaijani GM Gadir Guseinov with 5.5/6, but clear second place went to Max Gedajlovic who beat Indian IM Bala Chandra Prasad Dhulipalla in the fifth round en route to scoring 5.0 points.

Gedajlovic, Max – Dhulipalla, Bala Chandra Prasad [D31] Thursday Night Marathon (online) chess.com (5), 16.09.2021

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 a6 4.cxd5 exd5 5.Bf4 Nf6 6.e3 c5 7.Nf3 c4 8.Ne5 b5 9.a3 Bb7 10.g4 Nc6 11.Bg2 Na5 12.g5 Ne4 13.Nxe4 dxe4 14.Qc2 Nb3 15.Rd1 Qd5 16.f3 Qe6 17.fxe4 f6 18.d5 Qb6 19.Ng4 fxg5 20.Bxg5 Qg6 21.h4 Bd6 22.0–0 Nc5 23.Nf6+ Kd8 24.Qc3 h6 25.e5 hxg5 26.exd6 gxf6 27.Rxf6 Qg7 28.Rdf1 Kc8 29.Qa5 Kb8 30.Rf7 Qxf7 1–0

FIDE Online Olympiad (August 20 - September 15)

With the continuing pandemic FIDE chose for the second year in a row to hold an online olympiad. Each team consisted of six players and had to include at least two women, one player under 20, and one girl under 20; teams were also allowed up to six reserve players. One hundred and fifty-three countries were represented, leading to a sprawling competition involving qualification to progressively higher divisions with the stronger teams seeded into the later stages. Canada was ranked in the top twenty-five (aggregated result from the 2018 Batumi Olympiad and last year's online event) and entered directly into the top division, in a pool which included the U.S., Poland, England, Cuba, and the Netherlands. Each pool consisted of a round robin between ten countries, played over three days at a time control of 15 + 5, with the top two advancing to the knockout finals.

The Canadian team consisted of IM Nikolay Noritsyn, GM Razvan Preotu, WGMs Anna Burtasova and Maili-Jade Ouellet, FM Rohan Talukdar, WIM Svitlana Demchenko, WFM Oksana Golubeva, and (from BC) FM Max Gedajlovic. Ranked seventh in the pool, Canada had an excellent result and were pressing for one of the two qualifying spots until losing to Peru in round 7. A draw with top-ranked Poland in the last round left Canada in third place, with Poland and the U.S. advancing to the medal round. Nevertheless Canada had the satisfaction of beating the Netherlands, Cuba, and especially England, the latter by a 5.0-1.0 score (although in fairness England did not have the necessary strength in depth and was actually lower ranked than Canada in the pool). The best Canadian score was Razvan Preotu's 6.0/9; Max played five games and scored 50%. In the knockout final Russia defeated the U.S., they eliminated China and India respectively in the semi-finals. Tournament website crosstable for Pool D teams and individual results for Pool D

Noritsyn, Nikolay (CAN) – Howell, David W.L. (ENG) [B13] Olympiad Group D (online) chess.com (5.1), 09.09.2021

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.Nf3 Nf6 5.Ne5 g6 6.Be2 Bg7 7.0–0 0–0 8.Nd2 Nc6 9.c3 Bf5 10.Nb3 Ne4 11.Bf4 f6 12.Nd3 e5 13.Be3 b6 14.a3 a5 15.f3 Nd6 16.Nd2 Be6 17.Bf2 Bf7 18.a4 Re8 19.Ne1 Ra7 20.Nc2 Rae7 21.dxe5 Nxe5 22.Re1 Bh6 23.Bf1 Qc7 24.Nd4 Qb7 25.Qc2 Kg7 26.Rad1 Rd8 27.b3 Ree8 28.Nb1 Rc8 29.Qb2 Qb8 30.Na3 Nb7 31.Bb5 Re7 32.Bg3 Rcc7 33.Nc6 Nxc6 34.Bxc6 Qd8 35.Bxc7 Rxc7 36.Bxb7 Rxb7 37.Nb5 Rd7 38.Qf2 Bf4 39.g3 Be5 40.Kg2 g5 41.Qd2 Bg6 42.Nd4 Qc8 43.Ne6+ Kg8 44.Nd4 Rc7 45.Re3 Bf7 46.Rde1 Kg7 47.Rxe5 fxe5 48.Qxg5+ Kf8 49.Qxe5 Rxc3 50.Qh8+ Bg8 51.Qf6+ Bf7 52.Ne6+ Ke8 53.Ng5+ Kd7 54.Re7+ 1–0

