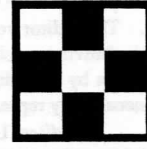


# ALBERTA CHESS REPORT



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## ACA Winter Open by Ford Wong

Twas the weekend before Christmas when all through the... oops, to make a long story short, **Greg Huber** was an extra good boy with a perfect 5-0 score and Santa let him take the biggest present from the Winter Open. Greg beat out fellow masters Arniel Frialde (a game which featured two minors for rook and two pawns, and an exciting time scramble conclusion) and Rob Gardner along the way to take home first prize. Shay Randall, after an almost eight year absence from the Alberta chess scene, finished second to get under the Christmas tree with a 4-1 score losing only to Huber. ...not a creature was stirring (other than the noises from the video arcade next door and some heavy feet).

Others getting presents in time for Christmas were: Rob Gardner and Arniel Frialde, tied for third overall. Top 1700-2000 went to Art Milne, followed by Ahmet Yamach. David Otosen was Top 1600-1700, and Branko Palcic and Cor Dewindt split second. Under 1600 was split between Cynthia Wu, Douglas Wu and Aaron Lovi.

Thanks to the 25 entrants, with a special thanks to those from out of town (including one spectator), and Wayne, the TD's helper. See ya all next year!

### D. Otosen—S. Randall (rd 1)

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.c4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e6 6.Nf3 Be7 7.c5 0-0 8.Bd3 b6 9.b4 a5 10.Ba3 axb4 11.Bxb4 Na6 12.Bxa6 Bxa6 13.Na4 Ne4 14.Nxb6 Qxb6 15.cxb6 Bxb4+ 16.Nd2 Bxd2+ 17.Qxd2 Nxd2 18.Kxd2 Rfc8 19.Rhc1 Rc4 20.Rxc4 dxc4 21.a4 Kf8 22.Kc3 Ke7 23.Rd1 Kd6 24.f3 Kc6 25.Rb1 Bb7 26.Kxc4 Rxa4+ 27.Kd3 Ra6 (0-1)

### G. Huber—S. Randall (rd 2)

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.g4 Bg6 5.Nh3 e6 6.Nf4 c5 7.h4 h5 8.Nxg6 fxc6 9.Bd3 Ne7 10.dxc5 Nbc6 11.f4 Qa5+ 12.c3 Qxc5 13.Qe2 0-0-0 14.Nd2 Qb6 15.Nb3 d4 16.Bd2 dxc3 17.bxc3 hxg4 18.Be3 Qc7 19.Nc5 Qa5 20.Kf2 g3+ 21.Kxg3 Nf5+ 22.Bxf5 exf5 23.Qc4 Bxc5 24.Bxc5 Qc7 25.Bd6 Qd7 26.Rab1 b6 27.a4 Kb7 28.Qd5 Rhe8 29.a5 Ra8 30.Rb2 g5 31.hxg5 Rh8 32.Rhb1 Qe8 33.Rxb6+ axb6 34.Rxb6+ Ka7 35.Rxc6 (1-0)

### J. Rouse—A. Milne [annotator] (rd 2)

1.d4 d6 *Inviting an English with 2.c4 e5, or 'risking' a Pirc with 2.e4.* 2.e4 Nf6 3.Nc3 3.f3 e5!? 3...c6 4.Be2!? 4.f4; 4.Nf3 4...Qa5!? 5.Bd2 Qc7 5...Qb6?! 6.Nf3!± Qb2 7.Rb1 *with attack* 6.f4 e5 (*only move*) 7.fxe5 dxe5 8.dxe5 Nfd7+!± 8...Qxe5 9.Nf3 *planning O-O±* 9.e6!? fxe6 10.Nh3!? *h5-e8 diagonal; planning O-O±* 10...Bc5 *planning O-O* 11.Bh5+ g6 12.Bh6! Nf6! +!± 12...gxh6? 13.Qxh5+ Kd8 14.Ng5 Ne5 15.O-O-O+ Bd6 16.Rxd6+ Qxd6 17.Rd1 Qxd1+ 18.Kxd1 Ng6 19.Nxh7+ gxh7. 13.Bf3 13.Bg4!? (*weak point e6*). 13...Nbd7 14.Qe2 e5!? *Planning Nf8-e6-d4.* 15.O-O-O Nf8 16.Qc4 Qe7± 17.Bg7?? 17.Ng5 Ne6 +!±. 17...Be3+ -+ 18.Kb1 Qxg7 19.Nb5?! cxb5 20.Qxb5 N8d7 21.Rd3 Bb6 22.Rhd1 O-O 23.Ng5 Nc5 24.Qc4+ Kh8 25.Rd8 Bxd8 26.Rxd8 Qe7 27.Rf8 Qxf8 28.Nf7+ Kg7 (0-1)

### S. Randall—C. Dartana (rd 4)

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 d6 4.Be2 Nf6 5.Nf3 0-0 6.Bf4 c6 7.Qd2 b5 8.a3 Nbd7 9.Bh6 Qa5 10.Bxg7 Kxg7 11.e5 dxe5 12.dxe5 Ng4 13.Qd4 Nh6 14.0-0 Qb6 15.Qb4?! Nc5 16.Rad1 Bf5?! 17.Rd2 a5 18.Qh4 Rfe8 19.Nd4 b4 20.Nd1 Rad8 21.Ne3 Be6 22.axb4 axb4 23.Rfd1 Qc7 24.f4 Rxd4? 25.Rxd4 Nf5 26.Nxf5+ Bxf5 27.Bd3 Bxd3 28.cxd3 Qb6 29.Qf2 Qb5 30.f5 Kg8 31.Qf4 gxf5 32.Qxf5 Ne6 33.Rg4+ Kf8 34.Qxh7 (1-0)

### A. Milne—R. Gardner (rd 4)

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.Bb5+ Bd7 4.Bxd7+ Qxd7 5.c4 g6 6.d4 Nf6 7.Nc3 Na6 8.0-0 Bg7 9.d5 0-0 10.Bf4 b5 11.cxb5 Nc7 12.a4 Rfb8 13.Nd2 a6 14.b6 Rxb6 15.Nc4 Rb4 16.Qe2 Qg4 *After 17.Qxg4 Nxg4 White loses the important b2 pawn [Gardner]* (0-1)

### G. Huber—A. Frialde (rd 4)

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Be3 a6 7.f3 b5 8.Qd2 Bb7 9.0-0 0 Be7 10.g4 Qc7 11.h4 Nc6 12.Bd3 Ne5 13.Kb1 b4 14.Nce2 d5 15.g5 Nfd7 16.exd5 Bxd5 17.Nf4 Nb6 18.Be4 Bxe4 19.fxe4 Nec4 20.Qf2 Nxe3 21.Qxe3 0-0 22.Nfxe6 fxe6 23.Nxe6 Qc6 24.Nxf8 Bxf8 25.h5 Re8 26.g6 Nc4 27.Qf4 Qxe4 28.Qxe4 Rxe4 29.Rd8 Rf4 30.c3 bxc3 31.bxc3 hxg6 32.hxg6 Rf6 33.Rc8 Ne5 34.c4 Nxg6 35.c5 Ne5 36.Re1 Nd3 37.Ree8 g5 38.c6 g4 39.Rxf8+ Rxf8 40.Rxf8+ Kxf8 41.c7 g3 (1-0)

### A. Wu—S. Randall (rd 5)

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.c4 Nf6 5.Bg5 Ne4 6.Be3 e6 7.c5 Qa5+ 8.Bd2 Nxd2 9.Qxd2 Qxd2+ 10.Nxd2 b6 11.b4 a5 12.Bb5+ Bd7 13.Bxd7+ Kxd7 14.Ng3 f6 15.cxb6 Bxb4 16.a3 Bxd2+ 17.Kxd2 Nc6 18.Rhc1 Rhb8 19.Rab1 Ra6 20.b7 Ra7 21.Rb6 Nd8 22.Ne1 Rbxb7 23.Rxb7+ Nxb7 24.Nd3 Nd6 25.Nc5+ Ke7 26.Re1 e5 27.dxe5 Nc4+ 28.Kc3 fxe5 29.f4 Kd6 30.Ne4+ dxe4 31.Kxc4 Rc7+ 32.Kb3 Kd5 33.f5 Kd4 34.g4 e3 35.g5 Kd3 36.Rd1+ Ke2 37.Rd6 Kf1 38.f6 e2 39.fxg7 Rxg7 40.Rf6+ Kg2 (0-1)

### R. Gardner—G. Huber (rd 5)

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bc4 e6 7.Bb3 b5 8.0-0 Be7 9.f4 0-0 10.e5 dxe5 11.fxe5 Nfd7 12.Be3 Nxe5 13.Qh5 Nc4 14.Bxc4 bxc4 15.Rf3 g6 16.Qh6 f5 17.Rd1 Qe8 18.Rh3 Qf7 19.Nf3 Nc6 20.Ng5 Bxg5 21.Bxg5 Ne5 22.Qh4 Ng4 23.Be7 Re8 24.Bc5 Bb7 25.Rd6 Rac8 26.Na4 Nf6 27.Qxc4 Ne4 28.Rb6 Bc6 29.Nc3 Bd5 30.Qd4 Nxc5 31.Nxd5 exd5 32.Rf6 Qxf6 33.Qxf6 Re1+ 34.Kf2 Ne4+ 35.Kxe1 Nxf6 36.Kd1 Ne4 37.Rb3 Rc6 38.Rb7 Rd6 39.a4 Nc5 40.Rb8+ Kf7 41.a5 Ke6 42.b4 (0-1)

## '93 Calgary Chess Club Championship by Tim McMurphy

The usual withdrawals, late entries and other problems were overcome in the single-section Swiss to yield the results below.

