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## Northern Alberta Open

by David Ottosen

*The report on the Northern Alberta Open (Feb. 21 & 22) had been lost and was not included in the last issue. Anyway, better late than never...*

The Northern Alberta Open attracted 25 players, including 6 Masters, all — except for the 3 who were already in — trying to grasp that final qualification spot for the Alberta Closed. The close competition apparently got the better of some players, as some disputes erupted that the TD was loathe to have to break up, having developed an unfortunate lack of tolerance to chessplayers and their quirky natures (the Len Steele Syndrome?).

With such a plentiful bounty of Masters, an even more plentiful bounty of hunters came looking for some scalps, and despite some close calls, only one Master was forced to surrender and admit that his secret handshake was insufficient, when Warrick Walker flagged out in sudden death against Alan Clark. This level of domination led to a four-way tie of players with four points: Nenad Ristic, Rob Gardner, Nigel Fullbrook, and Arthur Odachowski. Fullbrook, having already won the Alberta Open, acquired a redundant qualification to the Closed on tiebreak. My records further indicate that Alan Clark, Harold Climenhaga, and Steve Hansen had the most points of anyone under 2000. This likely qualified them for prizes, the exact amounts of which I cannot recall.

As mentioned above, there were some incidents at the tournament, which detracted from the enjoyment for all. Unfortunately, Mr. Power John Quiring was not around to glower menacingly, which might have prevented such shenanigans. Maybe he could teach me how to do so (right, and the Rocket will teach me the secret Master handshake, too...).

### Ficko — Climenhaga [B98]

1. e4 c5 2. ♘f3 d6 3. d4 cd4 4. ♘d4 ♘f6 5. ♘c3 a6 6. ♙g5 e6 7. f4 ♙e7 8. ♖f3 ♘bd7 9. ♙c4 ♘b6 10. ♙b3 ♖c7 11. O-O-O ♘c4 12. ♚he1 O-O 13. ♖d3 ♘a5 14. e5 ♘b3 15. ab3 de5 16. fe5 ♘d5 17. ♙e7 ♘e7 18. ♖g3 ♙d7 19. ♘e4 ♘g6 20. ♘f3 ♙c6 21. h4 ♙e4 22. ♚e4 ♚ad8 23. ♚d6 ♘e5 24. ♚d4 ♚d6 25. ♖e5 ♙c6 26. ♖e2 ♚c8 27. c3 ♚d8 28. ♚d8 ♖d8 29. ♘b1 ♚d6 30. ♘c2 ♖f6 31. b4 ♖f5 32. ♘b3 ♖d5 33. ♘c2 ♖f5 34. ♘b3 ♖d3 35. ♚e1 b5 36. ♘e5 ♖d5 37. ♘c2 ♖g2 38. ♘b3 ♖d5 39. ♘a3 f6 40. ♘g4 ♖d1 41. ♖d1 ♚d1 42. ♘e3 ♚h1 43. ♘c2 ♚h4 44. b3 ♚e4 45. ♘d4 ♚d4 0-1.

*More games from the N. Alberta Open on p. 5.*

## Stardust Classic

by Piotr Rajski

As an organizer of the 1st Stardust Classic last year I am glad to report that, thanks to the efforts of Keith Martin, its successor took place on April 25-26 in High Level. This northern-most of Alberta chess tournaments gathered again a respectable pack of players, including Roy Yearwood from Calgary, last year's winners John Quiring and Ford Wong from Edmonton, Brian Goude and myself from Hinton, Alex Phimester from Peace River and a handful of talented local players. The "Stardust-Crestwood Formula" (the motel matching the entry fees of the players) again generated nice cash prizes. At \$225, first place was not as high as in the Hinton Foothills Classic (only 12 players attended, compared to 26 in Hinton), but still worth making a trip for. We hope that next year's event will attract also some players from Grande Prairie, Fort St. John and Dawson Creek, creating an even bigger prize fund.

As could be expected, Yearwood took first place with a perfect 4/4, while Quiring and Wong shared second place with 3. Following them were Phimester, Rajski, Goude, Danny McIntosh, and unrated Stan Fitler with 2.

In Round 2, Martin discovered that you "can't fool around with Stan." Fitler has the posture of a true frontiersman that could be misleading. He maintains that he has been playing chess in Northern Alberta since long before most of the other players were born, but this was his first-ever CFC-rated event. Stan is a player of the generation which still uses the French warning "Garde" when attacking the opponent's Queen. He is also one of those relentless players who plays chess between rounds (he must have played at least 20 on top of his regular tournament games) and, of course, on his cigarette breaks.

Another interesting new player was Ashraf Mostafa, who combined his efforts in the tournament with the duties of the Stardust chef, and still came up with a respectable 1½ points. Philip Friesen also collected 1½ after beginning the tournament with two long, tense battles against much-higher-rated opponents. Danny McIntosh, with whom I had played a few hundred games when I still lived in High Level, outplayed less experienced players, but lost to Goude and Quiring. Notwithstanding his slightly phlegmatic posture, Danny is a player full of passion. Last thing you would want is to be mated by him (which happened to Stan) — the manner he utters the word "Checkmate!"

*Reports on the Stardust Classic continue on p. 6.*

## Used to be U of A Open

by Ford Wong

The Maddog is back. Nigel Fullbrook brought his own 2-litre bottle of mad juice, warned everyone not to drink from it unless they wanted to get maddog disease, and then proceeded to maul and rip to pieces all of his opponents. With a 1½-point lead going into the last round, he decided that he didn't need to mangle anyone else and passed on playing in the last round. With the big dog gone, the remaining Master and 5 Experts moved in to contest the 2nd-place morsel which was torn into 3 pieces by Roy Yearwood, Dave Ottosen and a rusty Dave Gomboc. Top Under 2000 was taken by Aaron "no losing to" Lovi with a last round win. (Somehow, some people were not aware of Aaron's moniker.) 2nd under 2000 was split between Cor Dewindt and Kim Nguyen. The last round featured a mini battle of Alberta on Boards 1 and 2 which left nothing settled; Yearwood survived an Ottosen pawn lust to become a lady and Gomboc — Hughey ended in a BORING position.

Although this year's event was an improvement over last year's — 13 players instead of 10 — it seems that having a chess tournament on Mother's Day is not good. What else could explain this low turnout two years in a row? To make things interesting, the tournament featured 12 byes.

Thanks to everyone who came to play, especially the three Calgarians who each took home some money and to Chris Miller who was unable to enter on the second day.

### Gomboc — Fullbrook [B22]

1. e4 c5 2. c3 ♘f6 3. e5 ♘d5 4. d4 e6 5. ♘f3 b6 6. ♙d3 ♙b7 7. O-O ♘c6 8. ♚e1 h6 9. a3 g5 10. c4 ♘c7 11. d5 ed5 12. cd5 ♘d5 13. ♙c4 ♘c7 14. ♘c3 ♘e6 15. ♘e4 ♙e7 16. ♘d6 ♙d6 17. ed6 ♖f6 18. ♙d2 ♖b2 19. ♙e6 fe6 20. ♚c1 ♚g8 21. ♘g5 hg5 22. ♖h5 ♘d8 23. ♙g5 ♘c8 24. ♙e6 ♖h8 25. ♖f7 ♘d8 26. ♙d8 ♚g2 27. ♘f1 ♖h2 28. ♙h4 ♙c6 29. ♚c5 bc5 30. ♚e8 ♘b7 31. ♖b3 ♘a6 32. ♚a8 ♚g1 33. ♘e2 ♖e5 34. ♘d2 ♖d6 0-1.

### Fullbrook — Yearwood [B01]

1. e4 d5 2. ed5 ♘f6 3. d4 ♙g4 4. ♘f3 ♖d5 5. ♙e2 e6 6. h3 ♙h5 7. c4 ♖d8 8. ♘c3 ♙e7 9. ♙e3 ♘bd7 10. O-O O-O 11. ♖b3 ♖c8 12. ♚fd1 b6 13. ♚ac1 c5 14. d5 ♚d8 15. g4 ♙g6 16. ♘h4 e5 17. d6 ♙f8 18. ♘g6 hg6 19. ♙f3 ♚b8 20. g5 ♘e8 21. ♘b5 e4 22. ♙e4 ♘e5 23. ♙f4 ♖e6 24. ♖g3 ♘d6 25. ♙d5 ♘f5 26. ♙e6 ♘g3 27. fg3 1-0.

*See also Ottosen — Yearwood, p. 3.*

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#### Deadline for next issue — August 15

*Organizers:* Please send details of events, such as date, entry time, location, entry fee, format, and time controls to the *ACR* well in advance.