Jones, Gawain C.B. (ENG) – Preotu, Razvan (CAN) [B23] Olympiad Group D (online) chess.com (5.2), 09.09.2021

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 d6 3.Bb5+ Bd7 4.Bxd7+ Qxd7 5.d4 cxd4 6.Qxd4 Nc6 7.Qd3 g6 8.Nf3 Bg7 9.0–0 Nf6 10.Nd5 0–0 11.Bg5 Nxd5 12.exd5 Ne5 13.Nxe5 Bxe5 14.c3 b5 15.Rae1 Rfc8 16.Re3 Rc4 17.f4

Bf6 18.Bxf6 exf6 19.b3 Rc5 20.f5 Re8 21.fxg6 hxg6 22.Rg3 Qe7 23.h4 Qe4 24.h5 Qxd3 25.Rxd3 f5 26.g4 Re5 27.gxf5 gxh5 28.Rg3+ Kf8 29.Rh3 Rcxd5 30.Rxh5 Ke7 31.Rh8 Kf6 32.Ra8 Re2 33.Rf2 Rxf2 34.Kxf2 Rd2+ 35.Ke3 Rxa2 36.Ke4 Ra3 37.Rd8 Ke7 38.Ra8 a5 39.Ra7+ Kf6 40.Rd7 Rxb3 41.Rxd6+ Kg5 42.Rd7 Rxc3 43.Rxf7 a4 44.Ke5 Re3+ 45.Kd4 Re1 46.Rb7 a3 47.Ra7 b4 48.Ra4 Kxf5 49.Kd3 b3 50.Ra5+ Kf4 51.Ra4+ Ke5 52.Kd2 b2 53.Ra5+ Kd6 54.Ra6+ Kc7 55.Rxa3 b1Q 56.Rc3+ Kb7 0–1

Gedajlovic, Max (CAN) – Derakhshani, Borna (ENG) [D45] Olympiad Group D (online) chess.com (5.5), 09.09.2021

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 d5 4.Nc3 c6 5.e3 Nbd7 6.Qc2 Be7 7.b3 0–0 8.Bb2 a5 9.Bd3 b6 10.g4 Nxg4 11.Bxh7+ Kh8 12.h3 Nh6 13.Bd3 f5 14.Ne2 Bf6 15.Nf4 Qe8 16.Rg1 Rg8 17.h4 Nf8 18.0–0–0 a4 19.Rg5 axb3 20.axb3 Bxg5 21.hxg5 Ng6 22.Nxg6+ Qxg6 23.gxh6 gxh6 24.Ne5 Qf6 25.c5 Ba6 26.cxb6 Bxd3 27.Qxd3 Rg7 28.Qc3 Qd8 29.Qc5 Rb8 30.Nxc6 Qxb6 31.Nxb8 Rc7 32.Kb1 Rxc5 33.dxc5+ 1–0

Gedajlovic, Max (CAN) – Quirhuayo Chumbe, German Gonzalo (PER) [E10] Olympiad Group D (online) chess.com (7.5), 10.09.2021

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 c5 4.d5 b5 5.Bf4 bxc4 6.Nc3 exd5 7.Nxd5 Nxd5 8.Qxd5 Nc6 9.Ne5 Nxe5 10.Bxe5 Ba6 11.Bc7 Qxc7 12.Qxa8+ Bc8 13.0–0–0 Be7 14.Qe4 c3 15.e3 Bb7 16.Qg4 cxb2+ 17.Kb1 0–0 18.Rxd7 Be4+ 19.Bd3 Bxd3+ 20.Rxd3 Bf6 21.Qc4 h5 22.Rd5 Rc8 23.Rxh5 Rd8 24.e4 Qf4 25.Rd5 Re8 26.f3 Bd4 27.Rxd4 cxd4 28.Qxd4 Rb8 29.Qd3 Qc7 30.Rd1 a5 31.Qd6 Qb7 32.Qd5 Qb4 33.e5 Re8 34.Qd4 Qf8 35.f4 Rb8 36.f5 Qc8 37.Qd7 Qc4 38.e6 Qe4+ 39.Qd3 Qxg2 40.e7 Kh7 41.f6+ g6 42.Qd5 Qe2 43.Qxf7+ Kh6 44.Qd5 Rb5 45.Qd2+ Qxd2 46.Rxd2 Re5 47.f7 1–0

