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### WESTERN CANADIAN OPEN

This important 10-round event begins tomorrow at the Vancouver Airport Conference Resort in Richmond, and there is still time for YOU to enter - come out and try your skill against your local peers and a host of visiting Canadian and foreign players. Details at <http://www.chessbc.com/>

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### CANADIAN YOUTH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Six intrepid juniors from B.C. have made the trek to Kapuskasing (Northern Ontario) to participate in this year's National CYCC, taking place July 6th to July 9th: Stefan Trandafir and Sam Churchill (U14B), Tiffany Tang (U14G), Alexandra Botez (U10G), and Chelsea and Erika Ruiter (U12G and U10G respectively).

Some sections of the tournament are still ongoing, but it appears that Tiffany Tang has won her section with 4.5/5, while Alexandra is leading hers with the same score. Full B.C. results will appear in the next issue of the Bulletin (July 22), but for those who can't wait, there is web coverage at:

<http://www.kapchess.com/kapchess/youth.html>

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### GM FEST by Bruce Harper

Reports, games and photos: <http://www.chessbc.com/>

### Simultaneous Exhibitions

The GM Fest at St. John's school in Vancouver on July 4, 2004, saw Swedish Grandmaster Pia Cramling play 28 opponents in a simultaneous exhibition lasting a little over four hours, after which her husband, Spanish Grandmaster Juan Bellon, took on 18 opponents. In total, the event ran from 1:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

The star of the event was 11-year old Louie Jiang, who defeated both GMs. As White against Cramling, Louie had steady pressure and eventually won a pawn, then a second pawn, winding up in a winning ending. Against Bellon, Louie was in trouble out of the opening but defended tenaciously, and after his opponent missed a win, he found a tactical solution to his problems. Louie, now rated 1699, was rated only 1157 a year ago, and is obviously a player to watch.

Louie's double win robbed Valentina Goutor and Lucas Davies of the headlines they deserved for winning one game and drawing the other. Valentina was in difficulty against Cramling, but a

desperate exchange sacrifice turned into a sound exchange sacrifice when Cramling forgot to throw in a crucial exchange of minor pieces. Against Bellon, on the other hand, Valentina had a big advantage in a double-rook and opposite coloured bishop ending, but for once her technique let her down and the game ended in a draw.

Lucas seemed to have a bad position against Cramling (Lucas will probably deny this), but somehow Cramling was unable to find a win. Against Bellon, in contrast, Lucas got the sort of quiet position he likes and after an hour of so of grinding, the deed was done.

Vas Sladek, who generously donated software and ChessBase CDs as prizes, won one of them by defeating Cramling in a very interesting and strange positional game. Bellon avenged his wife's defeat in violent fashion.

Noam Davies also drew Bellon in a hard fought and confusing game.

The end results were therefore that Cramling lost three games (Jiang, Goutor, Sladek) and drew one game (Davies L), while Bellon lost two games (Jiang, Davies L) and drew two games (Goutor, Davies N).

Many of the participants expressed their high opinion of and appreciation for the playing area, which was spacious and well lit, with easy access and parking. Our thanks to St. John's school for their cooperation and support, and especially to Suhkbir Bolina, who not only secured the site but helped with the heavy lifting and other logistics. Our thanks to the many others who devoted time and effort to help make these events a success – and especially to GMs Cramling and Bellon, who made many new friends and fans.

#### **Jiang,L - Cramling,P [B48] Simul Vancouver, 04.07.2004**

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nc6 5.Nc3 Qc7 6.Be3 a6 7.Qd2 Nf6 8.0–0–0 Bb4 9.f3 Ne5 10.Nb3 d5 11.Bd4 0–0 12.Qg5 Ned7 13.e5 Ne8 14.Qe3 b6 15.Na4 Rb8 16.a3 Be7 17.Qc3 Qxc3 18.Nxc3 f6 19.f4 fxe5 20.fxe5 Bg5+ 21.Kb1 Bf4 22.Re1 Rf5 23.g4 Rf7 24.Bg2 Nc7 25.Nxd5 exd5 26.e6 Nxe6 27.Rxe6 Nf6 28.Rxf6 Rxf6 29.Bxf6 gxf6 30.Bxd5+ Kf8 31.Rf1 Bxh2 32.Rxf6+ Ke7 33.Rh6 Be5 34.Rxh7+ Kd6 35.Bf3 Be6 36.Nd2 Bf4 37.Ne4+ Ke5 38.Nf2 Rf8 39.Nd3+ Kd4 40.Re7 Bg5 41.Rxe6 Rxf3 42.Rxb6 1–0