*Tournament Directors:* The CFC requires a rating report to be submitted within a month, but strongly urges submissions within 7 days. You owe it to the players to submit a report ASAP. Also, please support your Alberta newsletter by sending a written report to the *ACR*. (A different report than is sent to the CFC is much preferred.) In case you have difficulty obtaining games from players in your event, note that game scores are the property of tournament organizers, and prizes can be withheld until players submit their games.

Items for the *ACR* may be submitted in many ways: hand-delivered to the editors; emailed to [browng@uleth.ca](mailto:browng@uleth.ca) + [gomboc@cpsc.ucalgary.ca](mailto:gomboc@cpsc.ucalgary.ca); or sent to the ACA mailbox.

### Editorial

I still had a backlog of material since taking over as Editor from David in March, so this issue follows quickly on the heels of the last and comes packed with games from February to May. (I hope that the higher ratio of games to words in this issue suits everyone's tastes!) I managed to squeeze everything I had into this issue, even though that meant keeping those nice but space-consuming diagrams to a minimum. So we will start fresh again next issue.

The summer months are not the busiest of times for chess, so I am making a special plea for submissions for the next issue. I'm particularly hoping that participants in the Active Championship and the Battle of Alberta will annotate some games. I will start on the next issue as soon as I return from overseas August 13, so Battle-of-Alberta players be forewarned that I will need your games *toute suite!*

(I'm disappointed that, effectively, only one player from the Alberta Closed submitted annotated games for this issue. There's always a hew and cry from some Masters for a higher prize fund for the Closed, and for favourable prize distributions in other events; but if they can't even be bothered to share their expertise with the rest of the membership in this small way, then I can't feel much sympathy. You only ever get out what you put in, especially with volunteer organizations. I hope the Masters and strong Experts will bear this in mind next time they petition the ACA for perks....)

My term as VP ends in October, and I am presently inclined not to run for an ACA Board position again. Just since last August, I have: run the Junior Chess Club one night per week and helped organize another club in Lethbridge; directed 5 tournaments locally; directed three Active tournaments in Coleman; rounded up sponsorship from the *Dufferin Game Room Stores* and *Chapters Books*; edited two issues of the *ACR*; designed ACA scorebooks and had them printed; attended 4 day-long Board meetings; actively participated as a CFC Governor; organized several simultaneous exhibitions; worked a Casino; and miscellaneous other stuff. Meanwhile, I have played precisely zero regular, rated chess games, and I haven't looked seriously at a chess book. Especially now that I'm Editor of the *ACR* full time, I'm not prepared to carry such a load in the future.

Burnout results when too much of the burden falls upon too few people. Two of the ACA's greatest contributors in recent years, Walter Watson and John Quiring, are also cutting back on their organizational commitments. This will put the ACA in a terrible bind unless competent volunteers step up to the plate soon. *Don't wait to be asked — volunteer!* Ask if there is something you can do to help out.

Finally: TDs, please don't submit the same report or games to the *ACR* and *En Passant* — I won't use it if it's in *EP*. (☞ Look left ☞.)

— Grant A. Brown, D.Phil.

### Top Rated Albertans

*This list comprises the top-rated ACA members who live in Alberta*

#	Name	now	high
1.	Robert Gardner	2387	2387
2.	Gregory Huber	2373	2385
3.	Rob Hawkes	2362	2362
4.	Andrew Lapides	2335	*
5.	Nigel Fullbrook	2327	2350
6.	Nenad Ristic	2308	2365
7.	Robert South	2307	2328
8.	Dale Haessel	2297	2305
9.	Victor Maric	2275	*
10.	Fred South	2272	2300
11.	Roy Yearwood	2267	2286
12.	Jonathan Schaeffer	2238	2248
13.	Christopher Demers	2238	2238
14.	John Ferrar	2235	2314
15.	Arthur Odachowski	2216	2304
16.	Sardul Purewal	2215	2215
17.	Sean Perron	2210	2210
18.	Nandor Tot	2210	2210
19.	Ted Wilson	2205	2245
20.	Eugene Gibney	2199	*
21.	Warrick Walker	2191	2236
22.	Sasha Grumic	2151	2276
23.	David Ottosen	2148	2191
24.	Ante Zaradic	2145	2200
25.	Milan Rabljenovic	2145	2145
26.	Farzan Nazarian	2135	2161
27.	Grant Brown	2133	2133
28.	Dave Gomboc	2126	2144
29.	F. John Parrott	2121	2121
30.	Jim Daniluk	2117	2181
31.	Chris Kuczaj	2111	2155
32.	Zoltan Baunok	2110	2200
33.	Gordon Campbell	2099	2160
34.	Jim Monaghan	2090	2100
35.	Yngvi Bjornsson	2086	2095
36.	Zoran Radovic	2073	*
37.	Gerald Aspler	2072	2072
38.	Walter Watson	2071	2071
39.	Geoff Newton	2063	2105
40.	Virgilio Turingan	2055	2109
41.	Leo Danglapen	2051	2093
42.	Chris Fulker	2048	2100
43.	Paul Thibodeau	2041	2100
44.	Micah Hughey	2026	2026
45.	Walter Zwirner	2018	2034
46.	Alan Clark	2004	2026

denotes provisional rating \*

☞ Many thanks to Troy Vail at the CFC for compiling and emailing this list to me.

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## News from the Alberta Chess Association

by Walter Watson, President

"The Alberta Chess Association is a particularly well-run volunteer organization. No other provincial chess organization is as successful as the ACA...." This comment, contained in a CFC Governors' Letter, was made by a well-known CFC governor from another province. Past President Ford Wong and Treasurer John Quiring deserve much of the credit for this ACA success. Between them, they have set the framework within which the ACA operates. These thoughts were prompted by the ACA Casino on June 6-7. (See the report below. Thank you, volunteers!) Ford first obtained casino funding for the ACA, and still does most of the paperwork. He got us the money, but John keeps us from spending it all at once.

We do intend to spend some big money, though. The year 2005 is Alberta's centenary, and we hope to hold the Canadian Open in Alberta that year. We might also hold another major tournament that year in whichever of Edmonton or Calgary doesn't get the Open. At our next Board meeting we will also consider whether to hold another major tournament in Alberta in or around 2001. Any major tournament will require a large ACA investment, and lots of volunteer effort.

At the recent Board meeting, it was decided that the Board would not present a budget to the Annual General Meeting for advance approval. The feeling was that a great deal of thought must be put into balancing the interests competing for funding and it would be impractical for the AGM to give this matter sufficient attention in the time available between rounds at the Alberta Open. [I would add that a budget presented at the AGM for approval would have to be prepared by the out-going Board, and if approved would bind the hands of the in-coming

Board for the subsequent year. I suggest the only practical approach is for members to elect to the Board persons whom they trust to execute their wishes in the planning and budgeting process — or, of course, stand for election to the Board themselves. -gb. (V-P)]

The Board has made changes to and clarifications of the Alberta Closed rules again: The deadline for receiving entries, in writing, is now on or before the Friday three weeks before Good Friday. The rating list to be used to select players qualifying by rating will be the one most current at the end of the day of the entry deadline. If two or more players who might qualify for the last spot(s) from the rating list have the same rating, entry will go to the player(s) with the most participation points, and if that is not decisive then by the toss of a coin. Participation points are awarded for any regular, ACA-sponsored tournament completed or directed between March 1 of the year preceding the Closed until the end of February of the current year. Participation points are *not* awarded for tournaments outside of Alberta, active or speed tournaments, and the Closed itself. A total of 2½ participation points is still required to qualify for the Closed. Second-place finishers from the Edmonton and Calgary Closed tournaments no longer gain a spot to the Alberta Closed if the first-place finisher cannot attend. The first tie-break for qualifying events is now the Sonnenborn-Berger system, followed by the Bucholtz system, and cumulative score. (Thanks to Arthur Odachowski for his very helpful page of suggestions for possible rule changes.)

The ACA is again guaranteeing a \$1,000 prize fund for the Alberta Open, with 75% to go toward Open prizes. I ask ACA members to support the Edmonton and Calgary Active tournaments on July 11. These tournaments, from which the top four finishers qualify for the Alberta Active Closed Championship, are new to the schedule this year. [See details on the back page of this issue.]