Online Rapid World Cup for Cadets and Youths Finals (August 26-31)

Previously we reported on the preliminary stage of the <u>Rapid World Cup</u>, FIDE's pandemic replacement for the WYCC and held in the usual two-year age categories both open and girls (but no U8 sections). The top finishers in each section qualified for the Final Stage, held August 26-31 as a knockout format, each section beginning with sixteen players. Five Canadians participated in the finals, Zachary Hankun Liu (from this province) and Jifan Zhao (both U10), Chen Rae (U10G), Hanxi Jiang (U12G), and Shawn Rodrigue-Lemieux (U18). Unfortunately they were all eliminated in the first round of the finals, and only Chen Rae and Shawn Rodrigue-Lemieux were able to take any points from their opponents (a draw in each case). <u>Canadian results tournament site</u>

Over/Under 1800 (August 21-22)

This sine nomine (without a name) over-the-board tournament held at the Edmonton Chess Club included some guests from the Lower Mainland: Joe Roback, Callum Lehingrat, and Tristan Taylor competed in the <u>Over 1800</u> while Ashton Taylor was in the <u>Under 1800</u>. Both brothers were in the prize money – Tristan was part of a four-way tie for second behind Over 1800 winner Eddie Xu, while Ashton was involved in a three-way tie for third; the Under 1800 winners were Ron Offengenden and Yash Darvekar.

Max Gedajlovic in Europe

Also playing competitively out of province in August was Max Gedajlovic, although he went a little bit further afield than Alberta. The inaugural <u>Jesolo International Chess Festival</u> (August 1-7) (Jesolo is a seaside resort within Metropolitan Venice) attracted seventy-seven players in three sections including four grandmasters. Despite this it was American IM Praveen Balakrishnan who was the overall winner with 7.0/9; Max tied for fourth with 5.5 points, having score 50% against the three grandmasters he faced. Next was the much larger (and stronger) <u>19th Spilimbergo Open</u> (August 9-15), three hundred and thirty-two players in four sections. (Spilimbergo is northeast of Venice.) Here Max scored the same number of points, 5.5; there was tie for first place between GMs Raunak



Sadhwani and Pier Luigi Basso with 7.0/9. Finally it was northwest and across the Austria border for the <u>5th Innsbruck International Chess Festival</u> (August 21-29). Here Max was joined by fellow Canadians Mike Ivanov, Geordie Derraugh, and Daniel Wiebe. The big Canadian success story was Mike Ivanov, whose 6.5/9 score was sufficient to tie for third and garner an IM norm. The overall winner was GM Raunak Sadhwani (again) on 8.0 points, Max finished with 5.0.

Gedajlovic, Max – Kristoferitsch, Daniel [D24] Innsbruck Chess Festival 5th Innsbruck (4.11), 23.08.2021

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 d5 4.Nc3 dxc4 5.e4 b5 6.e5 Nd5 7.Nxb5 Nb6 8.Be2 Nc6 9.0–0 Be7 10.Nc3 Bb7 11.Be3 0–0 12.Rc1 Qd7 13.d5 exd5 14.Bxb6 axb6 15.Bxc4 d4 16.Re1 Qg4 17.Nd5 Bb4 18.h3 Qc8 19.Nxb4 Nxb4 20.e6 Bd5 21.Ng5 fxe6 22.Qxd4 c5 23.Qh4 h6 24.Nxe6 Rf7 25.Bxd5 Nxd5 26.Rcd1 Qd7 27.Qe4 Rxa2 28.Rxd5 1–0

NAYCC (August 17-21)