#### **Sladek,V - Cramling,P [D00] Simul Vancouver, 04.07.2004**

1.d4 d5 2.Bg5 h6 3.Bh4 c6 4.e3 Qb6 5.b3 e5 6.Nf3 Bg4 7.Be2 Bxf3 8.Bxf3 Nd7 9.0–0 Be7 10.Bg3 e4 11.Be2 Ngf6 12.Nd2 Nf8 13.c4 Ne6 14.c5 Qd8 15.b4 g5 16.a4 h5 17.b5 Rh6 18.bxc6 bxc6 19.Ba6 Qd7 20.Rb1 Nd8 21.Qb3 h4 22.Be5 Ng4 23.Bb8 h3 24.g3 f5 25.f3 Nf6 26.f4 Ng4 27.Qc3 Rg6 28.Kh1 Bf8 29.fxg5 Be7 30.Be2 Rxc5 31.Bf4 Rg6 32.a5 Bg5 33.Bxc4 fxg4 34.a6 Bxf4 35.Rxf4 Qc8 36.Nxe4 dxe4 37.d5 1–0

#### **Cramling,P - Harper,L [A49] Simul Vancouver, 04.07.2004**

1.Nf3 g6 2.d4 d6 3.b3 Bg7 4.Bb2 Nf6 5.g3 0–0 6.Bg2 Bg4 7.Nbd2 Nc6 8.h3 Bd7 9.0–0 Re8 10.e4 e5 11.d5 Ne7 12.c4 Nh5 13.c5 Rc8 14.Nc4 Bb5 15.Rc1 f5 16.Ng5 Nf6 17.Ne6 Qd7 18.Re1 fxe4 19.Nxg7 Kxg7 20.Ne3 Bd3 21.f3 Rf8 22.f4 Kg8 23.fxe5 dxe5 24.Bxe5 Nfxd5 25.Ng4 h5 26.Nf2 Rxf2 27.Kxf2 Qf5+ 28.Kg1 Nb4 29.Bd4 Nxa2 30.Ra1 Nb4 31.Rc1 Nbc6 32.Ba1 Rf8 33.Qd2 Kh7 34.Qb2 Rg8 35.b4 a6 36.Rcd1 Nd5 37.Rxd3 exd3 38.Rf1 Qe6 39.Qf2 Nd8 40.Re1 Qf5 41.Qxf5 1–0

**Cramling,P - Goutor,V [D00] Simul Vancouver, 04.07.2004**

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Bf4 Bg7 5.e3 0-0 6.Be2 Bg4 7.Ne5 Bxe2 8.Qxe2 Nbd7 9.h4 h5 10.0-0-0 e6 11.f3 c5 12.g4 Rc8 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.Be5 cxd4 15.exd4 hxg4 16.fxg4 Rxc3 17.bxc3 Ne4 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Rd3 Qa4 20.Kb1 Rc8 21.Rhh3 Rc6 22.c4 Qxc4 23.Qh2 Rb6+ 24.Rb3 Qxd4 25.Rhd3 Nc3+ 26.Kc1 Nxa2+ 27.Kd2 Qa1 28.Ke3 Nb4 29.Rd4 Qc1+ 30.Kf3 Nxc2 31.Qe5+ Kh7 32.Rxb6 Nxd4+ 33.Qxd4 axb6 34.h5 Qb1 35.hxg6+ Qxg6 36.Qxb6 Qe4+ 37.Kg3 d4 38.Qc7 Kg7 0-1

**Davies,L - Cramling,P [B26] Simul Vancouver, 04.07.2004**

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7 5.d3 d6 6.Be3 e6 7.Qd2 Nge7 8.Bh6 Bxh6 9.Qxh6 Nd4 10.Qd2 Qa5 11.Nge2 Bd7 12.0-0 0-0 13.f4 Rab8 14.Rfc1 b5 15.a3 Qb6 16.Nd1 Nec6 17.Ne3 c4 18.Kh1 Nxe2 19.Qxe2 Nd4 20.Qd2 cxd3 21.Qxd3 Bc6 22.Rd1 e5 23.f5 f6 24.b4 gxf5 25.c3 fxe4 26.Bxe4 Qb7 27.Bxc6 Qxc6+ 28.Ng2 Nf3 29.Qxd6 Qxd6 30.Rxd6 Rbc8 31.Rd3 e4 32.Re3 f5 33.a4 a6 34.axb5 axb5 35.Rf1 Rcd8 36.Nf4 Rd2 37.Re2 Rfd8 38.Ref2 Rxf2 39.Rxf2 Rd1+ 40.Kg2 Rc1 41.Nd5 Kf7 42.Ra2 Ke6 43.Nc7+ Ke5 44.Nxb5 Kd5 45.Re2 Kc4 46.Nd6+ Kd3 47.Ra2 Ne1+ 48.Kh3 Rxc3 49.Nxf5 e3 50.Nxe3 Kxe3 51.Ra7 h5 52.Rh7 Nf3 53.Rxh5 Rc2 54.Kg4 Nxh2+ 55.Kf5 Rf2+ 56.Ke6 Nf3 57.Kd6 Rb2 58.Kc5 Rc2+ 59.Kb6 Kd4 60.b5 Ne5 61.Ka7 Nc4 62.b6 Ra2+ 63.Kb7 Rb2 64.Rh6 Rg2 65.Ka8 1/2-1/2