In the Over 1900 category the game between Warrick Walker and Nandor Tot didn't happen because Tot had moved to another city but had not told the TD! I was looking forward to the game—it would've been excellent seeing as both were undefeated at that point. Oh well, enough crying over spilled pairings. **Wilf Lahrkamp** (6-1) captured first on tiebreak over Warrick Walker (6-1), and Barney Fegyverneki (4.5) was third.

The 1900-1500 group was won by **Arthur Milne** (4.5), while Chuck Mousseau got the tiebreak nod over Jeff Rouse for second. The Under 1500 section was won by **Reinder Sloot**; Jack King took second.

A good Christmas was had by all, and then we inaugurated the new year by moving into the posh surroundings of the Sandman Inn for Tuesday night tournaments.

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**ACR Deadline**

Material for inclusion in the next *ACR* should be received by: **March 31**. Items received after that date may be delayed to a later *ACR*.

**Reminder to Tournament Directors**

The CFC requires a report to be submitted within 7 days after an event—you owe it to your participants to send in rating and membership reports ASAP. Also send a written report to the *ACR* (please support your Alberta newsletter!)—prize list, crosstable, and/or game(s) an asset.

**Clubs**

Please ensure that your listing is *correct*. Also, your members likely appreciate reports in the *ACR* on your activities.

**Organizers of Events**

Please send *ACR* details well in advance.

**Always Get a Receipt**

When you pay for a CFC/ACA membership, be sure to get a dated receipt signed by the person who collected your money. Retain the receipt until your new CFC card arrives.

**ALBERTA CHESS CLUBS**

- not including junior and school clubs
- this is the latest info provided to the *ACR*
- you may wish to call before attending

**CALGARY CC**

**Meets:** Sandman Inn (Blackgold Room), corner of 7th Ave & 8th St SW, Tues. 7:00-11:00. *Note change of site!*  
**Info:** Barney Fegyvermeki (243-6351; mail: c/o 1724-49 Ave SW, Calgary T2T 2T9).

**EDMONTON CC**

**Meets:** Oliver Community Hall, 10326-118 St, Thurs., 7:00-11:00.  
**Info:** Kurt Lauterwald (434-7536).

**GRANDE PRAIRIE CC**

**Meets:** Royal Canadian Legion, 9912-101 Ave, Tues., 7:00 p.m. (Sept. 1 - Apr. 30).  
**Info:** Phil Lefkowitz (538-1903; mail: c/o 9305-74 Ave, Grande Prairie T8V 6G2).

**HINTON CC**

**Info:** Peter Bundscherer (c/o Queen's Bakery & Cafe, PO Box 3217, Hinton T0E 1C0).

**NORTHERN COMMUNITIES CC**

**Info:** Bernie Tynan (771-3757; Box 90, Wandering River T0A 3M0).

**RIMBEY CC**

**Info:** Cameron McLean (843-3736; mail: c/o Box 733, Rimbey T0C 2J0).

**RED DEER CC**

**Meets:** Red Deer College, room 907, Thurs., 7:00-11:00 (to May long weekend).  
*Note change to Thursday (was Tuesday)!*  
**Info:** Henry Vandervaart (341-3415, c/o #307, 40 Cardinal Ave, Red Deer T4P 2T1).

**UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA CC**

**Meets:** SUB (basement), approx. 11:00-4:00 weekdays, September-April.  
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(as of 20 Jan 94 CFC membership list)

Greg Huber .....	2314
Arniel Frialde .....	2301
Dale Haessel .....	2294
Arthur Odachowski .....	2270
Rob Gardner .....	2243
Andrew Paduch .....	2180
Chris Demers .....	2168
Sardul Purewal .....	2165
Neil Sharp .....	2140
Ted Wilson .....	2129
Warrick Walker .....	2099
Sé (Shay) Randall .....	2095
John Parrott .....	2091
Farzan Nazarian .....	2079
Hafiz Karmali .....	2070
Adam Wu .....	2061
Paul Usselman .....	2051
Jim Daniluk .....	2029
Barney Fegyvermeki .....	2026
Lev Becker .....	2020
Christiaan Dartana .....	2011
Wilf Lahrkamp .....	2010
Lev Gorelik .....	2341/(5)*
Nandor Tot .....	2059/(5)*

\* = provisional rating (/games played).

Only current or 'recent' (expired in about the past year) Alberta ACA members are included. Members not known (by the *ACR* editor) to have played in a regular-rated Alberta tournament in about the past year are: R. Hawkes 2353; G. Campbell 2160; M. Rabljenovic 2145; Z. Baunok 2131; B. Willis 2111; O. Farid 2058; D. Billings 2027; K. Salmon 2013; G. Aspler 2012.

**About the ACR...**

• The *ACR* is a newsletter, not a magazine. It is the source for news on Alberta events (e.g. announcements, reports, games, junior chess, club info), reports by Alberta players (perhaps even about trips outside Alberta), and ACA information. The *ACR* is seldom able to include problems, teaching articles, fiction, or national or international news (players interested in such can get the national magazine, *En Passant*).

• Why 4-5 issues a year and at most 10 pages (i.e. 5 double-sided sheets)? Answer: to reduce printing and mailing costs (5 sheets is the maximum for a 43¢ stamp).

• Why 'small' (9 point) type? Sometimes TDs, organizers, and clubs still neglect to send reports, but lately we've been receiving enough info to fill 10 pages in 9 pt.

• A 10-page *ACR*, if converted to the same type (10 pt) as recent *En Passants* (64 pages, plus cover), would equal almost 23 *EP* pages (up to June/93 *EP* also used 9 pt type). The *ACR* allows hyphenation at the end of lines (for more compact text), *EP* doesn't. Also, *EP* text seems to have a 'loose track', while we keep words tighter together, thereby averaging more text per line.

**Qualifying for the 1994 Alberta Closed**  
—full rules available from the ACA—

Participants must have at least 2 participation points since the previous Alta Closed. Qualifying events (except the previous Alta Closed) are worth 1 pt; all other rated Alberta events 1/2 pt. (TD's get up to 1 participation point through directing.)

**ALL** wishing to participate (qualifiers or by rating) must register in writing.

\* The ACA must receive the written registration by **March 10**. It is the potential entrant's responsibility to register—the ACA need **not** issue invitations.

Eight player RR April 1-3 in Calgary. EF \$20—all to prize fund; *qualifying tour-*

*naments contribute \$1 per entry toward prizes; minimum of \$250: 1st-50%, 2nd-30%, 3rd-20%.*

Each candidate must have been an Alberta resident at least 6 months in the year before the Closed. Candidates qualify by earliest eligible qualification chance. Check rules for tiebreaking. If player(s) still needed (no automatic entrants by rating!), the registrant(s) highest rated in the latest CFC rating list before March 10, will be accepted (entrants by rating must also have completed at least 1 qualifier—the Northern Alberta Open, Feb 26-27, is your last chance).

Organizers must apply to hold Rural Qualifiers. If there is no bona fide rural

qualifier, the ACA may, at its discretion, sponsor a Rural Open Qualifier (open to all but those already otherwise qualified).

**Qualifying events for the '94 Alta Closed**: '93: Alta Closed; Alta Open; Alta Jr Closed; S. Alta Open; '94: Edmonton Closed; Calgary Closed; N. Alta Open; "Rural Candidate".

For all qualifying tournaments (except Edmonton Closed and Calgary Closed), should the winner be unable or unwilling to attend the Alberta Closed, or should such winner not otherwise qualify, that position will be filled from the rating list. (Note: for the Edmonton Closed and Calgary Closed, the possible attendance of the 2nd place finisher is covered by 'Rule 18'.)

**Etiquette, Rights, and Duties of a Chess Participant...continued**

*A personal view by Ford Wong*

After reading over my previous article in the August 1993 ACR (Vol. 18, No. 3, p. 6-7), I felt I'd missed several important points and so add the following to my original list:

During a game, it's okay to walk around. I find it's sometimes good to get up and walk around to take your mind off the game.

Take it easy on chess clocks (outside of a time scramble there is no need to hammer on a clock during a game).

When setting a chess clock, you should set the time by moving the hands clockwise even if it means winding the clock ahead almost 12 hours. (Winding older clocks backwards is not good for the mechanism.)

ACA tournament clocks are not to be used for speed chess unless specifically authorized. Speed chess will shorten the life of a clock.

Following the completion of the game, players should reset the board to the start position (which helps ensure that all the pieces are there and prepares the board for the next game). In addition to picking up their scoresheets (including ruined scoresheets), players should clean up by picking up their garbage (e.g. coffee cups, pop cans, wrappers, bread crumbs, etc.).

As a spectator, do not interfere with a game in progress in any manner (such as to point out time, illegal moves, etc.). This is for the players or the TD and his appointed assistants. In addition, please give the players some breathing room and try not to crowd the players or distract them in any manner, such as being noisy.

Keep your analysis to yourself and do not mention your ideas to anyone while standing near a game in progress. It's possible one of the players might hear you! Do not offer to help any of the players (e.g. offering to get an extra queen, etc.). I once had a player offer to keep score for another!

A thing which you should do while at the board is keep your scoresheet off the chess board. Players sometimes forget and start writing their moves with the scoresheet on an unoccupied part of the board.

Wearing a walkman while playing is also considered rude (if not disrespectful).

Sometimes it is customary (although rarely done in Alberta) to have your opponent sign your score sheet once the game is over.

If you and your opponent decide to go over a completed game, try not to be too overbearing in the post-game analysis by forcing your opinions or evaluation. Post-game analysis is a good way to improve one's game by sharing ideas.

Unless solicited, it is rude to jump in on someone else's post-game analysis and literally take over their analysis. (Highlighting a few points is okay, but that's all). However, I feel that it is usually okay for a spectator to ask a few questions about a completed game (such as "Why didn't you do this...?"), but never overdo it.

