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Stephen Wright

VANCOUVER JUNIOR GRAND PRIX #7

This event attracted 34 players to the Vancouver Bridge Centre. Winners in the Quads were: Noam Davies, Jason Lee and Gavin Atkinson; Valentina Goutor and Ben Daswani; Lesley Cheng and Jasenko Dzinovic; Lo-Ching Chow and Lara Heppenstall; and Brianna Reid and Jack Cheng. In the Swiss Gary Yip and Charlie Yan both had 4.5/5, followed Kyle King a full point back.

With only one event remaining, the standings in the Grand Prix are as follows:

Atkinson, Gavin 26.4 Cheng, Lesley 22.8 Goutor, Valentina 22.6 Chow, Lo-Ching 22.5 Lee, Jason 22.1 Kostin, Andrey 21.1 Dzinovic, Jasenko 21.1 Davies, Lucas 20.6 Davies, Noam 20.2 Reid, Alexander 18.7 Yu, Danny 17.2 Young, Bryan 17.1

Gavin now has an unsurmountable lead and has therefore won the Grand Prix with one event to spare - congratulations! However, the race for the remaing places is very close, as players try to improve on their previous worst results - all will be decided at the final event, on May 25.

EMPIRES FALL INVITATIONAL

George Kosinski and James Chan were in great form and posted undefeated 3.5/5 scores; they were joined by US junior Morgan Griffiths who recovered from a slow start. Gerry Neufahrt wasn't feeling 100% but completed his games and scored 2.5/5. Thanks Gerry!

Refreshments were provided by Polaris Water (www.polaris.com) and all players received prizes provided by Chess First! Enterprises (www.northshorechess.com). Watch for future round robin events. Interested players please contact Vas Sladek at 604-787-4553, chessfm@shaw.ca

1 James Chan $1997 * \frac{1}{2} 1 \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} 1 3.5$ 2 George Kosinski $1964 \frac{1}{2} * \frac{1}{2} 1 \frac{1}{2} 1 3.5$ 3 Morgan Griffiths $2174 0 \frac{1}{2} * 1 1 1 3.5$ 4 Gerry Neufahrt $2064 \frac{1}{2} 0 0 * 1 1 2.5$ 5 Stephen Buck $1884 \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} 0 0 * 0 1.0$ 6 Geoffrey Ruelland1878 0 0 0 0 1 * 1.0

Neufahrt, G - Buck, S [D13], Empires Fall inv Vancouver (1), 04.04.2003

1.Nf3 c5 2.c3 Nf6 3.d4 cxd4 4.cxd4 d5 5.Bf4 e6 6.e3 Nc6 7.Nc3 a6 8.Rc1 Be7 9.Bd3 0-0 10.Ne5 Bd7 11.g4 Nxe5 12.dxe5 Ne4 13.Nxe4 dxe4 14.Bxe4 Qa5+ 15.Kf1 Bb5+ 16.Kg2 Rad8 17.Qf3 Rd2 18.h4 Rxb2 19.g5 Be2 20.Qg3 Bh5 21.Bf3 Bxf3+ 22.Qxf3 b5 23.h5 Rxa2 24.g6 fxg6 25.hxg6 hxg6 26.Qg4 Kf7 27.Rc6 Rxf2+ 28.Kxf2 Qa2+ 29.Kg3 b4 30.Ra1 Qd5 31.Raxa6 Rb8 32.Rxe6 Qe4 33.Rxg6 1-0

Griffiths,M - Chan,J [A87], Empires Fall inv Vancouver (2), 05.04.2003

1.d4 f5 2.c4 g6 3.g3 Bg7 4.Bg2 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Nf3 0-0 7.0-0 Qe8 8.Nd5 Nxd5 9.cxd5 Qb5 10.Ng5 h6 11.Nh3 c5 12.dxc6 Nxc6 13.d5 Ne5 14.Nf4 Bd7 15.Be3 g5 16.Nh5 Bh8 17.Bd4 Be8 18.Bxe5 Bxe5 19.e4 f4 20.gxf4 Bxf4 21.Rb1 Bg6 22.Ng3 Qd7 23.Bf3 Qh3 24.Bg4 Qh4 25.Qe2 h5 26.Bf5 Be8 27.Qc4 Rxf5 28.exf5 Bxg3 29.Qxh4 Bxh4 30.Rbc1 Bb5 31.Rfe1 g4 32.Rc7 Ba6 33.Rec1 b6 34.R1c3 Rf8 35.Rxa7 Be2 36.Re3 Bf3 37.Rb7 Rxf5 38.Rxb6 Bxd5 39.Rb8+ Kg7 40.Re2 Bxa2 41.b3 Bb1 42.b4 Bd3 43.Rd2 Bb5 44.Rc8 Re5 45.Rb2 Re1+ 0-1

IN MEMORIAM ANTE ZARADIC

From Jonathan Berry:

Ante Zaradic died Friday [April 4] in Calgary. He was born in Croatia in 1941, and came to Canada in 1967. He made an immediate impact on the local scene, winning local tournaments galore. His most impressive win, in my recollection, was the 1968 BC Open, where he scored 5.5 out of 6, ahead of Alan Hill (4.5), Suttles, Biyiasas, Turner (4), Bruce Amos, Brian Williams (3.5), Berry, Zuk, Harper, Crookes, Krzyzowski (3 each).