**Bellon Lopez,J - Sladek,V [D00] Simul Vancouver, 04.07.2004**

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bg5 d5 3.Bxf6 exf6 4.e3 Bd6 5.c4 dxc4 6.Bxc4 0-0 7.Nc3 f5 8.Nf3 Nd7 9.Qc2 Nf6 10.Bd3 g6 11.h4 c5 12.0-0-0 cxd4 13.Nxd4 Qe7 14.h5 Be6 15.hxg6 hxg6 16.Bxf5 Be5 17.Bxe6 Bxd4 18.Qxg6# 1-0

**Bellon Lopez,J - Jiang,L [D52] Simul Vancouver, 04.07.2004**

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3 c6 5.Bg5 Nbd7 6.e3 Qa5 7.Nd2 Bb4 8.Qc2 Ne4 9.Ncxe4 dxe4 10.Bh4 f5 11.a3 Bxd2+ 12.Qxd2 Qxd2+ 13.Kxd2 b6 14.b4 a5 15.b5 Bb7 16.a4 e5 17.bxc6 Bxc6 18.d5 Bb7 19.Rb1 h6 20.f4 exf3 21.gxf3 Rb8 22.e4 Rf8 23.c5 bxc5 24.Bb5 fxe4 25.fxe4 Rf4 26.Rhg1 g5 27.Bxg5 hxg5 28.Rxg5 Rf7 29.Rxe5+ Kd8 30.Re6 Bc8 31.Ke3 Re7 32.Rh6 Nb6 33.Rd6+ Bd7 34.Bxd7 Nc4+ 35.Kd3 Rxb1 36.Kxc4 Rxd7 37.Rh6 Rb4+ 38.Kxc5 Rxe4 39.d6 Rf7 40.h4 Kd7 0-1

**Bellon Lopez,J - Davies,L [A46] Simul Vancouver, 04.07.2004**

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bg5 e6 3.e4 h6 4.Bxf6 Qxf6 5.Nf3 c5 6.e5 Qd8 7.d5 g6 8.Nc3 Bg7 9.dxe6 dxe6 10.Qxd8+ Kxd8 11.0-0-0+ Ke7 12.Nb5 Nc6 13.Re1 b6 14.Nd6 Bd7 15.Nc4 Rhd8 16.c3 Bc8 17.Nd6 Kf8 18.Nxc8 Raxc8 19.Ba6 Rc7 20.Re2 Nb8 21.Bc4 a6 22.a4 Rb7 23.Rd1 Rxd1+ 24.Kxd1 b5 25.axb5 axb5 26.Bd3 Nc6 27.Be4 Rd7+ 28.Kc2 Nxe5 29.Nxe5 Bxe5 30.Bxg6 Bxh2 31.Be4 Rd6 32.g3 f5 33.Bf3 Bg1 34.b3 Ke7 35.g4 Kf6 36.gxf5 exf5 37.Bb7 Kg5 38.c4 b4 39.Bd5 Ra6 40.Kd3 Ra3 41.Rb2 Kf4 42.Ke2 Ra1 43.Bg2 h5 44.Bh3 h4 45.Rd2 Rb1 46.Rd3 Rb2+ 47.Kf1 Bxf2 48.Bg2 Be3 49.Bd5 h3 50.Bb7 h2 51.Bc6 Rb1+ 52.Ke2 h1Q 53.Bxh1 Rxh1 54.Rxe3 Re1+ 0-1

**Bellon Lopez,J - Davies,N [A00] Simul - Bellon Vancouver, 04.07.2004**

[Noam Davies]