## ACA CASINO

The fourth ACA Casino was held at the Cash Casino in Calgary, June 6 and 7. The following volunteers deserve medals: Walter Watson, John Quiring, Steve Hansen, Grant Brown, Len Steele, Barney Fegyverneki, Peter Alderton, Gordon Campbell, Dave Gomboc, Norm Luyben, John Ferrar, Micah Hughey, Tom McKay, Andrew Beingessner, Paul Usselman, Don MacFarlane, Alan Clark, Scott Beesley, Rod Weis, Nick Podochak, Bob South and Tedge Davies. However, we have no medals, so the above will be receiving from Walter one or more of the following Cash Casino promotional items: a deck of cards; a hat; a key ring; the skin of a white rat (deceased.) I have no explanation for this last item, other than that it was in the box with the hats. Owing to the very large amount of sitting being done by the volunteers, Len Steele moved that the casino purchase some promotional hemorrhoid cream. I seconded this motion.

The first day was incredibly exciting, with several minutes of work being done, followed by many hours of speed chess. Movies watched included *Courage Under Fire*, and *Forrest Gump*. Several lines in the *Gump* flick were later directed toward Dr. Grant Brown, Oxford educated Philosophy Professor, when he locked his keys in his running car at 3:15 a.m. Sunday morning. Several wags in the crowd were heard to remark in thick southern drawls, "Stupid is as stupid does," and "Hey, Grant, you will address me as Captain Dan." SARCASM ALERT #1: It is expected that Dr. Brown will receive no more ribbing related to this incident.

Grant did not have the most entertaining morning, however. That dubious honor goes to Ford and John. They got to their hotel at 4:00 a.m., only to discover that the desk clerk had rented their room! The fact that they had guaranteed the room with a credit card and had a confirmation number did not seem to impress the clerk. Amazingly, they did not chop, squeeze or bite this person. After driving around the city for an hour they at last located a vacancy at the Marriot downtown.

A big thanks must also go out to the Casino for providing the promotional items, and to Casino Advisors Jodi, Sandra and Carol, without whom we would all be in jail. Also, a huge thanks to the ever-modest Walter Watson, who organized the volunteers, and to Ford and John for keeping things organized and on track.

On both days the volunteers thought that handling reams of \$100 and \$1,000 dollar bills was kind of cool, and were duly impressed with the enormous quantities of cash floating around. But where does this money come from? SARCASM ALERT #2: It turns out that the ACA is in large part funded by girl scouts and salt-of-the-earth type Bible salesmen dropping a few nickles at the card tables before rushing off to a food bank to deliver canned goods.

The girl scouts came through to the tune of about \$5,300 on Saturday, and really went nuts Sunday when we made over \$19,000. This money will get pooled with the take from other charities, and will be doled out in the next few months. Our share should be somewhere around \$20,000. Subtracting Dave Gomboc's food bill, we should still make at least a thousand bucks from this event.

All the volunteers were exceptional, and the Advisors said that they have never worked with such a good group of people. Chess people follow directions extremely well; perhaps too well. For example, Bob South was the official money box opener in the countroom, while Alan Clark operated the automatic money counter. When the counter started getting jammed, the countroom Advisor said to spread the \$20s out and feed them at a more acute angle. When she looked up to check on the countroom progress, she saw that Bob had taken a gazzillion dollars of neatly stacked \$20s and spread them out over the table at the precise acute angle she had specified! Now, to get them into the machine.... She was only surprised that all volunteers in their 20s were not also spread out on the table at this angle.

— Steve Hansen

Ottosen — Yearwood [E63], UA Open: 1. ♖f3 ♗f6 2. c4 g6 3. ♘c3 ♙g7 4. g3 O-O 5. ♙g2 d6 6. O-O ♘c6 7. d4 a6 8. h3 ♞b8 9. ♙e3 ♖h8 10. ♞c1 ♙d7 11. ♖h2 ♗g8 12. d5 ♘a5 13. c5 e5 14. cd6 cd6 15. ♗e4 f5 16. ♙g5 ♞b6 17. ♙e3 ♞b2 18. ♗d6 ♗f6 19. ♞d2 ♞d2 20. ♙d2 b6 21. ♗e5 ♙a4 22. ♙b4 ♖g8 23. ♗dc4 ♗c4 24. ♗c4 ♞fe8 25. ♙d6 ♞b7 26. ♙f4 ♞e2 27. d6 ♗e4 8. ♙e3 ♞a2 29. ♗b6 ♙c2 30. d7 ♙f6 31. ♗d5 ♙d8 32. ♙b6 ♞d7 33. ♗b4 ♞b2 ½-½.

## Words Books "Monday Nite May Madness #1"

by Roy Yearwood

The first in a series of weekly Monday night speed tournaments made its inauspicious debut May 4th. Six hungry chess players turned out to assuage their gnawing desire for more chess activity. Wiley Warrick Walker and Rapid Roy Yearwood tied for first place with 8/10 in the double-round-robin event and split \$75. Arthur "I'm not seeing anything today" Odachowski took third-prize money of \$15 with 6½. Picking up \$10 in fourth-place cash was Slippery "I'll draw with you Masters" Steve Sauve at 5½. Steve drew with Rompin' Rapid Roy in his last-round game to deprive him of clear first, which would have netted a cool \$50. Kickin' Kim Nguyen and Jumpin' Jan Kralovic both had a tough time of it, finishing with 1 point each. They received free entry into the next week's event. Good pickin's for a mere 7 bucks entry fee!

Please see the reports on the April and May Words Books Active tournaments by Tedge Davies and Steve Hansen on pages 41 and 43 of EP #150.

## Calgary Chess Club Grand Prix Series

by Walter Watson

The fifth and last Grand Prix speed tourney was rife with intrigue. Players schemed how to obtain a tactical advantage — but not on the chessboard. Instead, they wondered whether or not to enter, and whether entering would help or harm their opponents' standing. When the tournament finally got started, Bob South proved a most impressive winner. He gave up draws only to brother Fred and to Warrick Walker in posting a 10/11 score. He was followed by Roy Yearwood and Warrick with 8½ and welcome returnee Fred South with 7½. Arthur Odachowski surprisingly lost 5 games in a row and tied with consistently improving Alan Clark at 6.

Bob scored just enough to tie for first through third places in the overall standings with speed demons Odie and Warrick, each with 98½ points over their best four out of five tournaments. Steady Gordon Campbell won 4th prize with 86. The other top scorers were Jim Daniluk 79, Art Milne 78, Chris Kuczaj 76½, Steve Sauve 73, and Alan Clark 70.

Please see Alan Gomes's report on the Calgary Chess Club March Open in EP #150, pages 41-2.

## Third Coleman Active

by Grant Brown

The third Coleman Active again attracted 10 players, although this time the TD had to be pressed out of semi-retirement to make up the even number. This turn-out was disappointing after it looked earlier in the week as though perhaps 20 players might appear. Nevertheless, each player got to play six games. Grant Brown took first place with a perfect score, although in fairness it must be noted that Alan Clark took the upper hand into an ending and spurned a draw offer, only to end up losing in mutual time pressure. Chris Vermette and Alan Clark, both of Calgary, placed second and third with 5 and 4 points respectively. The local heroes this time were Clair Ellison and newcomer Gary Littlewood with 3 points each. Junior Nicholas Wynder, another newcomer, earned a creditable 2 wins.

Card — Brown

1. d4 d5 2. ♘f3 c6 3. e3 ♗g4 4. ♘bd2 e6 5. c4 ♘f6 6. b3 ♘bd7 7. ♗b2 ♗e7 8. ♗e2 O-O 9. O-O ♘e4 10. ♘e4 de4 11. ♘e5 ♘e5 12. ♗g4 ♘g4 13. ♗g4 f5 14. ♗g3 ♗d6 15. f4 ♗f6 16. ♗h4 ♗e7 17. ♗f2 ♗h6 18. ♗fd1 g5 19. ♗g3 ♗f7 20. c5 gf4 21. ♗f4 ♗g5 22. ♗f2 ♗c7 23. h3 ♗g8 24. g4 ♗h3 25. ♗c1 ♗g3 26. ♗h1 ♗g6 0-1.

## Victoria Day

by David Ottosen

What did you do on your long weekend? Some Albertans went far afield in search of chess tournaments!