He also tied for 2nd in the strongest (my opinion) BC Championship ever held:

1970 BC Championship

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

1	Bob Zuk $* = 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 = 6.0$
2	Peter Biyiasas $= * = 1 \ 1 = 1 \ 0 = 5.0$
	Ante Zaradic $0 = * = 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 5.0$
	Duncan Suttles $1 \ 0 = * = 0 = 1 \ 1 \ 4.5$
	Elod Macskasy $0 \ 0 \ 0 = * \ 1 \ 1 = 1 \ 4.0$
	Ray Kerr $0 = 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ * = 1 = 3.5$
7	Stan Pakosta $0 \ 0 \ 1 = 0 = * \ 0 \ 1 \ 3.0$
8	John Lee $0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 = 0 \ 1 \ * \ 0 \ 2.5$
9	Jonathan Berry $= = 0 \ 0 \ 0 = 0 \ 1 \ * \ 2.5$

Later he moved to Calgary, where he was a force in Alberta chess for a few years, but his appearances became less and less frequent. A bear of a man when I first saw him, Ante (sometimes called Tony or Anthony) eventually lost the fight against Diabetes. When he made a tournament comeback at North Bay decades later, he was physically a shadow of his former self, and it affected his chess play, too.

His son Anthony Zaradic phoned to tell me the news. Anthony remembered that among Ante's friends were Kevin Spraggett, Bob Zuk, Peter Biyiasas, and the late Dr. Elod Macskasy.

Rest in Peace, Ante Zaradic.

From Kevin Spraggett:

I first met Ante at the 1976 Keres Memorial. We played a real fighting game and he ended up winning. Afterwards we discussed the game for a long time, and it became clear to me that I did not lose by accident: Ante was a very strong master.

Ante was a real gentleman. I will miss him. Canadian chess is a poorer place because of his passing.

My condolences to his wife and son.

Kevin Spraggett

Krzyzowski, E - Zaradic, A [A85], CAN op 9th Vancouver (3), 26.08.1971

1.d4 f5 2.c4 Nf6 3.Nc3 e6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.Nf3 0-0 6.e3 d6 7.Bd3 Nc6 8.a3 e5 9.dxe5 dxe5 10.Be2 Be6 11.Qc2 Qe8 12.Rd1 Qg6 13.Bxf6 Bxf6 14.Nd5 e4 15.Nxf6+ Rxf6 16.Nh4 Qh6 17.g3 g5 18.Ng2 Qh3 19.Bf1 Ne5 20.Nh4 Qg4 21.Be2 Nf3+ 22.Nxf3 exf3 23.Bf1 f4 24.h3 Qh5 25.gxf4 gxf4 26.Rg1+ Kf7 27.e4 Re8 28.Kd2 Rg6 29.Bd3 Rg2 30.Kc1 Qc5 31.Rdf1 Reg8 32.Rh1 Rd8 33.e5 Rd4 34.Kb1 h6 35.Re1 a5 36.Bf1 Rg7 37.h4 c6 38.Bh3 Qxc4 39.Bxe6+ Kxe6 40.Qxc4+ Rxc4 41.Rh3 Rc5 42.Rxf3 Rxe5 43.Rd1 Rg4 44.Rd4 Kf5 45.h5 Rd5 46.Rc4 Rb5 47.Kc2 Kg5 48.a4 Rf5 49.b4 Rg2 50.bxa5 Kg4 51.Rb3 Rxf2+ 52.Kd1 Rxh5 53.Ke1 Ra2 0-1

Gadia,O - Zaradic,A [C00], CAN op 9th Vancouver (7), 30.08.1971

1.e4 e6 2.d3 d5 3.Nd2 e5 4.Ngf3 Nc6 5.g3 Be6 6.Bg2 f6 7.0-0 Qd7 8.exd5 Bxd5 9.Ne4 0-0-0 10.Be3 Kb8 11.Qe2 h5 12.h4 Nh6 13.Rfd1 Ng4 14.c4 Be6 15.d4 Nxe3 16.fxe3 exd4 17.Nxd4 Nxd4 18.Rxd4 Qc8 19.Rad1 Be7 20.Rxd8 Bxd8 21.Nc5 Bg4 22.Bf3 Be7 23.b4 Bd6 24.Qg2 Bxf3 25.Qxf3 Re8 26.Rd5 b6 27.Nd3 Qe6 28.c5 Bxg3 29.c6 Bd6 30.Rxh5 Qxa2 31.Qg2 Qb1+ 32.Qf1 Qc2 33.Nf4 Qxc6 0-1