**Outreach Chess Challenge**  
(Grande Prairie)  
*by Phil Lefkowitz*

January 8th, 1994 saw scores of Grande Prairians gathering around a dozen chess boards while amateur combatants contested their chess skills over the board.

Thanks to an effective advertising campaign funded by the ACA and Alberta Parks & Recreation RPW Foundation, and additional support by the local communications businesses, there was an excellent turnout.

A simultaneous exhibition was given by Grande Prairie Chess Club President Phil Lefkowitz as additional entertainment.

Phil also appeared on CFGP's Radio Talk Show 'Town Hall'.

Thanks to the Grande Prairie Mall for donating the site, and the Daily Herald Tribune for doing a feature article.

**Outreach Chess Challenge**  
(Lethbridge)  
*by Ford Wong*

Given the amount of hard work and advertising done in preparation for the event, a disappointing zero players came to play in the Outreach Chess Challenge chess tournament held in Lethbridge on September 11, 1993. Perhaps there aren't any chess players in Lethbridge? It is hoped that the advertising was not in vain as certainly someone out there should be aware of the existence of organized chess in Alberta. In any case, thanks go to the Alberta Parks & Recreation RPW Foundation, which helped fund this part of the project.

(Another Outreach Chess Challenge Tournament was planned for Northeast Alberta, but other commitments prevented the organizer from setting up the event.)

**Edmonton Winter Open**  
*by Cor Dewindt*

Held at the Edmonton Chess Club Nov 18 to Dec 16, the Edmonton Winter Open, a 5-round Swiss, attracted 24 entrants. **Hafiz Karmali, Christiaan Dartana, and Alex Kuti** tied for first at 4-1. Peter Beresinski (3.5) led the Under 1850 section. Jerry Stefanyshyn (3.0) was top Under 1650.

*I do appreciate receiving game scores* for consideration for the ACR. If you type or print, or submit games on disk, please very carefully check the game moves and annotations to eliminate errors, and please use an 'x' for all captures. It can be hard or even impossible to figure out moves (as with 3 articles for this issue, one of which had to be postponed until the writer clears up some errors in the game moves and variations).

A game from the ACR 'archives' played in round 2 of the '93 July Open in Calgary:

G. Huber - N. Tot

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.Nge2 Nf6 4.g3 e6 5.Bg2 Be7 6.O-O O-O 7.d4 cxd4 8.Nxd4 d6 9.Nxc6 bxc6 10.e5 Nd5 11.exd6 Bxd6 12.Ne4 Be5 13.Re1 Qb6 14.Qh5 Bd4 15.c3 Nf6 16.Qf3 Nxe4 17.Rxe4 Bc5 18.b4 Be7 19.Be3 Qc7 20.Rc4 Bd7 21.Bc5 Bxc5 22.Rxc5 Rab8 23.a4 Rfd8 24.Re1 Be8 25.Qg4 Qd6 26.Qc4 Rb6 27.Bf3 Qc7 28.a5 Rbb8 29.Bxc6 Bxc6 30.Rxc6 Qd7 31.Rc7 Qd2 32.Qe2 Qd5 33.Rxa7 Rbc8 34.Qb2 Qd3 35.b5 Rxc3 36.b6 Qd4 37.Rc7 Rxc3+ 38.hxg3 Qxb2 39.b7 Rf8 40.a6 Qb6 41.Rc8 h5 42.R1c1 h4 43.Rxf8+ (1-0)

As an addendum to his 1992-93 Canadian Junior report in this issue, Andrew Paduch included a game which he saw in Poland:

M. Kosiorek-K. Kielczewski

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Bd7 5.Nf3 Bc6 6.Bd3 Bxe4 7.Bxe4 c6 8.O-ONf6 9.Bd3 Be7 10.Qe2 Nbd7 11.c4 O-O 12.b3 c5 13.Bb2 Qc7 14.Rad1 cxd4 15.Nxd4 a6 16.Nxe6 fxe6 17.Qxe6+ Rf7 18.Bxh7+Nxh7 19.Rxd7 Qc5 20.Bd4 Qb4 21.Qd5 Kf8 22.Rxe7 Rxe7 23.Bc5 Nf6 24.Qe5 Qd2 25.Bxe7+ Kf7 26.Bxf6 gxf6 27.Qc7+ Kg6 28.Qxb7 Re8 29.Qxa6 Qc2 30.Qb5 Re5 31.Qb4 Qxa2 32.Qc3 Re2 33.b4 Rc2 34.Qd3+ f5 35.g4 Rxc4 36.Qxf5+ (1-0)

### Trumpeter Classic '94

by Phil Lefkowitz

Phil Lefkowitz and Tim Pradzinski of Grande Prairie took first and second, respectively, in the Eleventh Annual Trumpeter Classic, finally destroying Jim Kanester and Company (who, for the past couple of years, had taken to calling the Grande Prairians "chicken for not coming out to play them" in the Grand Prix tournaments).

Elroy Deimert and Paul McGinnis of Grande Prairie took 1st and 2nd, respectively, in the Under 1700 section to round out a perfect tournament for Grande Prairie.

Ford Wong adds that things probably would have been rather different if the road crew from Edmonton would have made it. However, a major snow storm made it impractical to drive up. This was probably disappointing to David O, who was looking forward to taking the Trumpeter Unofficial Speed Chess title from last year's reigning champ (John "it just takes a few beers" Q).

Phil Lefkowitz—Jim Kanester (round 3)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.f3 0-0 6.Bd3 Nc6 7.Nge2 e5 8.d5 Nd4 9.Be3 c5 10.dxc6 Nxc6 11.0-0 Ne8 12.a3 f5 13.Qd2 f4 14.Bf2 h5 15.Rad1 g5 16.Kh1 g4 17.Ng1 Rf7 18.Be2 Bf8 19.b4 Rg7 20.b5 g3 21.Qd5+ Kh8 22.bxc6 gxh2 23.cxb7 Qg5 24.g4 fxg3 25.bxc8=Q gxf2 26.Qg4 hxg4 27.Rxf2 hxg1=Q+ 28.Rxg1 Rh7+ 29.Rh2 Rxh2+ 30.Kxh2 g3+ 31.Rxg3 Qf4 and Black resigned because of 32.Qg8# (1-0)

Phil Lefkowitz—Tim Pradzinski (round 4)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.f3 0-0 6.Bd3 Nbd7 7.Be3 e5 8.d5 a6 9.b4 b6 10.Nge2 Bb7 11.0-0 c5 12.dxc6 Bxc6 13.b5 axb5 14.cxb5 Bb7 15.Bc4 Qc7 16.Bd5 Bxd5 17.Nxd5 Nxd5 18.Qxd5 Nc5 19.Nc3 Rfd8 20.Qc4 Rac8 21.Nd5 Qa7 22.Qe2 Rb8 23.Bxc5 dxc5 24.Rfd1 Rd6 25.Qc4 Qd7 26.Rd3 h5 Draw offer? 27.Rad1 Rd8 28.a4 Qa7 29.Nf6+ Bxf6 30.Rxd6 Rxd6 31.Rxd6 Be7 32.Rxg6+ Kf8 33.Rc6 Qa5 34.Qc1 Bg5 35.Rc8+ (1-0)

### Red Deer Chess Club Report

by David Ottosen

The Red Deer Chess Club started the new season with a three section tournament, highlighted by several new faces who found their way to the top of the crosstable.

In the upper section, Neil Sharp (who was also the Tournament Director) cruised to a simple 5/5. Most of his games were decided before move 25.

Neil's most difficult game was probably with the lowest-rated player, Nathan McLean. Nathan had a good result (scoring 2/5), including a 15-move win over second seed Jens Kasstrup.

Jens, however, did manage to flash a bit of that 'old Kaastrup magic' when he sacrificed a rook and a bishop to mate Gord Cannon.

Section A	1	2	3	4	5	6
1 G Cannon	x	1	=	0	0	1 2.5
2 N McLean	0	x	0	1	0	1 2.0
3 D Ottosen	=	1	x	=	0	1 3.0
4 J Kaastrup	1	0	=	x	0	= 2.0
5 N Sharp	1	1	1	1	x	1 5.0
6 H Vandervaart	0	0	0	=	0	x 0.5

Former Edmontonian David Ottosen, who is attending Red Deer College, was second, with 2 wins, a loss, and 2 draws, for a 3-2 score.

In the middle section, new CFC members Mike McCarthy and Duong Huynh battled down to the wire. McCarthy's victory over Huynh in their individual encounter enabled him to pull into first place.

In the non-rated student section, Bonnie Jansen deflated several male egos on her way to a perfect 5-0 score.

### Notes from a Novice

by Cheryl Jones

As a woman just getting into the wonderful world of chess, I'm always on the lookout for tips from the 'experts'. The players at the Calgary Chess Club have been more than generous with their advice. Here are some of the hints I've picked up. My apologies if I misquote anyone.

*The 'Mousseau Method' or 'Chocolate Mousseau'*: Chocolate and relaxation (plus a generous helping of Coke)—the keys to success in tournament play.

*Haessel's Help for winning your first game*: If you play in tournaments long enough, your opponent won't show up and you'll win by forfeit. However, Dale cautions against 'forced' byes through the use of large, burly hitmen.

*Farzan's Formula*: Farzan Nazarian suggests learning chess from the endgame and then working toward the middlegame. "When you can mate with a bishop and a knight, then you can play the game."

*Odachowski on Openings*: Arthur thinks Canadians study the openings far too much. We should instead concentrate more on endgame strategy. "Do you want to play chess, or do you want to study openings?"

*Huber's Handy Hint*: The endgame is still far off for a beginner—you also have to know how to make it there.