**1.Nc3 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.e3 e6 4.b3 c5 5.Bb2 Nc6 6.Bb5 Bd6 7.d4 cxd4 8.Nxd4 Bd7 9.a4 e5 10.Nf3 Bg4 11.h3 Bh5 12.g4 Bg6 13.Nh4 0-0** I went into this, forgetting that after fxg6 Qxd5 would be check; fxg6 would otherwise be quite good. **14.Nxg6 hxg6 15.g5 Nh5 16.Qxd5 Nb4 17.Qd2 Qxg5 18.0-0-0 Be7 19.Rhg1 Qh4 20.Nd5 Rfd8 21.Rg4 Rxd5 22.Qxd5 Nxd5 23.Rxh4 Bxh4 24.Rxd5 f6 25.Rd2 a6 26.Bc4+ Kh7 27.Kd1 Rc8 28.Ke2 Rc7 29.Ba3 f5 30.Bd6 Rd7 31.Be6 Rd8 32.c4 Nf6 33.f3 e4 34.f4**

**Nh5 35.c5 Ng3+ 36.Kd1 Nf1 37.Re2 Be7 38.Ke1 Bxd6 39.cxd6 Rxd6 40.Bc8 Ng3 41.Rg2 Nh5 42.Rd2 [42.Bxb7 Rd3—+] 42...Rb6 43.Rb2 Nf6 44.Kd2 Kg8 45.a5 Rd6+ 46.Ke2 Nd5 47.Rc2** I had played basketball for quite a while beforehand, and decided just to go for a draw. **47...Nb4 48.Rd2 Nd3 49.Bxb7 Nc1+ 50.Kd1 Rxd2+ 51.Kxd2 Nxb3+ 52.Kc3 Nxa5 53.Bd5+ Kh7 54.Kb4 Kh6 55.Kxa5 g5 56.Kxa6 gxf4 57.exf4 g5 58.fgx5+ Kxg5 59.Kb5 Kh4 60.Kc4 Kxh3 61.Bxe4 ½–½**

## **Pairs Event**

The second half of the Vancouver GM Fest was held on the evening of July 7, 2004, when Grandmasters Pia Cramling (Sweden), Juan Bellon (Spain), Yasser Seirawan (United States) and Duncan Suttles (Canada) squared off in three "Pairs" games.

The Pairs rules are simple. One player makes the first move for White, then the players alternate, each making two moves in a row. Partners may not talk about the game while playing or otherwise give hints or advice to their partner. They may tell their partner to move ("It's your move.") and tell them to move quickly ("Hurry up, we have 20 seconds left!!"). Profanity and physical violence is not allowed except under extreme circumstances. If a player moves out of turn, the opposing team may either allow the move or insist that the player who ought to have moved make a different move.

In the event, the rules relating to profanity, physical violence and moving out of turn were not invoked.

The time control in each game was 20 minutes per side, with 15-second increments. Each game lasted about an hour. The event ran from 7:00 pm until past 11:00 pm, well beyond the scheduled three hours, mainly because the organizers forgot to budget time for the post-mortems of the games, which were riveting for the spectators.

The final standings were: Seirawan (2.5), Cramling, Bellon (1.5), Suttles (.5).

In the first game, Cramling and Suttles, as White, had an unhappy opening and fell behind on the board and on the clock. Their valiant defence failed and they were ruthlessly destroyed by Bellon and Seirawan in a two rook vs. rook and knight ending played at blitz speed.

In the second game, Bellon and Suttles, as White, were outplayed after a confusing opening, but Cramling and Seirawan failed to capitalize on their advantage and Bellon and Suttles fought back and were at least equal when they lost on time.

The third game was the most interesting of the three, as might have been expected. Spectators were surprised when Cramling and Bellon's 1.d4 was met with 1...Nf6, rather than 1...g6. The game took a strange turn as early as the third move (2.Nf3 b5 3.c3 a5!?) and went from there. Cramling and Bellon sacrificed a meaningless pawn, but as the game went on Seirawan and Suttles gradually obtained a seemingly iron grip on the light squares on the queenside, with the "meaningless" pawn playing an important role.

In chess it is hard to get something for nothing, however, and Cramling and Bellon developed kingside pressure and vague counterplay against Black's uncastled king. Seirawan and Suttles had to control the tactics, but as both teams became short of time, Cramling and Bellon broke open the position and chaos followed. When the dust settled, they were up an exchange for a pawn and it looked as though the ending was lost for Black. It might have been, but in the time scramble Seirawan and Suttles made the most of their chances and in the end it was White who forced the draw by sacrificing their rook to eliminate Black's last pawn.