Zaradic, A - Ball, D [A01], Alberta, 1975

1.b3 d5 2.Bb2 Bg4 3.g3 Nf6 4.Bg2 e6 5.c4 c6 6.h3 Bf5 7.Nf3 h5 8.d3 Nbd7 9.a3 Qc7 10.Nc3 Be7 11.Nd4 Bg6 12.e4 dxe4 13.dxe4 Nc5 14.Qc2 0-0-0 15.0-0-0 Rd7 16.b4 Rhd8 17.bxc5 Rxd4 18.Rxd4 Rxd4 19.Nb5 cxb5 20.Bxd4 Bxc5 21.Bxc5 Qxc5 22.cxb5 Qxc2+ 23.Kxc2 Nxe4 24.Kb3 Nxf2 25.Rc1+ Kb8 26.Rc3 b6 27.a4 Nd3 28.a5 Nc5+ 29.Kb4 Kc7 30.Bf1 e5 31.Ra3 e4 32.Bc4 Kd6 33.axb6 axb6 34.Ra7 Nd7 Nc5+ 35.Kc3 Ne5 36.Be2 Nf3 37.Rb7 Ng1 38.Rxb6+ Kc7 39.Rc6+ Kb7 40.Bf1 Bf5 41.Kd4 Nf3+ 42.Ke3 g6 43.h4 Ne5 44.Rd6 Kc7 45.Ra6 Kb7 46.Bg2 Kc7 47.Bxe4 Bd7 48.b6+ 1-0

30 YEARS AGO . . . by Bruce Harper

Today's game is from the semi-finals of the 1973 B.C. Championship. White was Alan Hill, a talented and dangerous player. Black was Brian McLaren, who still plays actively and, I believe, still relies on his trusty Alekhine's Defence.

Hill-McLaren, Vancouver, 1973

1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.d4 d6 4.Nf3 g6 5.Be2 Bg7 6.0-0 0-0 7.c4 Nb6 8.exd6 cxd6 9.Nc3 Nc6 10.b3 Bg4 11.Be3 d5 12.c5 Nc8

Both players have played logically, and in fact have reached a "known position," according to me thirty years ago.

13.Rc1?

Here Karpov apparently played 13.b4!, in order to mobilize White's queenside pawn majority (13...Nxb4 14.Qb1!). By driving Black's knight from c6, White would reduce Black's pressure on d4, and thereby deprive Black of his central counterplay.

13...e6 14.h3?!

White is playing without much urgency, and the initiative soon passes to his opponent.

14...Bxf3 15.Bxf3 N8e7 16.Rc2 Nf5 17.Rd2 Qh4

Now the pressure on d4 is painful.

18.Bg4 Nxe3

Switching targets.

19.fxe3 f5 20.Bf3 Bh6 21.Qe2 Rae8 22.Re1 Qf6 23.Qf2 a6 24.Kh1 Rd8 25.g3 Rd7 26.Kg2 Qd8 27.Red1

Black is trying to play ...e6-e5, while White is trying to prevent it. White's problem is that he can't stop Black from opening lines, after which the weaknesses in White's position will be subject to attack.

27...g5 28.Qe2 Ne7 29.b4 Kh8 30.Bh5 Nc6 31.a3 Rg7 32.Bf3 Ne7 33.Rf1 Rgf7 34.Bh5 Rf6 35.Rdd1 f4

The long-awaited blow finally falls. White has actually defended tenaciously, but in so doing had gotten into severe (and characteristic) time trouble, and so...

36.Bg4 Ng6 37.Bh5 fxg3 38.Bxg6?

To stop 39...Nh4+, but...

38...Rf2+ 0:1

YANOFSKY MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT

"Vas Sladek is looking for a chess player to share travel and/or hotel room costs in Winnipeg for the August 29-Sept.1, 2003 FIDE-rated Abe Yanofsky Memorial tournament. Please call 604-787-4553 or e-mail Vas at chessfm@shaw.ca."

UPCOMING EVENTS

Individual Chess Matches

Players interested in participating in rated individual chess matches with other players of comparable or dissimilar ratings can contact Luis E. Azmitia at: azmitia@interchange.ubc.ca

Please make sure to include in the e-mail: your name, your rating, type of game preferred (i.e. active), and the rating range of possible opponents. Note that the games will be held in the Vancouver area.