⁽photo by Sarah D'Souza)

Held over-the-board in Chicago, this year's North American Youth Chess Championships in the usual two-year age categories (both open and for girls) attracted a total of four hundred players,

twenty-one of them from Canada. With direct titles and norms at stake the competition in such continental events is always fierce; Canadians who finished in the top ten in their respective categories were Chen Shuang (sixth, U10G), Johnathan Han (second, U12), Anni Guo (ninth, U12G), Rachel Ruoxu Chen (second, U14G – born in Vancouver), Ian Zhao (fourth, U16), Max Rusonik (ninth, U16), and Anthony Atanasov (fourth, U18 – playing up two sections). Congratulations to everyone and to all the Canadian participants. <u>Tournament website Canadian results</u>

Extension - Internet Rated Games and COVID-19 Rating Incentive

From the <u>CFC Forum</u>:

The CFC is extending to January 1st, 2022 the interim policy to accept internet events for Quick (Active). The COVID-19 rating incentive will also be extended until January 1st, 2022. Players who play a minimum of ten CFC rated games between October 1st, 2020 and January 1st, 2022 and who attain a Quick rating that is 200 points higher than their Regular rating will have their Regular rating increased by 200 points. The minimum time control for qualifying events is 25 minutes per player including increments. The total time is calculated based on a sixty-move game. For example, 15 minutes per player plus a 10 second increment is 25 minutes per player.

The COVID-19 rating incentive can only be earned once in a player's lifetime where pre-bonus rating exceeds 1200. Players with ratings under 1200 are eligible for up to four 200-point bonuses in their lifetime up to a maximum rating of 1400. Only paid-up CFC members are eligible for this incentive.

Players, TDs or organizers may forward applications to the CFC by e-mail. Otherwise, a review will be conducted and bonus points added at the end of the incentive period.

Salmon Arm Chess Club

For anyone in the vicinity of Salmon Arm there is a new place to play chess:

Club: Salmon Arm Chess Club Venue: Okanagan College, Student Lounge Day & Time: Every Wednesday at 6 pm Contact: Craig Bacon (250) 803-8495

DAN SCOONES MEMORIAL (August 14-15) attracts 87 players, 17 from out of province

Dan Scoones was prominent in BC chess for six decades including two provincial cochampionships. It was fitting, therefore, to honour his recent passing with a memorial chess tournament. This took place on the weekend of 14/15 August in the form of a six-round, threesection event on chess.com. Prizes were limited to trophies and chess lessons with \$800 contributed towards a celebration of life for our friend Dan.



Dan Scoones, Brentwood Bay 1966

BC tournaments have been attracting a fair amount of interest from outside the province. Partly, I believe it is because of the unique format of three rounds per day for two days and what could be considered a "slow" time control of game in 30 minutes with 15 second increments. The majority of the competition offers single-day tournaments with more rounds and shorter time controls. The Dan Scoones Memorial attracted fourteen players from Ontario and one each from Washington, Alberta, and Quebec.

As usual, the players were mostly young with a sprinkling of veterans and new players. The battle for first place in the Premier Section was settled on tie-break between Kane Pan (right) and Joe Soliven (both 5-1). Kane's victory over Joe in round five settled the tie-break. In the U1600 Section, Isaac Trenton had a clean sweep of 6-0. Top U1200 was Vahagn Aydinyan (5-1) with the narrowest possible tie-break of half a point. Since there were insufficient direct encounters between the four players that tied for first, the second tie-break Buchholz (sum of their opponents' scores) was used to break the tie. Tony Dong won the top unrated prize. <u>Website</u>

Pan, Kane – Soliven, Joe [D02] Scoones mem (online) chess.com (5.1), 15.08.2021 [Kane Pan]



1.d4 d5 2.Bf4 Nf6 3.Nf3 e6 4.c3 c5 5.e3 Nc6 6.Bd3 Bd6 7.Bg3 Bxg3 8.hxg3 b6 9.Nbd2 Bb7
10.Ne5 My goal is to gain some control in the centre. 10...Nxe5 I am okay because I have space in the centre with this pawn. 11.dxe5 Nd7 12.f4 Consolidating the centre.