*Wilson's Words of Wisdom*: Ted's suggestion is don't get so consumed by the game... "just play" and enjoy it.

One of the chess experts once said: "If you don't play chess, you're not a complete person." Thanks to everyone for freely giving advice and lending me books to help in my quest to become a "complete person".

Section B	1	2	3	4	5	6
1 M Jackson	x	1	=	1	0	0 2.5
2 B McLean	0	x	0	1		1.0
3 D Huynh	=	1	x	1	0	1 3.5
4 I Daae	0	0	0	x	0	0 0.0
5 M McCarthy	1		1	1	x	1 4.0
6 P Simieritsch	1		0	1	0	x 2.0

G. Cannon - J. Kaastrup

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Nd4 4.Nxd4 exd4 5.c3 Qg5 6.Bf1 d3 7.Qf3 d6 8.h3 Nf6 9.c4 Nh5 10.g3 Qe5 11.Qxd3 f5 12.Nc3 Be6 13.Bg2 O-O-O 14.O-O f4 15.Nd5 g5 16.g4 Nf6 17.Rd1 h5 18.Nxf6 Qxf6 19.f3 hxg4 20.fxg4 Bg7 21.Rb1 Rdf8 22.Qf3 Qd4+ 23.Kh2 Be5 24.b3 Bxg4 25.Qxg4+ Kb8 26.Bf3 Rh4 27.Bb2 Qf2+ 28.Qg2 Rxh3+ 29.Kxh3 Rh8+ 30.Kg4 Qh4+ 31.Kf5 Rf8+ 32.Kg6 Rf6+ 33.Kg7 Qh6+ 34.Kg8 Rf8# (0-1)



# ALBERTA JUNIOR CHESS REPORT

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## 1993-94 Canadian Junior by Adam Wu

The 1993-94 Canadian Junior was held from December 27, 1993 to January 2, 1994 in the Toronto area, Markham to be exact, which just happened to be the exact same place as the Juniors for the past two years.

I arrived in Toronto on the afternoon of the 26th and was greeted by icy winds and frigid air. I departed for Edmonton on January 3 in the midst of a minor blizzard that delayed the flight by 20 minutes. For me, the thing that stood out most strongly about the playing conditions in this tournament will always be the oppressive, prevalent cold. It permeated everywhere. The heater ran constantly and futilely in a tournament room that often appeared more like a meeting room for a ski team than the playing site for a chess tournament. The room itself was in the Chimo/Markham Hotel, where I was billeted with B.C. player Howard Wu (rating list qualifier) and Atlantic Champion Ed Urquhart (an Edmonton native and Oiler fan, believe it or not) in another room on the fifth floor. Not surprisingly, that room was cold as well.

The tournament was won by Timour Koliada with 10/11, who, upon his recent arrival in Canada from Armenia (I believe), instantly increased the ranks of Canadian FM's by one. There was never any doubt that the winner would either be Timour or Adam Litke, who finished second with 9.5/11.

Round 1 opened with the players filing into the room ceremoniously, taking off their jackets, and then putting them back on again rather quickly. My opponent was Ontario Champion Tom Samson, and I had Black. I traded a minor piece for three pawns, and obtained what turned out to be, in post-mortem analysis, a superior position. In the game, however, I blundered a pawn and achieved a losing position, in which I then hung a rook.

In round 2 I faced Matthew Struthers with White. Matthew had entered the tournament on Christmas Eve, when Peter Ozlewski withdrew for personal reasons. In the late opening-early middlegame, Matthew failed to find a consistent plan, and I quickly achieved a significantly stronger position. At the critical moment, I offered Matthew the choice of sacrificing an exchange for some compensation or losing a pawn for nothing. Matthew inexplicably chose the second option. However, a hasty

move near time control gave him a tactical shot that won back his pawn. In the resulting same-coloured Bishop endgame, Matthew mistakenly allowed me to fix his pawns on the wrong colour, after which I had the choice of five or six different winning moves.

Round 3 rolled by, and I faced the third ranked player, John Hall. Playing Black, I essayed the KID, with which I was around 80% outside Toronto, and 0% inside Toronto. John, discovering from some unsavory spy that my opening theory was limited, played the 4 Pawns Attack. A series of bad judgements stemming from an unfounded paranoia of protected passed pawns gave me a hopelessly cramped position and I was crushed shortly thereafter. I didn't get a single piece across the middle of the board until the last move, when it didn't matter in the least where I moved anymore.

In Round 4 I was playing roommate Howard Wu. Howard is particularly strong in opening theory, and prepares extensively for all his opponents. After some brief tactical skirmishes, we traded down into a rook and bishop vs rook and knight ending, and soon afterwards, I dropped a pawn. However, by pure accident, giving up the pawn allowed me to sac a second pawn to greatly activate my rook, winning back a pawn and creating a highly unbalanced position. Also fortunately for me, Howard lacked confidence in his endgame technique, and chose to force a draw by repeated position.

Round 5 was experimentation time as I had Black against Koliada. Since I knew that Timour always played King's Indians as Black, and attempted to transpose into KID's whenever his opponent played e4, I decided that I was not in the mood for getting crushed by a KID expert again. Instead, I played a Benko Gambit. However, being unfamiliar with the positional intricacies of the line, I allowed Timour to establish pawns on d6 and e5. I eventually succeeded in undermining and winning those pawns, but by then he had a mating attack.

In Round 6 I faced my other roommate, Eddie Urquhart, with white. I walked into a prepared variation and was soundly crushed. By move 25 I had the unpleasant choice of dropping the exchange or allowing a brilliant double R sac mating combo. I chose the former and hung on until move 62, futilely attempting various cheapos.

Round 6 was the lowpoint of my tournament. I now had only 1.5/6 and had been soundly crushed in all my losses. All of these

games were also basically over before move 30, which was a depressing thought. Analysing these losses was even more depressing. Sometimes I was positionally crushed, sometimes I made horrible tactical blunders, often I did both. It seemed that the moment I was out of book I screwed up, and my opponents, who were consistently still in book, always capitalized.

December 30 was a major turning point. In Round 7 I was Black against Ian Martinovsky. Ironically, we were both struggling at this point in tournament, and we would both see this game as a turning point. Early in the opening Ian instinctively sacrificed his bishop to obtain a blitzkrieg on my king. His attack was unsound and the investment of a bishop proved costly.

In round 8 I faced Olivier Mirabeau for the second time in my life. Olivier was having an awful tournament and was rather depressed by the time of our game. He did not succeed in recovering from this depression and finished last. In the opening I played a move which, after I saw Olivier's near-instantaneous response, I was sure was a terrible blunder. It was not. In fact, it was the main line. However, my next move really was a serious error, and the position simplified into an endgame where Olivier had two absolutely beautiful bishops raking my pawn structure, which was extremely weak on the dark squares. However, at this point Olivier completely lost the thread of the game and soon found himself down two pawns, after which he was too depressed to fight on.

Round 9, and I was Black against KID expert Litke. I didn't know what was happening, but I had Black against the players ranked 1,2,3,4,6, and 7, respectively.

Anyways, back to Round 9. Knowing that Litke makes a living eating KID's alive, I again tried the Benko Gambit I played against Koliada, only this time I deviated into a different line. I soon achieved what I believed was an inferior, but tenable, position. Litke launched a K-side attack. I rushed my queen back to defend, coming through the centre, which was dominated by White. I had calculated that my queen could not be trapped. I was wrong. Litke had calculated a line that trapped my queen. He was wrong. Another line trapped my queen, but he did not play it. Instead, I emerged with an excellent position, with two active bishops on the long diagonals and latent threats on Adam's King. Litke, knowing he had to win because he was trailing Koliada by 0.5 points,

traded two pieces for a rook and avoided the forced perpetual check which his combination gave him. The game still ended in perpetual check. I had a tricky line in which I could've avoided the second perpetual, but had dismissed it as suicidally exposing my king and did not even consider calculating it.

By an uncanny coincidence, the half-point I managed to take off Littke corresponds exactly with the half-point by which Timour won the tournament. Against everyone else, the two tournament leaders had exactly the same score.

After Round 9, there was a suggestion to hold a 'Canadian Junior Siamese Chess Championship', which was spontaneously organized. Partners were obtained by draw. I was paired with Matthew Struthers, and we finished with 4/10. After the Siamese tournament, we had a New Year's Eve party, which was marked by Howard winning nearly \$20, and the TD losing an equivalent amount in a 5 hour poker game (I did not participate).

In Round 10 I had Black against Uma Casinathan. A tense central skirmish led into a queen exchange and we reached an end-game where I was working for a q-side break, and he was building up a k-side break. I considered his pawn thrust more dangerous, and he considered mine more dangerous (he was right). He offered a draw with a move which placed his king on a square that suffocated his own attack, but I was still thinking about the position before the move and accepted.

Round 11 rolled by, and I was playing Dan Federkevic. Dan quickly achieved the nickname of 'the rock' in this tournament. He scored 1 win, 3 losses, and 7 draws! I stunned my opponent, who was probably expecting another Ruy Lopez, with my opening and developed a blistering initiative. The game turned out to be probably the most exciting I participated in, and included a vicious time scramble in which I offered a piece completely unsoundly. Dan, calculating almost the exact same lines as I was, declined. This allowed me to continue the attack, but Dan simply would not crack, and I had to play rather resourcefully to draw.

So, after a horrible first 6 games, I went undefeated in my last five. The only frustrating thing about it was my inability to win my last three games. I finished with 5/11, just under 0.500, and placed 7th. This result was the best I have ever achieved against this kind of opposition. While I failed to capitalize on superior positions in the last three rounds, I also garnered 1.5 points out of two inferior positions against Howard and Olivier, so my luck basically evened out.