The Pairs matches were held at St. John's school, which has quickly emerged as one of the best sites for chess events in the Vancouver area. St. John's generously donated their facilities for both this event and for the Cramling and Bellon simultaneous exhibitions held on July 4, 2004. We also thank Laura Harper for kindly allowing the Grandmasters to use her chess set.

Finally, we thank the four Grandmasters for participating in this novel event, which produced more exciting and interesting chess than many top international tournaments. Perhaps we are glimpsing the future of chess.

#### **Cramling/Suttles - Bellon/Seirawan [A34] Pairs Exhibition Vancouver (1), 07.07.2004**

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.Nc3 Nc6 4.g3 g6 5.Bg2 d5 6.cxd5 Nxd5 7.0-0 Bg7 8.Ng5 e6 9.Nge4 b6 10.d3 0-0 11.Bg5 f6 12.Bd2 f5 13.Bg5 Nxc3 14.Nxc3 Qd7 15.Qd2 Bb7 16.Bh6 Nd4 17.Bxb7 Qxb7 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Qf4 Rae8 20.Qe5+ Kg8 21.f3 Qd7 22.g4 Nc6 23.Qg3 Qd4+ 24.Kh1 Re7 25.h3 Ref7 26.Rad1 Qe3 27.Kg2 Nd4 28.f4 Qxg3+ 29.Kxg3 fxg4 30.hxg4 g5 31.e3 Nc2 32.Ne4 Rd7 33.Nxg5 Nxe3 34.Nxe6 Nxf1+ 35.Rxf1 Rxd3+ 36.Kh4 Re8 37.f5 h6 38.g5 hxg5+ 39.Kxg5 Kf7 40.Rh1 Rg8+ 41.Kf4 Rd2 42.Rh7+ Kf6 43.Rh6+ Ke7 44.Rh7+ Kd6 45.Rxa7 Rf2+ 46.Ke3 Rxf5 0-1

#### **Bellon/Suttles - Cramling/Seirawan [A34] Pairs Exhibition Vancouver (2), 07.07.2004**

1.c4 c5 2.Nc3 b6 3.a3 e6 4.Nf3 Bb7 5.d3 Nc6 6.Bd2 g6 7.Rb1 Bg7 8.b4 d6 9.Qa4 Qd7 10.e3 Nge7 11.Be2 0-0 12.0-0 Rfd8 13.Qc2 Rac8 14.b5 Ne5 15.Ne1 Qc7 16.f4 Nd7 17.e4 d5 18.Bf3 d4 19.Nd1 Re8 20.g4 f5 21.Nf2 e5 22.Ng2 Rf8 23.Qd1 Rce8 24.exf5 gxf5 25.Bxb7 Qxb7 26.gxf5 Nxf5 27.Ne4 Re6 28.Qf3 Qa8 29.Rbe1 Rg6 30.Kh1 Kh8 31.Re2 Bh6 32.Qh3 Qe8 33.Ref2 exf4 34.Bxf4 Time. 0-1

#### **Cramling/Bellon - Seirawan/Suttles [A46] Pairs Exhibition Vancouver (3), 07.07.2004**

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 b5 3.c3 a5 4.g3 d6 5.Bg2 Bb7 6.Qb3 c6 7.a4 Ba6 8.0-0 bxa4 9.Qc2 d5 10.Ne5 Nfd7 11.f4 Nxe5 12.fxe5 e6 13.Rf2 Bb5 14.e4 Nd7 15.exd5 cxd5 16.Nd2 Nb6 17.Nf3 Be7 18.h4 h6 19.Nh2 Qc7 20.Ng4 Bc4 21.Qd1 Bb3 22.Qf3 Rf8 23.Qd3 h5 24.Ne3 g6 25.Qb5+ Kd8 26.Bd2 Kc8 27.c4 Bxc4 28.Nxc4 Nxc4 29.Bh6 Qd7 30.Qxd7+ Kxd7 31.Bxf8 Rxf8 32.Rxa4 Bb4 33.Bf1 Ne3 34.Bd3 Ke7 35.Re2 Nf5 36.Bxf5 gxf5 37.Rc2 Rb8 38.Ra1 Kf8 39.Rac1 Kg7 40.Rc8 Rb5 41.Ra8 f4 42.gxf4 Bd2 43.Rc2 Be3+ 44.Kf1 Kg6 45.Ke2 Bxd4 46.Kd3 Rxb2 47.Rxb2 Bxb2 48.Rxa5 Bc1 49.Ra4 Kf5 50.Ra7 Bxf4 51.Rxf7+ Kxe5 52.Rh7 Kf5 53.Rxh5+ Kg4 54.Rxd5 ½-½

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**VANCOUVER CHESS LEAGUE NEWS** by Eduardo Azmitia

Webpage: <http://www3.telus.net/chessvancouver/>

#### **"A" Class Double Round Robin**

Valentina Goutor drew her last game against Noam Davies, which secured her first place. She clearly dominated the group; she didn't lose a game, and finished two points ahead of everyone else. There is one game pending (Chan-Davies), but this will not significantly alter the final results.