Chris Kuczaj and I played in the Open Section of the Keres Memorial in Vancouver, featuring Kevin Spraggett, Alexandre Lesiege, and Yan Teplitsky (arguably Canada's top three players). Chris scored a solid 4/7 (+3 -2 =2 if I recall correctly), while I scored a difficult 3½/7 (+3 -3 =1). Of course, I can be happy with the following result:

Teplitsky(IM) — Ottosen

1. ♘f3 d5 2. c4 c6 3. e3 ♘f6 4. ♘c3 e6 5. d4 ♘bd7 6. ♗c2 ♗d6 7. ♗e2 O-O 8. O-O ♗e8 9. ♗d1 ♗e7 10. b3 a6 11. ♗b2 b5 12. e4 de4 13. ♘e4 ♘e4 14. ♗e4 ♗b7 15. ♗d3 ♘f8 16. c5 ♗c7 17. ♗e1 ♗ad8 18. ♗ad1 ♘g6 19. g3 ♗d5 20. ♗c2 e5 21. ♗c2 ♗f6 22. ♗e4 ♗dd8 23. de5 ♗e7 24. ♗d8 ♗d8 25. e6 ♘f8 26. ef7 ♗f7 27. ♘e5 ♗h5 28. ♗f3 ♗h6 29. ♘g4 ♗g6 30. ♗e7 ♗d7 31. ♗g7 ♗e7 32. ♗f6 ♗e6 33. ♗f5 h5 34. ♗e4 0-1

Meanwhile, in Toronto, Rob Gardner, Dale Haessel, and Roy Yearwood were testing their luck in the Toronto International. In the Open Section, the Rocket scored an impressive 5/9, including wins over IM Livshits, FM Linskiy, and FM Friedman. Dale got off to a good start with a draw against GM Shamkovich, and then ran into some tough opposition to finish at 4/9. In the Under 2300 section, Roy was at or near the top for the majority of the tournament, before a sixth round loss left him at 4½/7, good for sixth place in a field of 38.

And what were you doing on the weekend...?

Unfortunately, no report from the Edmonton Chess Club was filed for this issue. The Editor encourages the submission of brief Club reports from any and all clubs in Alberta.

## My Return to Competitive Chess

by R.J. Grandy

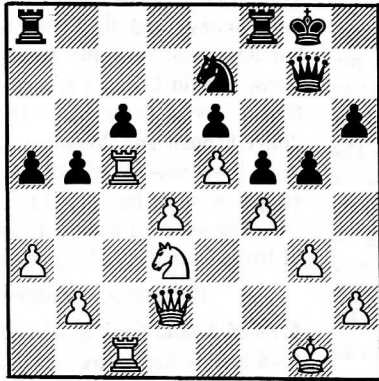
The Calgary Chess Club Team Chess Championship marked the end of my 14-year absence from competitive chess. After drawing my game in Round 1, I lost the next three games in succession. Now, in Round 5, I would face the highest-rated opponent of any of my games. With only a draw to show for 4 games, I was anxious to salvage something from this tournament.

Grandy — Borowski

1. e4 c5 2. ♗c4 e6 3. ♘f3 [This move serves a two-fold purpose: preparing for d2-d4, and controlling g5 and h4.] b6 4. d4 ♘f6 [Black can't respond with 4...cd4 since either 5. ♘d4 or 5. ♗d4 would nail down the centre for White.] 5. e5! ♘g8 6. ♗g5 ♘e7? [After delaying development and losing tempi with the forced retreat of this ♘ a move earlier, Ted further impedes his own development by blocking in the ♗/f8. Instead, he should parry the threat to his ♗ with 6...f6, 6...♗e7, or even 6...♗c7.] 7. dc5 bc5 [There are now gaping holes in Black's ♗-side, with the c-♗ highly vulnerable because of the ♘/e7.] 8. ♘c3 g6? 9. ♗f6 ♗g8 10. ♘g5 [Pity the humble ♗/h7! If it moves, either the ♗-side is extended or the ♗/f8 is dead!] ♗g7 11. ♘ce4! [Reinforcing both the ♗ and the ♘, but there's something else afoot....] ♗a5 12. c3 ♗b7 13. ♘d6! ♘d8 14. ♘b7 ♘c8 15. ♘a5 [Ouch! Now that's sticking the fork where it hurts.] ♘f5 16. ♘h7 ♗h8 17. ♗g7 ♗h7 18. ♗f6 [In the space of only 5 moves, Black lost both ♗s, the ♗, a ♗, and his castling option, while White lost only a ♘!] a6 19. ♗d3 ♘h6 20. ♘c4 ♗a7 21. ♘d6 ♘c7 22. ♘e8 [I must not allow Black to force a draw by repetition.] ♘c8 23. ♗e4 [Taking away the b7 and a8 squares from the Black ♗.] a5 24. ♗g5 ♘g8 25. ♗b3 ♗h5 26. ♘d6 ♘c7 27. ♘f7 ♘c6 28. ♗d8 ♘c8 29. ♗c6! ♗f5 30. ♘d6 ♘d8 31. ♘f5 1-0. Rapid development and careful analysis made the difference in this game. Both sides can gain valuable lessons for future play.

**Fullbrook — Gardner [B22]**

1. e4 c5 2. c3 ♟f6 3. e5 ♟d5 4. d4 cd4 5. ♟f3 e6 6. cd4 b6 7. ♟g5 ♟e7 8. ♟e7 ♟e7 9. ♟bd2 O-O 10. ♟c1 ♟f4 11. g3 ♟d5 12. a3 ♟b7 13. ♟g2 f5 14. O-O b5 15. ♟b3 a5 16. ♟c5 ♟c6 17. ♟e1 ♟a6 18. ♟d3 ♟c5 19. ♟c5 g5 20. ♟d2 ♟g7 21. ♟fc1 ♟e7 22. f4 h6 23. ♟c6 dc6



24. ♟c6 ♟c6 25. ♟c6 ♟e8 26. ♟c5 ♟f7 27. d5 gf4 28. ♟f4 ♟g5 29. ♟e6 ♟f4 30. gf4 ♟ac8 31. ♟d4 ♟c6 32. dc6 ♟d8 33. ♟b5 ♟d1 34. ♟f2 ♟c1 35. ♟d4 ♟e8 36. b4 a4 37. b5 ♟c4 38. b6 ♟d8 39. ♟e3 ♟c3 40. ♟d2 ♟a3 41. c7 ♟d7 42. e6 1-0.

**Yearwood — Hansen [B00]**

1. e4 d5 2. ed5 ♟f6 3. ♟b5 ♟d7 4. ♟d7 ♟d7 5. ♟f3 ♟d5 6. d4 e6 7. O-O ♟e7 8. c4 ♟b6 9. ♟e5 ♟d8 10. ♟f3 O-O 11. ♟b7 ♟d4 12. ♟f3 ♟c4 13. ♟e3 ♟c6 14. ♟c6 ♟c6 15. ♟c1 ♟f6 16. ♟c6 ♟b2 17. ♟d4 ♟d8 18. ♟d2 ♟d4 19. ♟c1 ♟f6 20. ♟c7 ♟c8 21. g3 ♟d8 22. ♟c3 ♟c3 23. ♟c3 ♟d5 24. ♟c4 1/2-1/2.

**Odachowski — Ristovic [D36]**

1. d4 d5 2. c4 e6 3. cd5 ed5 4. ♟c3 ♟f6 5. ♟g5 ♟d7 6. e3 c6 7. ♟d3 ♟e7 8. ♟c2 O-O 9. ♟e2 ♟e8 10. O-O ♟f8 11. f3 g6 12. ♟ad1 ♟e6 13. ♟h4 ♟g7 14. ♟h1 ♟f5 15. ♟f2 ♟h6 16. ♟g1 ♟h5 17. ♟b1 ♟g5 18. ♟d1 ♟g7 19. b4 a6 20. a4 ♟d7 21. e4 de4 22. fe4 ♟c8 23. ♟e3 ♟g4 24. ♟g4 ♟g4 25. ♟g3 ♟c6 26. e5 ♟d5 27. ♟e4 ♟e4 28. ♟e4 ♟e6 29. ♟bd1 ♟c7 30. ♟f3 ♟d7 31. ♟c4 ♟g7 32. h3 f5 33. ef6 ♟f6 34. ♟c2 ♟g5 35. ♟f4 ♟e6 36. ♟f3 ♟g5 1/2-1/2.

**Walker — Clark [B21]**

1. e4 c5 2. d4 cd4 3. c3 dc3 4. ♟c3 d6 5. ♟f3 ♟f6 6. ♟c4 e6 7. O-O ♟e7 8. ♟e2 a6 9. ♟d1 ♟c7 10. ♟f4 b5 11. ♟b3 O-O 12. ♟c1 ♟b6 13. e5 de5 14. ♟e5 ♟bd7 15. ♟g3 ♟b7 16. ♟d4 ♟c5 17. ♟c2 ♟c8 18. a3 ♟d8 19. b4 ♟cd7 20. ♟b3 ♟f8 21. ♟f5 ♟g6 22. ♟e7 ♟e7 23. ♟e5 ♟g6 24. ♟d8 ♟d8 25. ♟d1 ♟b6 26. ♟f6 gf6 27. ♟e4 ♟e4 28. ♟e4 ♟g7 29. g3 ♟c6 30. ♟c6 ♟c6 31. ♟d7 ♟e5 32. ♟a7 ♟g6 33. f4 ♟f3 34. ♟g2 ♟d2 35. ♟d1 ♟c4 36. ♟f3 ♟d6 37. ♟b7 ♟a3 38. ♟a6 ♟c2 39. ♟b5 ♟b4 40. ♟e8 ♟d2 41. ♟h3 ♟d3 42. ♟f7 ♟f5 43. ♟a4 ♟f2 44. ♟h4 ♟e4 45. h3 e5 46. ♟h5 ♟d4 47. ♟d4 ed4 48. ♟e2 ♟c5 49. ♟h5 d3 50. ♟d1 0-1.