Upcoming junior events:

April 19 Provincial Chess Challenge May 3-4 National CYCC Qualifier

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

UBC Tuesday Night Swiss - April - May 2003

Dates: April 22nd, April 29th, May 6th, May 13th, May 20th Place: UBC Student Union Building, Room 212 (to start) 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.

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, 4pm/10am, ASAP TC: 120+30 EF: \$40 FIDE rated, \$50 FIDE unrated Prizes: 1st \$140 plus FREE entry into Keres Open and Fritz 8 software, all players receive CB CD prizes Reg: interested FIDE rated players and ambitious unrated players please e-mail: Vas Sladek, chessfm@shaw.ca TD/Org: Vas Sladek, 604-982-0611 Misc: no smoking Sponsors: Polaris Water Co. www.polariswater.com and Chess First! Enterprises www.northshorechess.com SPEC www.spec.bc.ca

Aim Higher Active

Date: Saturday May 3.2003 Location: Parkgate Library, 3675 Banff Court, North Van Rds: 5 Type: Regular 6-player Round Robin, CFC-rated Time: 10 am start Time control: G 30 Entry Fee: \$15 Prizes: 1st ChessBase CD TD/Reg: Vas Sladek, 604-787-4553, chessfm@shaw.ca Notes: interested players must pre-register by phone or e-mail, no onsite registration; digital chess clocks and chess sets provided, CFC membership required; 'chess shuttle' from Lonsdale Quay is available Sponsored by Chess First! Enterprises, www.northshorechess.com

Turn off the TV Active

Date: Saturday May 10.2003 Location: Parkgate Library, 3675 Banff Court, North Van Rds: 5 Type: Regular 6-player Round Robin, CFC-rated Time: 10 am start Time control: G 30 Entry Fee: \$15 Prizes: 1st ChessBase CD TD/Reg: Vas Sladek, 604-787-4553, chessfm@shaw.ca Notes: interested players must pre-register by phone or e-mail, no onsite registration; digital chess clocks and chess sets provided, CFC membership required; 'chess shuttle' from Lonsdale Quay is available Sponsored by Chess First! Enterprises, www.northshorechess.com

2003 Keres Memorial Tournament

Dates: Friday May, 16th to Monday, May 19th 2003 Location: Plaza 500 Hotel, 500 West 12th Avenue, Vancouver Sections: Open, Under 2000, Under 1600 Time Control: 40/120, SD/60 Rated: Open: FIDE + CFC, Others: CFC

Rounds: Open: 7 Rounds, Others: 6 Rounds Round Times: 5:30PM (Open only), 10,4/10,4/9,3 or ASAP Prizes: 1st Open \$1.200 Guaranteed 1st Under 2000, \$1.100 Guaranteed 1st Under 1600, \$1.000 Guaranteed Top Unrated \$ 200 Guaranteed Additional Prizes dependant on Entries Entry Fees: Prior to March 31st, 2003 \$ 99 Prior to April 30th, 2003 \$125 Prior to May 15th, 2003 \$135 At Site \$150 Note: \$15 surcharge for players below 2000 CFC wanting to play in The Open Section. US\$1=CAN\$1.40 Discounts[.] Born after June 1st 1983: 50% Fide rated players w/o Titles 25% Fide Titled Players FREE Entry Registration: Mail cheques made payable to the BCCF, to: Lyle Craver, Treasurer BCCF, PO Box 15548, Vancouver, BC V6B 5B3 At Site: Friday Noon to 6PM, Saturday 8:00AM to 9:30 AM No cheques are accepted at site, cash only. TDs: Ms. Lynn Stringer, Mr. Mark Barnes, Mr. Lyle Craver Organizer: Peter Stockhausen for the BCCF Misc: The BCCF Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday afternoon, May 18. between rounds. For further Information: Peter Stockhausen (604 276 1111) pstockhausen@pacificcoast.net Lynn Stringer (250 658 5207) lynnstringer@shaw.ca

Solstice Saturday Chess Fever

Date: May 24, June 07, 14, 21 and 28 (No games on May 31) Location: Vancouver Bridge Centre, 2776 East Broadway Rds: 5 Type: Regular Swiss Time: Games start at 5:00 p.m. Time Control: 30/90 G/60 Entry Fee: \$25, \$20 for Juniors and Masters Prizes: \$\$ Ben CFC Rated Org: James Kerry 778 773 2761 and Luc Poitras (604) 438-0496

Kelowna Summer Fest

Dates: July. 5 & 6, 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 TD & Org Lynn Stringer Wally Steinke & Ian Higgs wsteinke@sd22.bc.ca ph (250) 545-6677 ianofski@cablelan.net

BC Open

Date: August 2-4, 2003 Location: Vancouver Bridge Centre, 2776 East Broadway Rds: 6 Type: Regular Swiss TD: Stephen Wright More details to follow.