The other game of the day featured Ben Daswani, the lowest rated of the group, against James Chan, the highest rated. Ben surprised James and got a point out of him. It was a good come back for Daswani, who had a slow start in the first cycle.

Crosstable: [http://www3.telus.net/chessvancouver/round\\_robins.htm](http://www3.telus.net/chessvancouver/round_robins.htm)

## SUPER SATURDAY SWISS

Both FM Fanhao Meng and newcomer Vicente Lee jr. won their games in the last round of the Super Saturday Swiss, which resulted in their sharing the first prize of \$400.00. FM Meng defeated Michael Yip in a game that was reminiscent of their last game; Michael had the better position out of the opening, but Fanhao fought hard and gradually started to reverse the tide with his superb calculating abilities. Vicente Lee, the winner of the Keres U2000 Section who is currently rated about 2300, defeated Lucas Davies in a slow game in which Vicente seemed to have the initiative most of the time. Vicente is a newcomer to the BC chess scene and has won all his games with an exception of a draw with Michael Yip.

Noam Davies took the tournament second prize, half a point behind Meng and Lee; he won all his games with the exception of a loss in the second round to Meng. He was given an entry to the Western Canadian Open. Michael Yip and Lucas Davies tied for the third prize with 3.5 points, and received CD gifts courtesy of Chess First Enterprises.

Watch for details of another Super Saturday Swiss beginning July 24th!

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### **Davies,L - Lee,V [B06] Super Saturday Vancouver (5.1), 03.07.2004**

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 c6 4.g3 d5 5.Be3 h5 6.h3 Nh6 7.Bg2 dxe4 8.Nxe4 Nf5 9.Ne2 0-0 10.c3 Nxe3 11.fxe3 e5 12.Qd3 Na6 13.0-0-0 Be6 14.Kb1 Qa5 15.b3 Rad8 16.Rdf1 exd4 17.exd4 Bf5 18.b4 Qa3 19.g4 Be6 20.Nc1 Nxb4 21.Qd2 Nd5 22.Ne2 Nb6 23.Nf4 Bc4 24.gxh5 f5 25.Ng5 Na4 26.Rc1 Bxd4 27.cxd4 Rxd4 28.Qc2 Rxf4 0-1

### **Yip,M - Meng,F [E68] Super Saturday Vancouver (5.2), 03.07.2004**

1.d4 g6 2.g3 Bg7 3.Bg2 d6 4.Nf3 Nd7 5.c4 e5 6.Nc3 Ngf6 7.e4 0-0 8.0-0 c6 9.Re1 Qc7 10.h3 Nb6 11.b3 Be6 12.Be3 Rad8 13.d5 Bc8 14.Qd2 c5 15.Qc2 a6 16.a4 Nh5 17.a5 Nd7 18.Nd2 f5 19.exf5 gxf5 20.Bg5 Rde8 21.Ra3 Ndf6 22.Ne2 Qf7 23.Raa1 Qg6 24.Bh4 Kh8 25.Rab1 e4 26.b4 cxb4 27.Rxb4 Nd7 28.Rb3 Nc5 29.Ra3 f4 30.Nxf4 Nxf4 31.gxf4 Nd3 32.Rxe4 Rxe4 33.Qxd3 Re1+ 34.Kh2 Bh6 35.Bg3 Qxd3 36.Rxd3 Bxf4 37.Rd4 Bxg3+ 38.Kxg3 Rg1 39.Kh2 Rd1 40.Kg3 Bf5 41.Bf3 Rg1+ 42.Kh2 Ra1 43.Rf4 Kg7 44.Nb3 Ra3 45.Nd4 Bd7 46.Re4 Raxf3 0-1