The tournament ended with a Blitz Championship, which Timour won with the

### Alberta Junior

by Rob Gardner

Adam Wu's second Alberta Junior title was clinched with a last round draw with Jim Roy (if Jim had been able to fight to a win, he would have tied for first). Dave Gomboc, knowing this was his last year of eligibility, put in a strong effort, but was 1/2 point short.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	
1 A. Wu	x	1	=	=	1	1	4.0
2 D. Gomboc	0	x	1	=	1	1	3.5
3 J. Roy	=	0	x	1	=	1	3.0
4 B. Wu	=	=	0	x	1	1	3.0
5 S. Chan	0	0	=	0	x	1	1.5
6 A. Masterson	0	0	0	0	0	x	0.0

#### Round 2. Sherwin Chan—Adam Wu

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.f3 O-O 6.Bd3 Nc6 7.Nge2 e5 8.d5 Nb4 9.Bb1 a5 10.a3 Na6 11.Bg5 Bd7 12.Bc2 Qe8 13.Qd2 Rb8 14.Nd1 a4 15.b4 axb3 16.Bxb3 Nc5 17.Bc2 b5 18.cxb5 Bxb5 19.Nec3 Bc4 20.Nf2 Rb2 21.Qc1 Qb8 22.Rb1 Rxb1 23.Qxb1

same score he obtained in the "real" tournament. I scored 4/11.

In conclusion, I would like to give my thanks to the ACA for paying more than half my air fare (Eddie wasn't so lucky—I believe he was reimbursed a grand total of \$50 or so). I wish also to thank Yves Farges for running an excellent tournament, Eddie and Howard for being wonderful roommates, and finally, the gods of winter for mercifully not freezing us to death (although they came close).

Normally, I annotate at least two games. This time, however, I ran into some problems selecting games. To put it frankly, all my losses are too disastrous to put in print, two of my three wins were decided only by awful blunders by my opponent, one of my draws was quick and boring, and the other two were so messy that I haven't yet figured out what had been going on. Thus, by process of elimination, we are left with this...

#### Adam Wu—Matthew Struthers

1.e4 d6 2.d4 g6 3.c4 Bg7 4.Nf3 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Be2 a6 7.O-O b5 8.cxb5 axb5 9.Qb3!? I wanted to prevent 9...b4, but considering that the Q comes back to c2 anyways, 9.Qc2 b4 10.Nd1 - e3 may have been better. 9...O-O 10.Rd1 Nfd7 11.Be3 Na6 12.a3 Rb8 13.Qc2 Nc7?! 13...b4! 14.Na4 Bb7 gives Black counterplay 14.Rac1! Qe8 Black is going to have problems defending the p/c6. 15.Na2 Rb6 16.Nb4 Bb7 17.Nd3? Black's pieces are tied into knots. The best way to exploit this is 17.Nd5! Then, if 17...cxd5 18.Qxc7 Qc8 (dxe4 19.Ne5!) 19.Qxc8 Bxc8 (Rxc8 20. Rxc8 Bxc8

### Northern Alberta Cadet

by Rob Gardner

The three highest-rated participants played each other in the first three rounds. Nathan McLean defeated Cynthia Wu in round 3 after she passed up a chance to draw. All players in this young field can again participate as cadets in 1994.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	
1 N. McLean	x	1	=	1	1	1	4.5
2 C. Wu	0	x	1	1	1	1	4.0
3 D. Wu	=	0	x	1	1	1	3.5
4 D. Campbell	0	0	0	x	1	1	2.0
5 L. Chiang	0	0	0	0	x	=	0.5
6 R. Curtis	0	0	0	0	=	x	0.5

Qxb1+ 24.Nxb1 Rb8 25.Nd2 Ba6 26.Nd1 Nfd7 27.Be3 Nb6 28.Bxc5 dxc5 29.Nb3 Bf8 30.Nc1 Bb5 31.Nc3 Nc4 32.a4 Ba6 33.Nb3 Ne3 34.Kd2 Nxg2 35.Ne2 Bh6+ 36.Kc3 Bxe2 37.Nxc5 Nf4 38.Nd7 Ra8 39.Nxe5 Bg7 40.Kd4 Re8 41.Rb1 Bxe5+ 42.Kc5 Nd3+ 43.Kc6 Bd6 44.h4 Nb4+ (0-1)

21.Rc1 Rb8 22.Bxb4) 20. e5 and White is significantly better. or: 17. ...Nxd5 18.exd5 cxd5 19.Qc7 Qc8 20.b4 and White has a good game. 17...Ba8? (Qa8!) 18.d5 e5 19.b4 Na6 Black's best try is 19...c4!?, sacrificing the exchange for a protected passer and control of the a1-h8 diagonal as compensation. 20.bxc5 Nxc5 21.Nxc5 dxc5 22.Bxc5 Rb8 23.Bd4 Bh6 24.Rb1 e5 25.Be3?! Setting myself up for the later chepo. Better was 25.Bc3, with the idea of either Qb2 or Bd2. 25...Bxe3 26.fxe3 Nf6 27.Nd2 Qe7 28.Qb3 Kg7 29.Rdc1 Qa7 30.Rc3 Rfc8 31.Qc2? Qxe3+! White is still better now, but it is much tougher. 32.Rxe3 Rxc2 33.Nf1 Rc5 34.Rb4 Rb7 35.Reb3 Ne8 36.Rxb5 Rxb5 37.Rxb5 Ra7 38.Rb3 Nd6 39.Nd2 f5 40.Rb6! Weakens Black's sp-structure, and liberates my two passed pawns. 40...Nxe4 41.Nxe4 fxe4 42.d6 e3 Black must free his B/a8. 43.Rb3 Bc6 44.Rxe3 Kf6 45.Rc3 Bd7 46.Rc7 Since the d6 pawn is doomed anyways, White must gain as many tempi as possible while Black is busy hunting it down. 46...Rxc7 47.dxc7 Bc8 48.a4 Ke7 49.a5 Kd6 50.a6 Kxc7 White's primary advantage is the advanced pla6. This prevents Black's King from approaching the K-side pawns. Therefore, the advanced pawn translates into a K-position advantage. 51.Kf2 Kb6 52.Ke3 Bd7 53.g3 Correct is 53.g4! h5 (53...Bc6? 54.g5!, or 53...g5 54.Ke4) 54.g5 Bf5 55.Bd3 and White wins. 53...Bc6 54.g4 e4? Losing. 54...g5! draws. 55.g5 Kc5 56.Bg4 Kb6 57.Bc8 Kc7 58.Bb7 Bb5 59.Kxe4 Bf1 60.Ke5 Bh3 61.Kf6 Bf5 62.h4 Kb6 63.h5 Bd3 64.h6 (1-0)

**Alberta Cadet**  
by Rob Gardner

Going into the last round, four players had a shot at tying for first. Nathan McLean and Sherwin Chan came out on top with 4 points each. Nathan McLean won the dramatic playoff match run by the esteemed TD, chess administrator and star limbo dancer, Mr. Ford Wong. Douglas Wu and Cynthia Wu were in the running until losing in the last round. Amanda Dodd-Flower had a rating disadvantage, but scored two draws and would have added another point except for a painful blunder in a winning position. Brent McLean scored only half a point, but he still has '700 years' of eligibility.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	
1 N. McLean	x	=	=	1	1	1	4.0
2 S. Chan	=	x	1	=	1	1	4.0
3 D. Wu	=	0	x	1	=	1	3.0
4 C. Wu	0	=	0	x	1	1	2.5
5 A. Dodd-Flower	0	0	=	0	x	=	1.0
6 B. McLean	0	0	0	0	=	x	0.5

**Alberta Cadet Playoff**  
by Ford Wong and Neil Sharp

Nathan McLean's hard work and study paid off as he surprised most everyone and upset favorite Sherwin Chan by winning both playoff games to become Alberta Cadet Champion. Sherwin may have taken his opponent too lightly as he had relatively good positions in both games, but a lack of inner patience perhaps cost him the match. Nathan has been working on his game and continues to get stronger and stronger each time out. Congratulations to Nathan and good luck at the Canadian Cadet in 1994!

Game 1. Sherwin Chan—Nathan McLean Sherwin outplayed Nathan for most of the game, and tricked Nathan for a piece by leaving a pawn hanging. However, in a won position Sherwin went pawn hunting, allowing Nathan enough counterplay to invade Sherwin's backfield and mate his king.

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.f3 0-0 6.Bd3 e5 7.d5 Ne8 8.Be3 f5 9.Nge2 f4 10.Bf2 Qg5 11.Rg1 Nd7 12.h4 Qe7 13.b4 Bf6 14.Rh1 Ng7 15.Qb3 a6 16.c5 Rf7 17.Bc4 Rf8 18.Rc1 Kh8 19.c6 bxc6 20.dxc6 Nb8 21.Nd5 Qd8 22.a4 Nxc6 23.Nxf6 Rxf6 24.Bd5 Bd7 25.Bxc6 Be6 26.Qd3 Rb8 27.b5 axb5 28.axb5 Qe7 29.Nc3 Qf7 30.Nd5 Bxd5 31.exd5?! Nf5 32.Kd2 Ne7 33.Rhe1 Nxc6 34.bxc6 Rb2+ 35.Rc2 Rxc2+ 36.Kxc2 Qe8 37.Qa6 Qg8 38.Qb5 Rf8 39.Rb1 Ra8 40.Rb2 Qf7 41.Qb7 Qf5+ 42.Kd2 Ra3 43.Qb8+ Kg7 44.Qxc7+?? Kh6 45.Qb6 Qd3+ 46.Kc1 Rc3+ (0-1)

Game 2. Nathan McLean—Sherwin Chan Sherwin went for an all out attack, but allowed a simplification and then fell into a exchange-winning combination, giving Nathan an easy win. Not to take anything away from Nathan, but a contributing factor to Sherwin's loss may have been a lack of concentration as he used only 10 minutes for the game.