sure what the goal is. Maybe trying to take his own space on the kingside, but this move makes his king very weak. **13.g4** Breaking the line of defence for his king. 13...g6 14.gxf5 exf5 15.g4 This is okay, but I was also considering 15.Bxf5 which would have been even better. 15...c4 16.Bc2 The rest of the game was me attacking his weakened king and I later gained a material advantage which won me the game. 16...d4 17.Rh2 dxc3 18.Nxc4 cxb2 19.Nd6+ Kf8 20.Rb1 Qc7 21.Nxb7 Qxb7 22.Qd6+ Ke8 23.Ba4 b5 24.Rbxb2 a6 25.gxf5 Qf3 26.f6 Qxe3+ 27.Rhe2 Qc3+ 28.Rbd2 Qg3+ 29.Kd1 Qg1+ 30.Re1 Qg4+ 31.Kc1 Rc8+ 32.Bc2 Kd8 33.Qb6+ Ke8 34.f7+ Kf8 35.Qd6+ Kq7 36.f8Q+ Rhxf8 37.Qxd7+ Qxd7 38.Rxd7+ Kh8 39.e6 Rxf4 40.e7 Rd8 41.exd8Q+ 1-0

Fremmerlid, Nick – Trenton, Isaac [B23] Scoones mem U1600 (online) chess.com (5.1), 15.08.2021

[Isaac Trenton]

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 The Closed Sicilian. 2...d6 3.g3 A drawish, symmetrical line. 3...Nf6 4.Bg2 Nc6
5.Nge2 g6 6.d3 Bg7 7.0–0 Bd7 8.f4 Qc8 A critical move, discouraging f5, preparing an eventual Bh3. 9.Be3 h5 10.Qd2 Too slow, most likely; 10.f5 would have proved more testing. 10...h4
11.Nd5 Ng4 12.Rab1 e6 13.Ndc3 Nxe3 14.Qxe3 hxg3 Suboptimal in comparison to the immediate 14...Bd4 15.Qxg3 Nd4 16.f5 Be5 With no opposing darked-squared bishop, certain avenues grew more easily accessible. 17.Nf4 exf5 18.Ncd5 Relinquishing control over e2.
18...Ne2+ 19.Nxe2 Bxg3 20.Nxg3 Qd8 Consolidating my own weaknesses. 21.exf5



21...0–0 In hindsight a premature decision, the king is deceptively vulnerable on g8; 21...Qh4 would have presented a more immediate threat. 22.fxg6 Letting me off the hook, relieving tension. 22...fxg6 23.Rxf8+ Kxf8 Maintaining control over c7. 24.Rf1+ Kg7 Disallowing future knight checks. 25.Ne4 Be6 26.Ndf6 Qe7 27.c4 Rf8 Finally untangling my pieces. 28.Rf2 Bf5 29.Nd5 Qe5 30.Ndc3 Qd4 31.Ng5 No doubt hoping for Ne6+ 31...Bg4 32.Bf3 Rxf3 The alternate capture would allow Ne6+ once again.

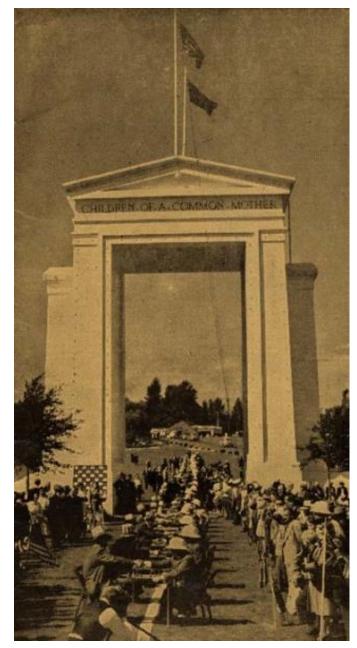
33.Nxf3 Bxf3 34.Nb5 Qxd3 35.Nxd6 Qxd6 36.Rxf3 Qd1+ 37.Kg2 Qc2+ 38.Rf2 Qxc4 39.b3 Qd5+ 40.Kg1 b5 41.Kf1 c4 42.bxc4 bxc4 43.Ke1 c3 44.Re2 Qh1+ 45.Kf2 c2 An unstoppable pawn. 46.Re7+ Kf6 47.Re3 0–1