### **Tahouri,D - Milicevic,D [B01] Super Saturday Vancouver (5.4), 03.07.2004**

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.c4 c6 4.dxc6 Nxc6 5.Nf3 e5 6.Nc3 Bf5 7.a3 e4 8.Nh4 Bg4 9.Be2 Bxe2 10.Nxe2 Ng4 11.g3 g5 12.Ng2 Qf6 13.0-0 Nge5 14.Ne1 0-0-0 15.Nc3 Qg6 16.f3 Bc5+ 17.Kg2 e3 18.Ne4 Be7 19.d3 f5 20.Nc3 f4 21.Nd5 Rxd5 22.cxd5 Nd4 23.Qa4 Bc5 24.b4 Bb6 25.Bb2 e2 26.Rf2 Nxd3 27.Rxe2 Nxb2 28.Rxb2 g4 29.Rc1+ Kd8 30.fxg4 fxg3 31.h3 Qe4+ 32.Kxg3 Qe3+ 33.Kh4 Qxc1 0-1

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## CHESS IN BRAZIL

From Eduardo Moura: "Mr. Mauro Amaral - an acquaintance of mine - chess arbiter and organizer from Sao Paulo, Brazil, has asked me if I could help him publicize his chess tournaments and web page among the Canadian chess public. Mr. Amaral regularly organizes IM and GM tournaments in Sao Paulo. In June he is running two closed tournaments with IM norms and in July one tournament

with GM norms! His web address is: [www.comunic.com.br/xadrez/](http://www.comunic.com.br/xadrez/) Perhaps in the future we could have Canadians playing in his tournaments. I see at Mr Amaral's web page that he already has some US players playing this year, so why not Canadians?! Anyway this may be a good opportunity to strengthen the ties between Canadian and Brazilian chess players."

[Unless I am missing something the website is only in Portuguese (I think!), so any interested parties might want to contact Eduardo first - let me know if you wish to do this - ed.]

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## ALCAN ANNIVERSARY TOURNAMENT by Mike Bateman

Alcan has asked me to organize a chess tournament for their 50th anniversary celebration here in Kitimat, on the 31st of July. It will be a 15 minutes per game per side, clocked event with 5 rounds. It will start at 13:00 hours, (1 in the afternoon) and go till 17:00 hours (or 5 in the afternoon). It will be held in the main ceremonies tent at the Riverlodge Rec Center. This is not a rated event because it is open to all persons partaking in the Alcan celebrations. I will be purchasing 10 new sets and 10 new clocks which I hope to be using as prizes. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. This is a free event.

[The person who is now looking after the Alcan tournament is Al Annett, [aannett@telus.net](mailto:aannett@telus.net) ]

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## FIFTY YEARS AGO

In recognition of this week's simultaneous exhibitions by GMs Cramling and Bellon, we here recall another exhibition from B.C.'s chess past. Apart from Frank Marshall in 1913 and Sir George Thomas in 1926, the province did not receive many strong chess visitors until global transportation improved after the Second World War. Since then we have had a steady stream, including Max Euwe, I.A. Horowitz, Abe Yanofsky, Bob Wade, Herman Steiner, George Koltanowski (several times), Arthur Bisguier, Boris Spassky and Paul Keres, Tony Miles, and Larry Chistiansen.

In 1954 it was the turn of child prodigy turned grandmaster, Samuel Reshevsky. At the time Reshevsky was the strongest player in the West, having tied for second in the 1953 Zurich candidates' tournament with Paul Keres and David Bronstein, behind winner Vassily Smyslov. Reshevsky visited Vancouver on February 8th:

"At the simultaneous exhibition given by Samuel Reshevsky in Alma Hall, 3679 West Broadway, Monday evening, approximately 75 spectators witnessed the grandmaster's excellent performance. Humming snatches of operatic arias, exchanging pleasantries with his 37 opponents and looking as cool as a cucumber, Reshevsky zipped from board to board - seldom pausing for more than a moment at any. He won 34 games, and drew with Frank May, R.A. Pilkington and O. Sarakannas. The latter are to be congratulated upon their fine achievements against such a redoubtable player, who, despite strong opposition, emerged without a single loss." [*Vancouver Province*, 13 February 1954]

## Reshevsky,S - Pilkington,R [B74] Simul Vancouver, 08.02.1954

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Nb3 g6 7.Be2 Bg7 8.0-0 0-0 9.Be3 Be6 10.f4 Qc8 11.h3 Rd8 12.Bf3 Nd7 13.Rb1 a6 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.exd5 Na7 16.Qe2 Re8 17.c4 Nc5 18.Nxc5 dxc5 19.Bg4 Qc7 20.f5 Nc8 21.fxg6 fxg6 22.Be6+ Kh8 23.Rf7 Nd6 24.Rxg7 Kxg7 25.Bf4 Rf8 26.Be5+ Rf6 27.Rf1 Raf8 28.Qg4 Qd8 29.h4 h5 30.Qg3 Kh7 31.Rxf6 Rxf6 32.Bxf6 exf6 33.Qf4 f5 34.Kh2 Qf6 35.Kh3 Qd4 36.Qxd4 cxd4 37.c5 d3 38.cxd6 d2 39.d7 d1Q 40.d8Q Qg4+ 41.Kh2 Qf4+ 42.Kg1 Qc1+ ½-½