Because of his error in game one, Chan had to win this game to prolong the match (annotated by Neil Sharp):

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 b5 5.Bb3 Nf6 6.Ng5 Presumably Black is provoking White into carrying out an attack on f7 in the spirit of the Two Knights Defence. 6...d5 7.exd5 Nd4 Black intends to exchange on b3, and afterwards win back the pawn on d5. If 7...Nxd5 then the standard attack 8.Nxf7 Kxf7 9.Qf3+ Ke6 10.Nc3 Nce7 11.d4 c6 12.Bg5 or 8.Qf3 Be6 9.Nxe6 fxe6 10.Nc3 are good for White. 8.d6 Nxb3 9.dxc7 Qxc7 10.axb3 White keeps an extra pawn, but now 10...h6 11.Nf3 e4 would give Black a menacing initiative. This position almost occurs in ECO under C78 with a different move order. There Black played his pawn to d5 in two moves which gave White time to play 0-0. 10...e4 11.0-0 Ng4 If 11...h6 then 12.Nxe4 Nxe4 13.Re1 12.g3 h6 Black gives up a second pawn to clear the light squared long diagonal, which is particularly vulnerable as White has no light-squared Bishop. 13.Nxe4 Be7 14.d3 Certainly 14.d4 is preferable. 14...f5 15.Ned2 Better would be 15.f3 or 15.Nec3 15...Bb7 16.Nf3 If 16.f3 then not Ne3 but the crushing 16...Qb6+ 17.Kh1 Qf2. 16...Qc6 17.Nbd2 h5 17...Ne5 18.Kg2 g5 19.Re1 Nxf3 20.Nxf3 g4 is winning for Black. 18.Re1 h4 If 18...Nxb2 19.Kxh2 h4 20.gxh4, White probably survives. 19.Qe2 Qc7 If 19...0-0-0 20.Qxe7 Rhe8 21.Rxa6 Bxa6 22.Qf7 Rxe1+ 23.Nf1 g6 is unclear. 20.Nf1 Good is 20.Nxh4 Rxh4 21.Qxe7+ Qxe7 22.Rxe7+ Kxe7 23.gxh4 20...hgx3 21.fgx3 Qc5+ If 21...0-0-0 22.Qxe7 Qc6 23.Bf4 stopping ...Qxf3 22.Be3 22.d4 Bxf3 23.dxc5 Bxe2 24.Rxe2 wins. 22...Nxe3 23.Qxe3 Qxe3+ Better is 23...0-0-0 24.Qxc5+ Bxc5+ 25.d4 Bxd4+ 26.Nxd4 Rxd4 or 24.d4 Qc6 24.Rxe3 No problem now. 24...Rc8 25.Rae1 Rc7 26.Nh4 Kf7 27.Rxe7+ Rxe7 28.Rxe7+ Kxe7 29.Ng6+ Kf6 30.Nxh8 g5 Black wins back the piece but the ending is hopeless. 31.Ne3 f4 32.gxf4 gxf4 33.Ng2 Kg7 34.Nxf4 Kxh8 35.Kf2 Kg7 36.Ke3 Kf6 37.c4 bxc4 38.bxc4 Ke5 39.h4 a5 40.d4+ Kf5 41.d5 a4 42.h5 Kg5 43.Ke4 Ba6 44.d6 Bc8 45.Ke5 Bd7 46.c5 a4 47.bxa3 Bc6 48.Ke6 Kxf4 49.d7 Bxd7+ 50.Kxd7 Kg5 51.c6 Black soon resigned. Thus Nathan McLean, age 11(!) of Rimbey(!) became the 1993 Alberta Cadet (under 16) champion.

**EJCC November Nightwatch Active**  
by Ford Wong

The Alberta Junior and the Northern Alberta Cadet were held the same day as the November EJCC meeting, taking away most of the stronger players, leaving a 'Wu-less' event. However, the entrants got a good chance to win a book prize. The tournament was an 8-player round robin with two prizes.

Aaron Lovi took advantage of this opportunity and, with a perfect 7-0, took the Over 1000 book prize. The Under 1000 prize required a 2-game, 10 minute/game playoff between Chris Steinbach and Alim Merali, who finished the round robin with 3 wins and 4 losses. Chris Steinbach emerged victorious. During the round robin, Alim missed several opportunities to win the Under 1000 outright. Several of his losses should've been victories as he had decisive material advantage, but let victory slip away via some loose play. With a little more steady play, Alim should become a force to be reckoned with.

Surprisingly, this 7-round event took only 4.5 hours as most games finished quickly. Thanks to everyone who played.

**EJCC December Dalliance**  
by Adam Wu

Six hardy competitors appeared to witness a miracle: the return of the TD, sort of like the prodigal son, who was missing the past two months. The 5-round round robin quickly defined itself along the lines of a gender battle, and the girls won with a solid TKO. Cynthia Wu finished first with 4.5/5, with Lian Chang close behind with 4/5.

Aaron Lovi, who had been riding a very long winning streak, had difficulties with the 4th dimension. In his round 2 game vs Lian, he was up a Q with mate in 1 when his flag fell. Lian, who was watching the clock, didn't call it. Why? A spectator called it first! The hapless TD consulted with Ford (Mr. Past/Ex-Big) then awarded the game to Lian. (If this decision is wrong, it was Ford's, not mine!) Aaron's luck turned slightly in another interesting game. Alim Merali, in a winning position (his second in a row versus Aaron), overlooked a threatened mate. In that round, Duncan Campbell held Cynthia to a draw. The ticker struck again in the last round game between two time trouble addicts. After both shuffled aimlessly in the opening, Cynthia attacked the king and was about to squish Aaron like a bug. With mere seconds on her clock she miscalculated a mating combination and played a move that would have dropped a bishop and queen. However, at that exact moment (i.e. the moment that decided first), Aaron's flag fell.

1992-93 Canadian Junior  
by Andrew Paduch

This tournament featured the best of Canada's youth. Indeed, it was the strongest Canadian Junior ever. Top-ranked (and the eventual winner) was Alexandre Lesiège, who had just come back from Europe. While not performing up to the expectations of observers, he nonetheless was strong enough to win the playoff match versus Ron Livshits.

The event was held at Toronto's Chimo Hotel (Dec 27/92-Jan 3/93... this report is a 'bit' late—ed.). I wasn't impressed with the site. The room was somewhat cramped, and not conducive to good play (this isn't an excuse for not doing well!). Other than this caveat, Yves Farges organized the tournament well, and helped Todd Southam direct.

I came to Ontario unprepared, and in the first three games achieved unimpressive positions out of the opening. The first game I played was against Dale McTavish, an up-and-coming expert. I made a dubious capture to unbalance the position, and he returned the favour by making a bad sacrifice. He made the next to last mistake though, as I made a bad move as I ran low on time.

D. McTavish (2176)-A. Paduch (2250)

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Bd2 Nc6 5.a3 Bf8 I preferred to keep the bishop on the board. 6.Nf3 dxe4? Taking the pawn turned out to not be so good, as my opponent gains a strong initiative. 7.Nxe4 Nxd4 8.Bg5 Nxf3+ 9.Qxf3 f6 Forced, as 9...Be7 10.Rd1 Bd7 11.Nc5 is gross. 10.Rd1 Bd7 11.Bh4 Be7 12.Bc4 Qc8 13.O-O e5 14.Rxd7?! White played this to avoid ...Bg4, but this is over-optimistic. 14.Qb3 (idea f4) is a much better plan. 14...Qxd7 15.Qb3 Kf8 16.Qf3 Qc6 17.Bb3 h6 18.Qh5 Qe8 White doesn't have enough for the exchange, even though Black might have played better. 19.Qf5 g6 20.Qe6 Bd8 21.Qd5 f5? (21...c6) 22.Nc5 Bxh4 23.Ne6+ Ke7 24.Nxc7 Qd7 25.Qxe5+ Kd8 26.Ne6+ Kc8 29.Qxh8 and White eventually won (1-0)

I got back on track in game four. Playing the Dutch Leningrad vs Sherwin Mohammad Nabi (who also wasn't having a great tournament), the game was tense until he erred in mutual time trouble and was mated.

S. Mohammad Nabi (2276)-A. Paduch

1.d4 f5 2.c4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.g3 Bg7 5.Bg2 O-O 6.Nf3 d6 7.O-O Nc6 8.d5 Na5 9.Nd2 c5 10.a3 Bd7 11.Rb1 a6 12.b4?! Not usually played, because it allows Black to equalize. More testing is 12.Qc2, after which White should fianchetto his dark-squared bishop. 12...cxb4 13.axb4 Nxc4 14.Nxc4

Qc7 15.Nxd6 exd6 16.Qb3 Rfe8 17.Bd2 Rac8 18.Rfc1 Qb6 In retrospect, it might have been more prudent to try to gain control of c4. I was in an attacking mood. 19.h3 Nh5 20.e3 g5 21.Qd1 Nf6 22.e4 Nxe4 23.Nxe4 fxe4 24.Rxc8 Bxc8 25.Qh5 Bd7 26.Re1 Qd4 27.Qxg5 h6 28.Qf4 Rf8 29.Qe3 Qxd5 For the past few moves my position has been one that is difficult to play. 30.Bxe4 Qb5 31.Bd3 Qh5 32.g4 Qf7 33.Rc1 Bc6 34.Bf5 Re8 35.Qd3 Qe7 36.Re1 Qd8 In extreme time-pressure, I missed Qxe1+, winning. I noticed the possibility but had no time to analyze as both flags were hanging by the thinnest of margins. 37.Be6+ Kh8 38.Qg6 Qe7 39.Bf7 Qxe1+ Now it's "forced and good." 40.Bxe1 Rxe1+ 41.Kh2 Be5+ 42.f4 Bxf4 mate (0-1)

I won my games in rounds five and seven, but lost to Eduardo Teodoro in between. Eduardo didn't complete the tournament; apparently he was not happy with his play and abandoned the event to play active chess in Toronto. I feel that this shows poor sportsmanship, and do not recommend this sort of thing to any of our up-and-coming juniors here in Alberta. It is hard to improve without playing.