**Gardner — Ficko [C05]**

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. ♟d2 ♟f6 4. e5 ♟d7 5. f4 c5 6. c3 ♟c6 7. ♟d3 ♟b6 8. g3 cd4 9. cd4 ♟b4 10. ♟f2 g5 11. fg5 ♟de5 12. ♟g2 ♟c4 13. ♟c4 dc4 14. ♟e2 ♟d7 15. ♟c2 ♟c8 16. ♟f1 O-O 17. ♟e3 e5 18. ♟g1 ♟d4 19. ♟d4 ed4 20. ♟d4 ♟c6 21. ♟g1 ♟h3 22. ♟f2 ♟d6 23. ♟c3 b5 24. ♟f6 ♟c7 25. ♟h6 f5 26. ♟h3 ♟c5 27. ♟c5 ♟c5 28. ♟f2 1-0.

**Canadian Chess Challenge**

by Glen Booth

The tenth annual Canadian Chess Challenge - Grade Championship - was held in Winnipeg on the May long weekend. This tournament featured 120 kids, with each province sending reps from Grades 1 — 12. Each competitor played 9 games at active time controls, one against each of his/her counterparts from the other 9 provinces. The Alberta team placed fourth, finishing with 58/108, behind Ontario, Quebec and B.C.

Individual results were as follows:

Mitchell Ng (Edmonton), Grade 1	4
Nigel Sharp (Red Deer), Grade 2	5½
Shandy Booth (Calgary), Grade 3	6
Anastasia Kazakevich (Edmonton), Grade 4	6
Stephen Hazeltine (Airdrie), Grade 5	6
Zhouran Li (Edmonton), Grade 6	6
Richard Canal (Calgary), Grade 7	2½
Jeff Huang (Calgary), Grade 8	5½
Chris Card (Lethbridge), Grade 9	4
Hans Olson (Camrose), Grade 10	6
Doug Wu (Edmonton), Grade 11	4½
Ali Ahmad (Edmonton), Grade 12	3

We had fairly consistent results with 5 team members scoring 6/9. Unfortunately, this only netted us one place on the podium — Zhouran took third in Grade 6. Shandy was leading Grade 3 until the second-last round when he ran into the recently-immigrated U10 Ukrainian champion who now resides in B.C. After losing a close game, he still had a shot for second but blundered in his final game to fall into fourth.

The team performance was down from last year when we scored 62 (a record) and netted 6 podium finishes, including a first place. Nigel was not on his game (more interested in running these days according to his dad) and Doug did not do quite as well as he usually does.

It was a great tournament, however: 120 kids playing serious chess for two straight days! The quality of competition is increasing every year. The Winnipeg organizers did a great job — the tournament was played in the "Great Hall" on the University of Manitoba campus. Thanks also to Neil Sharp for acting as Team Captain.

**We negotiated the right to hold the championship in Calgary in the year 2000. We're looking forward to putting on a really good show!**

**Ristovic — Fullbrook [A62]**

1. d4 ♟f6 2. c4 c5 3. d5 e6 4. ♟c3 ed5 5. cd5 d6 6. g3 g6 7. ♟g2 ♟g7 8. ♟f3 O-O 9. O-O ♟e8 10. ♟d2 b6 11. ♟c4 ♟a6 12. ♟d3 ♟c4 13. ♟c4 ♟bd7 14. h3 a6 15. a4 ♟c7 16. f4 ♟h5 17. ♟h2 b5 18. ab5 ♟b6 19. ♟d3 c4 20. ♟f3 ♟c3 21. bc3 ab5 22. ♟a8 Ra8 23. f5 ♟g7 24. fg6 hg6 25. e4 ♟a2 26. ♟e3 ♟a4 27. ♟d4 ♟e7 28. ♟f4 ♟c2 29. ♟h6 ♟f8 30. ♟f4 ♟c3 31. ♟h4 f6 32. ♟g6 ♟f7 33. ♟h8 1-0.

**Odachowski — Yearwood [A16]**

1. c4 ♟f6 2. g3 g6 3. ♟g2 ♟g7 4. ♟c3 d6 5. e4 O-O 6. ♟e2 ♟c6 7. O-O ♟b8 8. d3 a6 9. a3 b5 10. cb5 a5 11. b4 ♟d7 12. ♟b2 ♟de5 13. h3 f5 14. f4 ♟f7 15. ef5 ♟d4 16. fg6 hg6 17. ♟d4 ♟d4 18. ♟h2 e5 19. fe5 de5 20. ♟e4 ♟g7 21. ♟d2 ♟h8 22. ♟g2 ♟h3 23. ♟h3 ♟h8 24. ♟f7 ♟f7 25. ♟f1 ♟g7 26. ♟g2 ♟g4 27. ♟d1 ♟b2 28. ♟b2 ♟h5 29. ♟d1 ♟d1 30. g4 ♟g4 31. ♟g4 ♟g4 32. ♟g4 ♟d8 33. ♟d1 ♟a8 34. ♟a1 ♟d8 35. ♟e2 e4 36. ♟d1 ♟f8 37. ♟g3 ♟a8 38. ♟a1 ed3 39. ♟d3 c6 40. ♟f4 ♟f6 41. ♟c1 g5 42. ♟g4 ♟a6 43. ♟c5 ♟e7 44. ♟c3 ♟f6 45. ♟e4 ♟e7 46. ♟g5 ♟d7 47. ♟f5 ♟d6 48. ♟c6 ♟c6 49. ♟c6 ♟c6 50. ♟e6 1-0.

**Yearwood — Gardner [B23]**

1. e4 c5 2. ♟c3 ♟c6 3. f4 g6 4. ♟f3 ♟g7 5. ♟b5 a6 6. ♟c6 bc6 7. d3 ♟b8 8. O-O d6 9. ♟e1 ♟b6 10. ♟h1 ♟b7 11. b3 h6 12. ♟b2 ♟h7 13. e5 ♟e6 14. ♟e4 c4 15. ♟d4 c5 16. ♟g1 cd3 17. c4 ♟c7 18. ♟d1 de5 19. fe5 ♟f5 20. ♟d3 f6 21. ♟d5 ♟e4 22. ♟e4 f5 23. ♟d3 ♟f7 24. ♟d2 e6 25. ♟c5 ♟c5 26. ♟e4 ♟e5 27. ♟d7 ♟e7 28. ♟c5 ♟c7 29. ♟d3 ♟h2 30. ♟d6 ♟d6 31. ♟d6 ♟f8 32. ♟e1 ♟d7 33. ♟d4 ♟g8 34. c5 ♟e7 35. b4 ♟c6 36. ♟c4 ♟d5 37. ♟a6 ♟d2 38. ♟e2 ♟b4 39. ♟e5 ♟h4 40. ♟g1 ♟f6 41. ♟e3 e5 42. ♟b1 ♟g7 43. ♟b8 ♟e6 44. a4 ♟f6 45. a5 ♟a2 46. ♟c3 ♟g4 47. ♟e1 ♟d5 48. ♟c8 ♟d4 49. ♟h1 ♟f4 50. g3 ♟f3 51. ♟g1 ♟e3 52. ♟f2 0-1.

**Clark — Fullbrook [B76]**

1. e4 c5 2. ♟f3 d6 3. d4 cd4 4. ♟d4 ♟f6 5. ♟c3 g6 6. ♟e3 ♟g7 7. f3 O-O 8. ♟d2 ♟c6 9. O-O-O d5 10. ♟c6 bc6 11. ed5 cd5 12. ♟c4 e6 13. ♟h6 dc4 14. ♟d8 ♟h6 15. ♟b1 ♟d8 16. ♟d8 ♟g7 17. ♟b5 ♟b7 0-1.

*! Please note the changes to the Alberta Closed rules on page 3 !*

reminds one of a sword master, delivering the final throw through his opponent's chest. Beware!

Keith Martin was distracted by the TD duties and not quite satisfied with his performance. Robin Hinton, the youngest player, showed interesting, attacking chess, but eventually blundered in almost every game, due to the lack of regular play. Next year will be better, Robin.