PEACE ARCH CENTENNIAL

The celebrations have largely been postponed because of the pandemic, but 6 September 2021 marked one hundred years since the dedication of the Peace Arch monument in Blaine. The arch itself, emblematic of the peaceful relationship between the United States and Canada, was designed in 1914 to commemorate the hundredth anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Ghent in 1814, the document which brought to a close the War of 1812. But construction was delayed by the First World War, then by the Spanish Flu epidemic, and the monument was not completed until 1921.

Why does this interest us? Well, the Peace Arch and its surrounding park was the site of several BC - Washington chess matches, notably the largest one in August 1947. The series of matches had begun in March of the previous year at Mount Vernon, with a rematch in Vancouver in July. There were also two matches in 1947, the first again at Mount Vernon in March followed by a rematch in August:

"The most spectacular chess match ever organized in the Pacific Northwest will take place at Peace Arch Park near Blaine, commencing at 1:30 pm Sunday, August 17. Players from Washington and British Columbia will compete for a handsome trophy designed in replica for the Peace Arch. Newsreel cameras will be on hand, along with bands and a courtesy detachment of Highway Patrol. Open air supper will be served and non-chess players will find many items of interest to warrant their attendance. Players are requested to bring boards and men, and those



with transportation are urged to bring along folding tables. In case of rain, indoor accommodation has been arranged in Blaine. The cost to chess players who will play hosts to the Americans is \$2.50, which includes playing fee and supper tickets. Non-players may purchase supper tickets at \$1.00 each. No other equipment is necessary." [*Vancouver Daily Province*, 9 August 1947]

The match duly took place with one hundred and sixty-six players, the Americans wearing 'Uncle Sam' hats, the Canadians adopting pith helmets.

"Chess players from Washington and British Columbia, competing in the fourth annual International Chess Tournament at Peace Arch Park, Blaine, divided honours yesterday. A thirty-player aggregation from several Canadian chess clubs defeated a similar group of Washingtonians in the Class A tournament, receiving as a trophy a replica of the Peace Arch. In Class B play, the Americans turned the tables, defeating the Canadians 32.5-17.5 [elsewhere 33.5-19.5] and receiving a smaller trophy. The British Columbia win was by a score of 16.5 to 11.5, counting one draw game and not including two games whose winners were to be decided today. The latter games were not played to completion during the allotted time yesterday.

One of the matches so deadlocked, with the decision to come later, was that between Jack Nourse, secretary of the Bainbridge Island Chess Club, and A. Helman, president of the Vancouver, B.C., Jewish Chess Club. F.E. Wilstrom, Vancouver, and other spectators watched as Nourse and Helman played, with no decision, right up to the dinner hour.

On eighty-three chess boards set astraddle a white line that marked the international boundary, one hundred and sixty-six players competed. Members of the Seattle Y.M.C.A. Chess Club, the University of Washington Chess Club, the Seattle Chess Club and the Queen Anne Chess Club and chess clubs in Everett, Tacoma, Port Blakely, Olympia, Bremerton and Whidbey Island represented Washington and the United States. Canadian players were from Vancouver, Chilliwack, Haney and Mission City, all in British Columbia. Unable to attend the tournament, Gov. Mon C. Wallgren sent a lengthy telegram congratulating the chess players on their particular form of border rivalry. E.L. Arnold, Seattle, president of the Washington State Chess Federation, presented the Peace Arch Trophy to the Canadian team." [Seattle Daily Times, 18 August 1947]

Thereafter the series of matches continued on an annual basis until 1963, but never again would so many players participate at the same time.