I suppose an update might be a good idea here. After 7 rounds, Lesiège was leading the pack with 6.5 points. Littke was close behind at 6, followed by Livshits and McTavish with 5.5. I was back in the pack with 3 points. Livshits would have had a higher score had he not slipped up in the following round 5 game:

R. Livshits (2360)-Peter Ferguson (2227)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Nf3 O-O 6.Be2 e5 7.O-O Nc6 8.d5 Ne7 9.Nd2 a5 10.a3 Ne8 11.Rb1 c5 12.b4 axb4 13.axb4 b6 14.bxc5 bxc5 15.Nb3 f5 16.f3 Kh8 17.Bg5 Bf6 18.Bxf6 Nxf6 19.Ra1 Rxa1 20.Qxa1 Neg8 21.Qa5 Qe7 22.exf5 Bxf5 23.g4 Nh5 24.gxh5 Bh3 25.Ne4 Bxf1 26.Kxf1 Qh4 27.Kg2 Nh6 28.hxg6 Nf5 29.Ng3 Ne3+ 30.Kg1 Qh3 31.Bf1 Nxf1 32.Nxf1 Qxf3 33.Nbd2 Qf2+ 34.Kh1 Qe1 35.h3 Rxf1+ 36.Nxf1 Qxa5 (0-1)

In the 8th round I tried a new plan against Adam Littke. It didn't offer much prospects for dynamic play, but earned a safe draw against one of the higher rated participants.

A. Littke (2321)-A. Paduch

1.d4 f5 2.Nc6 Nf6 3.Bg5 d5 4.Bxf6 exf6 5.e3 c6 6.Bd3 g6 7.h4 Be6 8.h5 Rg8 9.hxg6 hxg6 10.Qf3 Nd7 11.Nge2 Bd6 12.Nf4 Bxf4 13.Qxf4 Qe7 14.O-O O-O O-O 15.Rh6 Qg7 16.Rdh1 Rh8 17.Qh2 Rxh6 18.Qxh6 Rg8 19.Qh2 Nf8 20.Ne2 Qf7 21.Nf4 Bd7

22.Kb1 Rg7 23.g3 Rh7 24.Qg2 Rxh1 25.Qxh1 g5 26.Ne2 Ng6 27.Qh5 Qg7 28.Kc1 Kd8 29.Kd2 Ne7 30.Qh1 Be8 31.Qh2 Kc8 32.Nc3 Bg6 33.Na4 Qh7 34.Qxh7 Bxh7 25.Nc5 Bg8 36.a4 b6 37.Nb3 Kc7 38.a5 Be6 39.axb6+ axb6 40.Nc1 Nc8 (draw)

I was beaten in round nine quite convincingly by Ron Livshits. I took revenge on Anthony Howard in the tenth, outplaying him with black in the King's Indian Attack. The tournament ended not-so-well, as I lost to John Hall in the last round.

A. Paduch-J. Hall (2178)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 d5 4.g3 c5 5.cxd5 exd5 The game transposes to the Tarrasch defence, where Black has active piece play as compensation for the isolated queen pawn. 5...Nxd5 was also possible. 6.Bg2 Nc6 7.O-O Be7 8.Nc3 O-O White has a multitude of plans here. 9.b3 is a positional move, trying to control d4 by fianchettoing the dark-squared bishop. 9.dxc5 pressures the d-pawn immediately, i.e. 9...Bxc5 10.Bg5 d4 11.Bxf6 Qxf6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nd2 leads to a balanced game. 9.Be3 is another alternative. 9.Bg5 forces Black to clarify the centre, as White applies pressure in hopes of winning Black's d-pawn. 9.Bg5 cxd4 10.Nxd4 Re8 This move isn't seen often, but is at least as good as the main alternative, 10...h6. It applies indirect pressure to the white e-pawn; an example variation is 11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.Na4 Ba6 13.Rc1 h6 14.Be3 Qa5 15.b3 Ng4 with dynamic equality. 11.Nb3 (pressures the d-pawn) Bg4 12.h3 Bf5 13.Rc1 d4 14.Nb5 d3 15.e3 h6 also leads to a complex middlegame. I chose to slowly build up pressure against the centre. 11.Rc1 h6 12.Be3 Bg4 Black loses a tempo over the main line with this move. 12...Bf8 probably should have been played. 13.Nb3 Be6 14.Nb5 Qd7 15.Nc5 Gaining the two bishops, and clarifying the position somewhat. 15...Bxc5 16.Rxc5 Rad8 17.Nd4 Nxd4 18.Bxd4 Ne4 19.Rc2 b6 Black's pieces are well-centralized, so while I have blockaded his pawn, it is difficult to attack it. 20.b3 Bh3 21.Qa1 Bxg2 22.Kxg2 f6 The d-pawn is still hard to attack; the exchange of my white-squared bishop is showing. I decided to look for play on the c-file instead. 23.Rfc1 Rc8 24.Qb2 Ng5 25.Kg1 Nh3+ 26.Kh1 Rxc2 27.Qxc2 Qg4 28.Be3 White was under a good deal of pressure here, but can defend adequately. The players are heading toward time trouble, and playing for an attack on the king is an especially good strategy under these conditions. 28...Kh8 29.Qd3 Qd7 30.Rd1 Rd8 31.Qg6 Threatening 32.Bxh6. 31...Qc6 Black responds with his own tactics, but 32.Bxh6 is good for White, because Black's



king position could be exploited in the endgame following 32...Nxf2+ 33.Kg2 gxb6 34.Qxh6+ Kg8 35.Kxf2. In time pressure, I'd planned Rc4, avoiding the discovered check, and possibly bringing it to the kingside after the B sac on h6. I thought I could repeat moves to get closer to time control by 32.Rc1 Qd7 33.Rd1. 32.Rc1 Qb7 I didn't consider this. 33.Bd4? Toopassive; 33.Bxh6 would've still been good. 33...Qe7 34.Kg2 Ng5 35.Qd3 Re8 Black has wrested the initiative, and after blundering in time pressure, John won. 36.e3? Qe6 37.Qe2 Qh3+ 38.Kg1 Qf5 39.h4 Nf3+ 40.Kg2 Nxd4 (0-1)

Despite being slightly off form at times, Alexandre Lesiège proved once again that he is definitely Canada's strongest junior. His resourcefulness shows as he plays accurately to win in the endgame in round 5.

Lesiège (2492)-S Mohammad Nabi (2276)  
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e3 b6 5.Ne2 Bb7 6.a3 Be7 7.d5 O-O 8.g3 d6 9.Bg2 Nbd7 10.Bd4 Ne5 11.Qe2 ed5 12.cd5 a5 13.O-O Ba6 14.Ncb5 Re8 15.Bd2 Bf8 16.Bd2 Bf8 17.Rc7 Qc7 18.Nc7 Be2 19.Ne2 Nd3 20.Bc3 Nd7 21.Nd4 Rac8 22.Ne8 Re8 23.Rd1 N3c5 24.Nb5 a4 25.Kf1 f5 26.Ke2 g5 27.Bh3 g4 28.Bg2 Kf7 29.h3 h5 30.hg4 fg4 31.Rh1 Kg6 32.f4 Ne4 33.Be4 Re4 34.Bb4 Nc5 35.Bc5 bc5 36.Kd3 Re8 37.Nc3 Rb8 38.Na4 Rb3 39.Kc4 Re3 40.Nc3 Bg7 41.a4 Bc3 42.bc3 Rg3 43.a5 Rf3 44.a6 Rf4 45.Kb5 Kg5 46.Ra1 Rf8 47.Kc6 g3 48.Kd6 h4 49.Ke7 Ra8 50.d6 g2 51.d7 h3 52.d8=QRd8 53.Kd8 h2 54.a7 h1 Q 55.a8 Q Qh8 56.Kc7

Qe5 57.Kb6 Qf6 58.Qc6 Qd8 59.Ka6 Qd3 60.Kb7 Qh7 61.Kb6 (1-0)

In round 9 he conducted a smooth win over the fourth-place finisher:

A. Lesiège (2492)-A. Littke (2321)  
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e3 c5 5.Bd3 O-O 6.Nf3 d5 7.O-O dxc4 8.Bxc4 cxd4 9.exd4 b6 10.Bg5 Bb7 11.Ne5 Be7 12.Re1 Nbd7 13.Qe2 Nxe5 14.dxe5 Nd5 15.Bxd5 Bxd5 16.Bxe7 Qxe7 17.Nxd5 exd5 18.Rad1 Rfd8 19.Rd4 Rac8 20.Qd2 Qc5 21.Rd1 Rc7 22.h3 Rcd7 23.f4 Qe7 24.Qe3 Qe6 25.Qf3 g6 26.a3 Kg7 27.Re1 f6 28.Kh1 fxe5 29.Rxe5 Qf6 30.Qe3 Kf7 31.f5 Re7 32.fxg6+ (1-0)

A. Lesiège (2492)-R. Livshits (2360)  
(playoff game #1)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 O-O 5.Nf3 d6 6.Be2 e5 7.O-O Nc6 8.d5 Ne7 9.Ne1 Nd7 10.f3 f5 11.g4 Kh8 12.Be3 Ng8 13.Ng2 Rf7 14.h4 Qf8 15.Bf2 a6 16.Rc1 Ngf6 17.b4 c5 18.a3 b5 19.cxb5 axb5 20.Ra1 Nb6 21.Nxb5 fxg4 22.Nxd6 Qxd6 23.bxc5 Qd7 24.cxb6 gxf3 25.Bxf3 Qh3 26.Ne3 Bh6 27.Bg2 Qd7 28.Rc1 Qd8 29.d6 Rxa3 30.Nc4 Ra2 31.Nxe5 Rf8 32.Rc2 Rxc2 33.Qxc2 Qxd6 34.Qc5 Qe6 35.Bd4 Bg7 36.Ng4 Qxg4 37.Bxf6 Rxf6 38.Rxf6 Qd1+ 39.Kh2 Qd8 40.e5 Bxf6 41.exf6 Qxf6 42.Qxc8+ Kg7 43.Qc7+ Kh6 44.Kg3 g5 45.Qc6 (1-0)

Lesiège didn't run up his score in this tournament, but he won the critical games when necessary. In closing, I'd like to thank all those involved in making this a pleasant experience.