As for myself my aspirations for a better result were halted by Yearwood and Wong. There are similarities in these games, at least from a psychological point of view, so I allow myself to annotate both games.

#### Rajski — Yearwood

1. d4 ♘f6 2. c4 g6 3. ♘c3 ♙g7 4. e4 d6 5. f3 [Not an expert in chess openings, I choose the Sämisch System hoping to achieve a reliable position.] O-O 6. ♙d3 ♘c6 7. ♘ge2 e5 8. ♙e3 ♘h5 [In response to my slightly passive development, Roy reaches for more aggressive measures. Now a few unpleasant things can happen, such as taking on d4, followed by ...♘f4 or ...♙h4. Black also prepares f7-f5.] 9. ♘d5 [This is probably not the best reaction to Black's threats, 9. de5 being preferable. However, I concluded at this point that Roy's chess erudition most likely exceeds my knowledge of this opening by a good number of moves; consequently, at the price of a ♘ I take the game to less known, more concrete operations.] ♘d4 10. ♙d2?! [10. ♘d4 ed4 11. ♙f2 c5 would lead to a very powerful center for Black.] c6 11. ♘b4 ♙h4 12. ♙f2 ♙e7 13. ♘c2 ♘c2 [I was more afraid of 13...♘e2, followed by 14...♘f4.] 14. ♙c2 ♙e6 15. b3 d5 16. cd5 cd5 17. ed5 ♙fd8 18. ♘c3 [I don't really hope to defend my ♘/d5, but rather, according to Nimzowitsch's principles, start to play for control of e4 to reduce the Black ♘'s mobility.] ♘f4 19. O-O ♘d5 20. ♘d5 ♙d5 21. ♙e3 ♙ac8 22. ♙ac1 b6 23. ♙e4 ♙b7 [Who will control e4?] 24. ♙fd1 ♙e4 25. fe4 ♙c1 26. ♙c1 ♙d4 27. ♙h3 [In a time scramble I try to complicate.] ♙d7?! [It seems to be Roy's favorite pattern in games with me — to give a ♙ for a minor piece and a passed ♘.] 28. ♙d4 ♙d4 29. ♙f1 ♙e4 [He controls e4 after all.] 30. ♙c8 ♙f8 [Despite the hanging flag, I have made it through the time control. I now have another hour to finish the game, plenty of time. Sure, he has 2 ♘s, including a passed monster on e5, for the exchange and my ♙ is exposed — but the way to a win might be long and painful. Activating his ♙ might not be that easy. So I have many choices here. I can try to exchange ♙s with 31. ♙f3 ♙f3 32. gf3, and the f-♘ reduces the mobility of Black's ♘s. If 31...♙b1 32. ♙f2 ♙a2 33. ♙g3, followed by 34. ♙c7 could be quite unpleasant for Black. The other option is 31. ♙c3 reducing the mobility of the Black's ♙ and preparing to return the exchange for a ♘ if Black manages to develop by ...♙c5. So what do I do with this

multitude of time and choices?...] 31. ♙h6?? ♙f5 0-1.

#### Wong — Rajski

1. d4 ♘f6 2. c4 g6 3. ♘c3 d5 4. cd5 ♘d5 5. e4 ♘c3 6. bc3 ♙g7 7. ♙c4 O-O 8. ♘e2 c5 [Ford and I seem to belong to a generation of players who like to follow classical lines. All of the above has been seen hundreds of times. White's last move allows him to avoid the pin with ...Bg4. Black, on the other hand, tries to undermine White's powerful ♘-centre, reduce its mobility, and influence it with the ♙s. The ideas are clear and well researched. This is more gentlemen-style chess than aggressively looking for the kill right from the beginning. It might not be as effective, but it is pleasant to play this way. That is why I always enjoy playing Ford.] 9. O-O ♘c6 10. ♙e3 cd4 11. cd4 ♙a5?! [Forcing the ♙ to a less-active position.] 12. ♙d3 b6 13. ♙c1 ♙b7 [Let's try to summarize the results of the opening. White has a powerful, well-supported ♘-centre, but an isolated ♘/a2. Black's ♙a5 could be slightly away from future action, but otherwise his position is solid and without weaknesses. White's control of the c-file could be neutralized shortly. That is why I consider this position to be even.] 14. f4 [I have doubts about this move. At the board I was more afraid of 14. Qa4, which would take d7 away from my ♙ and thus make it more difficult to complete my development. Another alternative would be 14. Qd2, playing for control of the c-file. I understand that Ford's choice was dictated by the tournament situation: only a win would give either of us a shot at second place.] ♙d7 15. f5 ♙ac8 16. fg6 hg6 17. ♙f2 [Again a dubious move, which gives me control of the c-file.] ♙c1 18. ♙c1 ♙c8 19. ♙a3?! [Other moves by the ♙ would allow ...♘c4. Still, as David Ottosen commented in one of his games, "If he has to play this kind of move, I must be winning."] ♙f8 20. ♘g3 e5 21. ♙b2 ed4 22. ♙g5! [On 22. ♙d4 ♙d8 would win either the ♙/d4 or the ♙/d3. However, 22. ♙d2 was possible. I give Ford the exclamation mark for complicating the situation in my time trouble — maybe 5 minutes for next 8 moves — which eventually worked. I considered my position probably won by this moment, but see what I managed to do with it during this five minutes.] ♘c4 23. ♙e2 ♘e5 24. ♙f6! [Creating mating threats.] ♘d3? [It was better to re-establish control of the dark squares with 24...Bg7.] 25. ♙d3 ♙g7 26. e5! ♙c3 27. ♙d2 ♙e3 [Gotta play something.] 28. ♘f1 ♙c3 29. ♙f4 ♙c4? 30. ♙h4 [Now I am in a real trouble.] ♙d5 [Woah, I have made through the time control... Maybe it is not lost after all.] 31. ♙g7 [I can't even take this nasty ♙, because of 32. ♙h6 and 33. ♙h7#. But again I have one hour to finish my game. Surely I can think of something. Maybe 31...♙g2 32. ♙g2 ♙g2 33. ♙g2? ♙g7... Not likely, but surely worth trying. Instead...] d3 32. ♙h8! 1-0. [Mate is unavoidable.]

## Memories of Stardust

A second report on the Stardust Classic was submitted by Alex Phimester, from which I extract the following.

It was about 9:45 p.m. when the infamous chessmobile pulled into Peace River for a pit stop. Being in the company of John Quiring, Ford Wong, and Roy Yearwood was a real honour (employing the Huber/Sharp theory!). Keith Martin brought his son, thinking Piotr Rajski would bring his. Unfortunately, this didn't happen and Jonathan graciously bowed out. Two newcomers joined the field, which ranged in rating from 1383 to 2253.

The upset of Round 1 involved the defeat of Brian Goode (1900) by myself —

#### Phimester — Goode [C45]

1. e4 e5 2. ♘f3 ♘c6 3. d4 ed4 4. ♘d4 ♘f6 5. ♘c6 bc6 6. ♘c3 ♙b4 7. ♙d2? ♙e7 8.f3 O-O 9. a3 ♙c3 10. ♙c3 ♘e4 11. fe4 ♙h4? [More logical is 11...♙e4 and 12...♙e8.] 12. ♘d2 ♙f4 13. ♙e1 ♙h4 14. ♘d2 ♙f4 15. ♙e1 ♙e8 16. ♙d3 d5 17. ♙f1 ♙h4 18. g3 [Sacking the ♘ to get my ♙ into play.] ♙h2 19. ♙f3 f5? [Too aggressive. 19...f6 is better.] 20. ♙h1 de4? [Necessary was 20...fe4. Now White punishes Black for his aggressiveness.] 21. ♙c4 ♙h8 22. ♙g7 ♙g7 23. ♙c3 1-0. One sacrificial combination nets White a class-A scalp. Where is that Roy Yearwood? Bring him on, he's got nothing! In all seriousness, this win improves my record against A-class players to 2/5.

Saturday night I lay awake in my bed for 2 hours contemplating what to open with against Keith, who was now familiar with my Scotch (opening, that is!). Even 5 minutes before the game, I was still undecided. The winner of our match would be assured of some cash...