The 1948 match: from left to right, Abe Helman, BC champion; Larry Taro, president Washington Chess Federation; R.C. "Tom" Cannon, president Mount Vernon Chess Club; Dave Creemer, joint Vancouver champion and *Daily Province* chess columnist; Archie Stevenson, president City Chess Club (Vancouver)

Nourse, Jack – Helman, Abraham M. [C01] BC-WA m Blaine, 17.08.1947

1.e4 e6 2.Nc3 d5 3.exd5 exd5 4.d4 Nf6 5.Bg5 Be7 6.Bd3 0–0 7.Bxf6 Bxf6 8.Qh5 g6 9.Qxd5 Bxd4 10.Qxd8 Rxd8 11.Nge2 Bb6 12.Ne4 Nc6 13.0–0–0 Be6 14.a3 Kg7 15.Ng5 Bxf2 16.Nxe6+ fxe6 17.Rhf1 Be3+ 18.Kb1 Ne5 19.Nf4 Bxf4 20.Rxf4 Nxd3 21.cxd3 Rf8 22.Re4 Rf6 23.Rde1 Kf7 24.R1e2 Rd8 25.Kc2 Rd6 26.Rc4 c6 27.a4 Rd5 28.Kc3 Ke7 29.b4 Rdf5 30.b5 Kd6 31.bxc6 bxc6 32.Rd4+ Rd5 33.Rb4 Rc5+ 34.Kb3 Rf7 35.Rbe4 e5 36.d4 exd4 37.Rxd4+ Rd5 38.Rc4 a5 39.Rec2 c5 40.Re4 Rb7+ 41.Ka2 Rd4 42.Rxd4+ cxd4 43.Rc8 Rc7 44.Rd8+ Ke5 45.Re8+ Kd5 46.Ra8 Rc5 47.Ra7 h5 0–1

Millar, Charles Frederick – Hebert, F.E. [D02] BC-WA m Blaine, 17.08.1947

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.d4 d5 3.a3 e6 4.e3 Be7 5.b3 0–0 6.c4 c6 7.Bb2 Ne4 8.Bd3 Qc7 9.0–0 Nd7 10.Nbd2 Ndf6 11.Ne5 Rd8 12.Qc2 Nxd2 13.Qxd2 c5 14.Rac1 Bd6 15.f4 b6 16.Bb1 Bb7 17.Qc2 Ne4 18.Rf3 f5 19.Rh3 Rf8 20.Qd1 Rf6 21.Bxe4 fxe4 22.Qh5 Rh6 23.Qg4 Rxh3 24.Qxe6+ Kf8 25.Nd7+ Qxd7 26.Qxd7 Rxe3 27.Qxd6+ Kg8 28.Qe6+ Kh8 29.dxc5 Rg8 30.c6 Bc8 31.Qxd5 Rxb3 32.Rb1 Rd3 33.Qxe4 Rgd8 34.Qe5 Rg8 35.h4 Rg3 36.Kh2 Rg4 37.h5 h6 38.g3 Kh7 39.Qe4+ g6 40.Qe7+ 1–0

Atnikov, Frank – Power [B12] BC-WA m Blaine (6), 17.08.1947

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.Nf3 e6 5.Bd3 Bg6 6.0–0 c5 7.dxc5 Bxc5 8.c3 Ne7 9.Kh1 Nbc6 10.Bg5 Qc7 11.Bf4 Bh5 12.Nbd2 Ng6 13.Bxg6 hxg6 14.Qa4 Qb6 15.Bg3 Be7 16.Nd4 g5 17.f3 Bg6 18.Bf2 Qc7 19.h3 0–0 20.Nxc6 bxc6 21.Rfe1 c5 22.b3 Rfb8 23.Qg4 Qa5 24.Rec1 Qc7 25.Re1 a5 26.h4 Bf5 27.Qh5 Qd8 28.hxg5 Bxg5 29.Be3 Bh4 30.Rg1 d4 31.cxd4 cxd4 32.Bf4 Bg6 33.Qg4 Bf2 34.Rgf1 Qh4+ 35.Qxh4 Bxh4 36.Nc4 a4 37.Nd2 Bd3 38.Rfc1 Bf2 39.bxa4 Rxa4 40.Nb3 Bg6 "At this point the time limit was called, and will probably be drawn."

Burrell, Herbert Heckford – Naas [D02] BC-WA m Blaine (11), 17.08.1947

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A photo of both trophies for the BC – Washington matches taken by Miervaldis Jursevskis, date unknown but likely early 1950s. The original is tiny, hence the blurriness upon enlargement.

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