## Reshevsky,S - Sarakannas,O [B70] Simul Vancouver, 08.02.1954

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Be2 g6 7.Nb3 Bg7 8.0-0 0-0 9.f4 Na5 10.Be3  
Be6 11.f5 Bc4 12.g4 a6 13.Bd4 Bxe2 14.Qxe2 Nc6 15.Bf2 Ne5 16.g5 Nfd7 17.h4 Rc8 18.Nd5 e6 19.f6  
exd5 20.fxg7 Kxg7 21.exd5 Qc7 22.Nd4 Qc4 23.Qxc4 Nxc4 24.b3 Nd2 25.Rfe1 Rfe8 26.Rxe8 Rxe8  
27.Re1 Re5 28.c4 Re4 29.Kg2 Rxe1 30.Bxe1 Ne4 31.Kf3 Nec5 32.Ke3 h5 33.Bg3 Ne5 34.Bxe5+  
dxe5 35.Nf3 Nd7 36.b4 b6 37.Kd3 f5 38.gxf6+ Kxf6 39.Ke4 a5 40.a3 a4 41.Ne1 g5 42.hxg5+ Kxg5  
43.Nd3 Kf6 44.c5 bxc5 45.bxc5 h4 46.c6 Nb6 47.Nxe5 h3 48.Kd4 Ke7 49.Nf3 Kd6 50.Ng5 h2 51.Ne4+  
Kc7 52.Ng3 Kd6 ½-½

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

To save space, from now on I will only give basic information for events - date, place, and type. Full details for all the events listed here may be found on the BCCF site, [www.chess.bc.ca](http://www.chess.bc.ca).

### Vancouver League: Class Round Robins

In these Round Robins players will be grouped according to their class or within a rating spread of no more than 200 or 300 points. The games will take place at the Vancouver Bridge Centre (2776 East Broadway) during the evening on Saturdays and/or Wednesdays. If you are interested in participating on these events please send an e-mail to the following address: [azmitia@interchange.ubc.ca](mailto:azmitia@interchange.ubc.ca)  
For more information visit: <http://www3.telus.net/chessvancouver/>

### UBC Tuesday Night Swiss June/July

Dates: June 29, July 6, 20, 27, August 3  
Place: UBC Henry Angus Building, room 309  
Type: 5-round Swiss

### [Western Canadian Open](#)

Date: July 9-18  
Place: Vancouver Airport Conference Resort  
Type: 10 round single-section Swiss

### Super Saturday Swiss (ii)

Dates: Saturdays July 24, 31, and August 7, 14, 21  
Place: Vancouver Bridge Centre, 2776 East Broadway (at Kaslo), Vancouver  
Type: 5-round Swiss

### Summer Pre-Master

Dates: July 31, August 1  
Place: Room 421, Henry Angus Building, UBC  
Type: 4-round Swiss

### Rod Planas Memorial Chess Tournament

Dates: August 7-8, 2004  
Place: Sandman Inn, 2130 Harvey Avenue, Kelowna  
Type: 5-round Swiss



## **UBC Tuesday Night Swiss August**

Dates: August 10, 17, 24, 31

Place: UBC Henry Angus Building, room 309

Type: 5-round Swiss

## **Marathon Chess Madness**

Dates: August 28-29

Place: Vancouver Bridge Centre

Type: various

## **Vancouver League Qualifier #1**

Dates: September 18, 25 & October 2, 9, 16

Place: Vancouver Bridge Centre

Type: 5-round Swiss

## **Silver Star Challenge (Interior Qualifier)**

Date: Nov. 13 & 14

Place: Holiday Inn Express, 4716 34th St., Vernon

Type: 5-round Swiss

## **Vancouver League Qualifier #2**

Dates: November 20, 27 & December 4, 11, 18

Place: Vancouver Bridge Centre

Type: 5-round Swiss

## **Vancouver League Qualifier #3**

Dates: January 8, 15, 22, 28 & February 5, 2005

Place: Vancouver Bridge Centre

Type: 5-round Swiss

## **Vancouver League Qualifier #4**

Dates: March 19, 26 & April 2, 9, 16, 2005

Place: Vancouver Bridge Centre

Type: 5-round Swiss