#### Phimester — Martin [C45]

1. e4 e5 2. ♘f3 ♘c6 3. d4 ed4 4. ♘d4 ♘d4 5. ♙d4 d6 6. ♘c3 ♙e7? [I don't have any objections to free ♘s.] 7. ♙g7 ♙f6 8. ♙g3 ♘e7 9. ♙d2 ♙g8 10. ♙e3 ♙e6 11. g3 c6 12. b3?! [This could lead to complications after 12...d5. E.g. (a) 13. e5 ♙g5 14. f4 d4 15. ♙d3 dc3 16. ♙c3 ♙d5; or (b) 13. ed5 ♙d5 14. ♘d5 ♙d5. Fortunately, Keith didn't notice this.] ♘c8 13. ♙g2 ♘b6 14. O-O-O ♙e7 15. ♙he1 O-O-O 16. ♘e2 ♙de8 17. ♙c3 ♙c3 18. ♘c3 [Now my pieces are active, and I'm feeling good about my chances. Also, Black has only 20 more minutes to reach move 30.] ♘b8 19. ♘b2 d5 20. ♙f4 ♙a8 21. ed5 ♙g4 22. ♙e6 ♙e6 23. de6 ♙f4 24. gf4 ♙e6?? 25. ♙d8# 1-0.

This win gave me 2/4 for the tournament and pulled my rating over the ever-elusive 1400 mark. Brian beat Danny, which meant there was a 3-way tie for the U1600 prize — a remarkable \$57 each!

In the end, the chessmobile headed south with 80% of the cash. I would like to say thank you to John for the transportation, and to Keith for the accommodation. This was an experience I'll never forget.

This issue concludes with some games from events reported upon last issue: *The March of Kings*; the ICCL; and, saving the best 'til last, the Alberta Closed. As usual, thanks to all those who submitted games, and in particular Steve Hansen and Bob South. (David Ottosen deserves special mention for submitting a full ACR worth of massively annotated games all by himself — thus making the Editor's job twice as difficult and twice as time-consuming as it should have to be....)

### March of Kings

Riana Hinds — Carolyn McMaster

1. e4 e5 2. ♘c3 ♘c6 3. ♚f3 ♙c5 4. ♙c4 ♘d4 5. ♘d4 ♙d4 6. ♘e2 ♙f2 7. ♚f2 ♙h4 8. ♘g3 ♘f6 9. ♙d3 d6 10. ♙e1 ♙h2 11. ♚f1 ♙g3 12. ♙e3 ♙g5 13. b3 h5 14. ♙e2 h4 15. d3 ♙g3 16. ♙e1 d5 17. ♙g3 hg3 18. ♙g3 de4 19. de4 ♘e4 20. ♙e5 ♙e6 21. ♙e4 c6 22. ♙b2 ♚f8 23. c4 ♙h6 24. ♙d1 g5 25. g3 ♙e8 26. ♙d6 ♙h3 27. ♚f2 ♙d6 28. ♙c2 ♚g8 29. ♙d4 ♙h6 30. ♙f1 ♙g4 31. ♙d3 ♙h2 32. ♚g1 ♙c2 33. ♙c2 ♙e2 34. ♙d1 ♙e1 35. ♚f2 ♙d1 36. ♙c3 ♙d3 37. ♙e1 ♙f3 38. ♚g2 f5 39. a4 f4 40. b4 ♙e3 41. ♙f2 f3 42. ♚g1 ♙d3 43. b5 ♙d2 44. ♙e1 ♙d1 45. ♚f2 ♙c1 46. bc6 bc6 47. a5 ♙c4 48. ♚g1 ♙a4 0-1.

Ficko — Mills

1. e4 e5 2. ♘f3 ♘c6 3. ♙b5 a6 4. ♙a4 ♘f6 5. d4 b5 6. de5 ♘e4 7. ♙b3 ♙c5 8. O-O O-O 9. ♙d5 ♙f2 10. ♚h1 ♘g3 11. hg3 ♙g3 12. ♘g5 ♘e5 13. ♙a8 h6 14. ♘h3 ♙h4 15. ♙f4 d6 16. ♙e5 de5 17. ♙f7 ♚h7 18. ♙f8 ♙h3 19. ♙h8 ♚g6 20. ♙e8 ♚f5 21. ♙d7 ♚f4 22. ♙h3 ♙e7 23. ♘c3 ♙g5 24. ♙f1 ♙e3 25. ♙h8 e4 26. ♘d5 ♚d4 27. c3 ♚d3 28. ♘c7 e3 29. ♙f8 ♙c7 30. ♙e3 ♙e3 31. ♙e3 ♙e3 32. ♙e1 ♚f2 33. ♙e7 ♙d6 34. ♙f7 ♚g3 35. ♙g7.... 1-0.

### ICCL

Shernoff (U Chicago) - Regimbald

1. e4 e5 2. ♘f3 ♘f6 [Adrien has a good understanding of Petroff's positions, having held GM Leonid Yudasin to a draw in a simultaneous exhibition. In recent years, he has experimented with other dubious openings like the Caro-Kann, but thankfully returned to his strength for the critical final round.] 3. ♘c3 ♙b4 4. ♙c4 [White is playing very unambitiously, especially considering the importance of having White in a four-board match.] d6?! [This move is likely a mistake. Now White has the opportunity to institute a difficult-to-break pin with 5. ♙g5. However, White cleverly waits to apply this pin until Black has played ...♘c6. If 5. ♙g5 were played right now, Black could respond with 5...♘ce7, 6...c6, and 7...0-0, reaching a solid position.] 5. d3 ♙e6 [I might have preferred 5...♙g4, putting White in a bind as to how to break the same pin that Black is soon going to face.] 6. ♙b3! [Exchanging on e6 only strengthens Black's center, and reduces the effect of the coming pin.] ♘c6? [Walking into the aforementioned difficulties! 6...♘ce7

was best, although 6...h6 was also playable, though less strong thanks to the inclusion of the move ...♙e6.] 7. 0-0? [7. ♙g5 leads to a good position for White, as the pin is not breakable unless Black is willing to resort to ...h6 and ...g5.] h6! [Finally! Black realizes the pin will be uncomfortable, and prevents it. There is no danger the center is about to open, so Black can afford this loss of time.] 8. ♘d5 ♙a5 9. c3 O-O 10. ♙e2 ♙d5 [Black takes the opportunity to unbalance the game. White is building slowly, and may soon be able to enforce d4, after which his initiative may become worrisome. With 10...♙d5, Black changes the nature of the game to one where White must justify his doubled pawns in the center, although Black had to give up the ♙-pair to do so; a fair trade.] 11. ed5 ♘e7 12. c4 [Now Black's strategy looks quite good! The center is all boxed up, and the ♘s should be superior to the ♙s. I would assess the position as slightly in Black's favor here.] ♘f5 13. ♙a4 ♙b6 14. ♙d2 ♘d4 15. ♘d4 ♙d4 16. ♙c3 ♙c3 17. bc3 ♘d7! [I am quite impressed with the depth of Black's concept to this stage. He has saddled White with a bad ♙, and then induced White to trade off all the minor pieces except the bad ♙ and a potentially good ♘, which is now headed to the ♙-side to harass the White weaknesses.] 18. d4? [White seems to be laboring under the impression that he has the advantage, and is therefore loathe to give up his "advantageous" ♙ vs. ♘ situation. However, he probably could have achieved something close to equality with 18. ♙d7, after which the game would revolve around the question of whether the central White ♙-mass is weak or strong.] ♘b6 19. ♙c2 ♙e8 20. ♙e4 g6 21. de5? [White has played what looked like an active plan (threatening mate), but in reality, he mistakenly removed his guard on the ♙/c4. Now he feels compelled to make a weak exchange in the centre, after which his ♙s are ossified, and provide easy targets for Black. Note that although the ♙ has found some space, it has no weaknesses to attack.] ♙e5 22. ♙f4 ♙f8 23. ♙fe1 ♙ae8 24. ♙e5 ♙e5 25. ♙d3 ♙e8! [By now, it is clear that Black has the superior position; all his pieces are active and threatening. White still has to solve the problem of his doubled c-♙s, as well as finding something to do with his ♙.] 26. ♚f1 [26. ♙h6 ♙e1 27. ♙e1 ♙e1 28. ♙f1 ♘c4 gives Black a nice position. The White ♙ cannot make an attack by itself.] ♚g7 27. ♙d2 [Trying desperately to arrange a way to challenge Black on the e-file. This game follows the Capablanca method of victory: achieve an advantage in one sector of the board (in this case the centre), and after the other player goes into convulsions to try to guard that weakness, suddenly switch to a new weakness (in this case the ♙-side ♙s.) ♙a4! 28. ♙b1 [White is stymied again in his attempt to challenge the e-file. Perhaps 28. ♙d1 offered better chances of survival.] ♘c4! 29. ♙f4 [White had clearly thought he would be able to capture on b7, but overlooked that after

29. ♙c4 ♙c4 is check.] b5 30. ♙c4 ♙d5!! [Tremendous! Black wins a second ♙, as well as threatening mate. White cannot defend against the coming simplification.] 31. ♙e4? [At this stage of the match, we had lost on Board 1, and won on Board 4. Board 2 was unclear, but drawish. Therefore, allowing simplification is tantamount to accepting a loss of the match. White should have tried to scramble up some play with 31. ♙f7 ♚f7 32. ♙d5 when he is still lost, but has better chances of a miracle than in a two-♙s-down ♙+♙ ending.] ♙d1 32. ♙d1 ♙d1 33. ♙e1 ♙e1 34. ♙e1 bc4 35. ♚d2 f5 36. ♙e3 c5 0-1. [White lost on time, but the game is beyond salvation in any case. A nice strategic victory.]