### EJCC February Food Fight by Adam Wu

Douglas Wu, imitating the lettuce by coming in ahead, prevented a third straight tournament victory for the girls by edging out sister Cynthia and Aaron Lovi for first in this 14-player 5-round swiss (sorry, no cheese). Their respective scores were 4.5/5, 4/5, and 3.5/5. Kevin Ko won the book prize for under 1150/unrated with a solid 2.5/5.

There were few surprises in this tournament, and the top half of the cross table scored phenomenally well against the lower half in every round. Cynthia got off to a flying start with 3/3. The first upset occurred in the third round when Rob Curtis defeated Lian Chang using a culinary utensil known as a fork. Round three also saw Douglas let Aaron Lovi eat his rook. As Aaron had already stewed an exchange and a piece before that, the game was drawn. In round 4, Douglas skewered Cynthia to jump into the lead along with Aaron Lovi, although Jeremiah Gallinger came extremely

close to beating Aaron in their game. Meanwhile, Kevin Ko, Lorne Raffin, and Scott Mayo were all jammed for the lead in the under 1150/unrated section, but all three had to face higher ranked opponents. In the last round Douglas secured his victory by beating Rob Curtis, while Cynthia's KID minced Aaron once again. Meanwhile, Kevin won the under 1150 prize by the virtue of not losing. He held a draw against Lian Chang, who experienced the nasty effects of excessive siamese chess before tournament games. And now for the deciding game:

Cynthia Wu - Douglas Wu  
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.f4 e6 6.Nc3 a6 7.Bc4 Be7 8.Be3 Qc7 9.Bb3 Nbd7 10.g4? a4 or O-O were much safer 10...Nc5 11.Qf3 b5 12.g5 Nfxe4! 13.Nxe4 Nxe4 14.Qxe4? Bb7 15.Qd3 Bxh1 16.Qf1 Be4 17.c3 d5 18.Qh3 Bc5 19.Ke2 Qb6 20.Rg1 b4 21.Qg3 a5 22.Ba4+ Ke7 23.Qe1 Bxd4 24.Bxd4 Qa6+ 25.Kf2 Rg8 26.Rg3 Qd6 27.Qe3 bxc3 28.bxc3 Qa3 29.Bd1 Qxa2+ Black won after a mad time scramble (0-1)

### EJCC January Joy Ride Active by Ford Wong

The EJCC January Joy Ride was a four-way tie between Cynthia Wu, Douglas Wu, Duncan Campbell and Rob Curtis, each with 4 points. However, with Rob Curtis clearly winning his section, a playoff was only needed between Cynthia, Douglas and Duncan to determine who would take home a book in the top section. Cynthia Wu emerged victorious following the round robin playoff.

A playoff was also needed to determine the winner in the Under 1000 plus Unrated class. Duncan Campbell had a good performance, and had a chance to win the tournament cleanly, but failed in the last round to get a half point, allowing the others to catch up. GM points also go to Rob Curtis and Scott Mayo, who also did well.

Sixteen players participated in this first tournament of 1994, with three newcomers: Mike McCall, Ben Berci and Brian Tung.

With three six year olds already entered (Kevin Mayo, Scott Mayo, Brian Tung) the organizer was hoping for a fourth six year old to enter so that there could be a four player round robin between six year olds, but this was not to be (maybe next time!).

As an added special attraction, the kids were treated to a match game between David Ottosen and Beatrice Wu (whose match is being held concurrent with EJCC meetings), as well as a guest appearance by the former EJCC organizer, The Right Honorable Rocket Rob Gardner.

### CALGARY JUNIOR CHESS CLUB

Site: McDougall United Church, 8516 Athabasca St SE. Selected Saturdays. Entry fee \$2. Registration 9:30 a.m. (rd 1 at 10:00). Anyone interested in playing or in helping out can contact Jim Daniluk at 248-7456—check with Jim for the tournament schedule.

### EDMONTON JUNIOR CHESS CLUB

Tourneys on some Saturdays at the Main Library (south of Churchill Square; Edmonton Room, left of checkout area, as you enter). Low entry fees. Usually active chess (30 minutes per player). CFC/ACA memb. needed. Chess equipment supplied. For more information contact Ford Wong (481-6474).

### EJCC Schedule, Saturdays:

March Mayhem (Mar 5)  
April Aggression (Apr 9)

[Apr 9 event in meeting room downstairs]

May Meltdown (May 7)

Register: 9:30-10:00 a.m. (rd 1 10:15)

### LEDUC JUNIOR CHESS CLUB

Info: August Hangartner (986-0459).

## ACA TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

The sites for all Calgary and the Edmonton June tournaments have not yet been finalized. The next ACR will not be out in time to give details for the Calgary events listed, so you will have to call for information.

**Feb 26-27, Northern Alberta Open**  
Edmonton (details to the right)

**March 12-13, March of Kings**  
Calgary  
Contact Barney Fegyverneki (243-6351)

**March 26, Swan City Active**  
Grande Prairie  
(see 'Grand Prix' box below)

**April 1-3, Alberta Closed**  
Calgary  
Written registrations of entrants (via qualifiers or rating) must be received by the ACA by March 10, 1994.  
(Invitations are not issued.)  
See qualification rules outlined on page 3.  
Note: the '94 Northern Alberta Open is the final Qualifier for the '94 Alberta Closed.

**April 1, Alberta Active**  
**April 2-3, Alberta Reserves**  
Calgary  
Same location as the Alberta Closed, so you should be able to watch some of Alberta's top players in action!  
Contact Barney Fegyverneki (243-6351)

**April 30-May 1, U of A Open**  
University of Alberta, Edmonton  
Contact Ford Wong (481-6474)

**June 4-5, Red Deer Open**  
Red Deer College  
Contact David Ottosen (346-9381)

**June 11, Edmonton June Active**  
**June 12, Alberta Blitz**  
Edmonton  
Contact John Quiring (468-9173)

## NORTHERN ALBERTA OPEN

FEBRUARY 26-27, 1994, EDMONTON

Site: Highway Motor Inn  
4520-76 Ave (take 50 St south of 'Sherwood Park Fwy'); phone 468-5400  
(sorry, but the site is not believed to be readily accessible by public transit)

Register: 9:00-9:45 a.m.

(please be on time)

5 round Swiss (round 1: 10:00 a.m.)

Final Qualifier for 1994 Alberta Closed

Entry Fee: \$20.00 senior \$15.00 junior

Time Control: 40/1:50, 15/0:30

TD/Org: Len Steele (487-8652; 6 pm-10 pm)

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## 1994 CANADIAN OPEN

JULY 9-17, WINNIPEG, MANITOBA

\$10,000 in prizes

(prize fund based on 175 entries)

Site: Winnipeg Convention Center  
(centrally located; well lit; air-conditioned; full carpeting ensures quiet atmosphere)

Entry Fee: \$75 January 1-June 30;

\$85 after June 30 or on site

Entries to: CFC, 2212 Gladwin E-1(b),  
Ottawa, Ont. K1B 5N1

(include: full name & address, CFC # and rating, entry fee, CFC dues if needed, phone #, birthdate if junior, and signature)

Hotel: Delta Winnipeg, 288 Portage Ave,  
R3C 0B8; 204-956-0410 (fax 947-1129);

5 min walk from site; single/dbl-\$59,  
triple-\$69; restaurant, bar, pool, etc.

Format: single-section Swiss

(everyone has a chance to play against GM entrants; CFC & FIDE rated; so experts can obtain a FIDE rating)

## NOTE

Tournament information is as accurate as we can make it at publication time (phone to verify, if you wish; information is updated each ACR—check for changes).

The ACR believes all are:

NO SMOKING

NO COMPUTERS

## 1993-94 10TH ANNUAL ALTA-B.C. PEACE RIVER GRAND PRIX

**Feb 19 & 20 Mukluk Open**  
Ft. St. John, B.C.  
Contact: Larry Stutzman (604) 785-7830

**Mar 26 Swan City Active**  
Grande Prairie, Alta  
Contact: Jim Roy (403) 568-3961  
4-rd, rated: active (30 min/game) or regular (45/2 the 30/1). To qualify for GP pts (sum of 4 best scores), must play in at least 4 GP

events. No player may win more than one prize. Based on \$1.50 fee/entrant/event, clubs guarantee to max. of \$300: 1st overall 25% of prize fund, 2nd overall 17%; 1st 1400-1700 25%, 2nd 1400-1700 17%; 1st Unrated & Under 1400 16%. Jim Williams Memorial Trophy to overall winner. Ratings used for G.P. purposes are regular ratings as per 1993 *En Passant* Yearbook (August).