Ottosen - Keatinge-Clay (Stanford)

1. e4 c5 2. ♘f3 ♘c6 3. ♘c3 [I saw this move in an old *Chess Life*, in one of Waitzkin's games from the World Junior (or some such event). It represents a good way to avoid the Sveshnikov or the Kalashnikov, both of which I have occasionally played with Black. The point is that Black has no good waiting move to stay within a Sveshnikov: 3...d6 allows 4. d4 cd4 5. ♘d4 e5? 6. ♘f3, when Black does not have the standard Sveshnikov maneuver ...♙b4 available due to the ♙/d6.] ♘f6!? [Probably the best move would be 3...g6, daring White to play 4. d4 and enter an Accelerated Dragon where White does not have the option of playing the Maroczy Bind. The move played leads to a position that is considered dubious, as far as I know.] 4. e5! ♘g4 5. ♙e2 ♙c7 [A key point for this line. When I showed this to IM Bryon Nickoloff last summer at the Canadian Open in Winnipeg (after he had played the Black side and allowed the possibility of 4. e5, which his opponent declined to play), he originally felt that Black would have a good position here. After looking at the line further, however, he decided that Black should play 5...d6, when he would have a "good" position (which I feel is inaccurate; Black may have a solid position, but it is not preferable to White's).] 6. ♘b5 ♙b8 7. d4 cd4!? [The first move out of auto-pilot for me; I was only aware of 7...a6 8. ♘d6 ed6 9. ed6 ♚d8 10. dc5 when Black has a difficult position. A sample game continued 10...♙d6 (10...b6 11. h3 ♘h6 12. ♙h6 gh6 13. ♘e5 ♘e5 14. ♙e5 ♙g8 15. ♙f6 +-) 11. ♘g5 ♘h6 12. cd6 ♙d6 13. ♘e4 ♙e5 14. ♘c3 ♘f5 15. ♙e5 ♘e5 16. ♙d2 with a better ending, as in Losev-Beshukov, Moscow 1990.] 8. ♙f4 f6!? [A fascinating move, and the only way to challenge White's entire concept! With a plain vanilla move, White will simply capture on d4, then O-O-O, and have a tremendous game due to Black's inferior piece placement (♙/b8, ♘/g4). However, this is all contingent on Black being able to survive and hold his extra ♙.] 9. ♘fd4 [I gave this move a great deal of thought, trying to decide whether to continue development, capture on d4, or try some kind of piece sacrifice like 9. ef6. In the end, I felt that my

active pieces were worth a  $\Delta$ , but that I could not afford to allow Black to achieve the strong central structure that he would have after, say, 9. O-O-O fe5.]  $\Delta$ ge5 10. O-O-O [I wanted to play 10.  $\Delta$ g3, to hold a solid pin on the  $\Delta$ /e5, but I was worried about the consequences of 10...a6, when 11.  $\Delta$ c3 hangs the  $\Delta$ /d4, while 11.  $\Delta$ c6 bc6 12.  $\Delta$ c3 hangs the  $\Delta$ /b2.]  $\Delta$ d3 11.  $\Delta$ d3  $\Delta$ wf4 12.  $\Delta$ b1 e6 [This was the line I had expected after 10. O-O-O, when I felt that I would have a strong position due to my lead in development. My only difficult-to-develop piece is the  $\Delta$ /f1, but the Black  $\Delta$ wf4 provides a cheap tempo to play g3 and fianchetto the  $\Delta$ . I felt that I had a good initiative for the  $\Delta$  at this stage.] 13. g3  $\Delta$ wb8 14.  $\Delta$ f5! [The chance to post a  $\Delta$ /d6 with check, forcing the  $\Delta$  to remain in a wide-open center, is rare, and should be taken at all times!]  $\Delta$ e5! [A resourceful defense! Black cannot stop the  $\Delta$ s from coming in to d6, but will capture the first one, and then expel the second with a future  $\Delta$ /f7.] 15.  $\Delta$ fd6  $\Delta$ d6!? [I was unsure of the consequences of 15... $\Delta$ d8 16.  $\Delta$ d1 a6 17. f4 when Black is getting some counterplay. However, it is natural and understandable that Black would want to trade off some of the attacking pieces, while at the same time getting rid of one of his many undeveloped pieces.] 16.  $\Delta$ d6  $\Delta$ e7 17.  $\Delta$ d1  $\Delta$ f7 18.  $\Delta$ f5  $\Delta$ f8 19.  $\Delta$ d4  $\Delta$ w5?! 20.  $\Delta$ w5 [Given the possible reply which we both missed, 20.  $\Delta$ w3 was better.]  $\Delta$ e5? [20...fe5! maintains Black's material advantage, while reducing the pressure on his  $\Delta$ . White is not necessarily lost after this move, but Black has the advantage.] 21.  $\Delta$ e6!  $\Delta$ f7 [21...de6 22.  $\Delta$ d8  $\Delta$ e7 23.  $\Delta$ h8 +-.] 22.  $\Delta$ c7  $\Delta$ wb8 23. f4  $\Delta$ g4 24.  $\Delta$ c4  $\Delta$ g6 [I couldn't believe this move, and looked for a while at moves like 25. h3 and 25. f5, trying for a mate. However, in this kind of semi-fast tournament, it is often better to find a good move quickly, rather than the perfect move slowly. After a brief consideration of the attacking options, my instincts told me there was not a simple mate to be found, so I played a solid, safe move that maintains an advantage.] 25.  $\Delta$ d2 h5 26. h3  $\Delta$ h6 27.  $\Delta$ g1 d5!! [Up to this point, I had been fairly confident that my opponent was tied in knots and would have to cough up material to get any kind of play going. 27...d5!! frees his game to a large extent while not losing material. I was quite disheartened by this move.] 28.  $\Delta$ d5 [I tried to convince myself that although he had gotten out of his bind, I had activated my knight again in the direction of his  $\Delta$ , while at the same time "forcing" him to open the h-file. A key portion of my playing style is unwarranted optimism!]  $\Delta$ h3 29.  $\Delta$ h1 [I examined 29. f5 to see if I could make it work, but 29... $\Delta$ f5 seemed to hold in all lines (not to mention 29... $\Delta$ h7). I also looked at 29.  $\Delta$ e7, but I felt that the  $\Delta$  should stay centralized for the moment.]  $\Delta$ e6 [This move came as a big shock. I had expected 29... $\Delta$ g4 with a solid position on the  $\Delta$ -side. I was planning to continue with 30.  $\Delta$ f3, which I

felt led to no special advantage, but offered some chances based on the possibility of getting a  $\Delta$  to the seventh rank.] 30.  $\Delta$ e7  $\Delta$ f7 [The reason 29... $\Delta$ e6 had come as such a big shock is that I had forgotten that 30... $\Delta$ f7 would be available, and I thought 30.  $\Delta$ e7 was winning a piece!] 31.  $\Delta$ e6  $\Delta$ e6 32.  $\Delta$ e1 [My first instinct was to grab material with 32.  $\Delta$ g6  $\Delta$ hd8 33.  $\Delta$ d8  $\Delta$ d8 34.  $\Delta$ h5 Rd1#]  $\Delta$ f7 33.  $\Delta$ d7  $\Delta$ hd8 34.  $\Delta$ c7  $\Delta$ f8 35. a3 [Seeing no simple way to improve my position, and no immediate threat for my opponent to improve his, I decide to take a move to guard against all potential back-rank mates.]  $\Delta$ d2 [At this stage, I began feeling that my opponent would free himself in the next few moves if I did not start some action. I came up with an amusing little  $\Delta$  move which carried some mating threats if my opponent was not careful. In time pressure, it turned out he was not.] 36.  $\Delta$ c8!?  $\Delta$ g2 37.  $\Delta$ d1 [Threatening 38.  $\Delta$ d8#.]  $\Delta$ e8?? [A shame. After a hard-fought defense, Black overlooks a simple mate in two. The only move was 37... $\Delta$ g8, when I was planning to play 38.  $\Delta$ d3  $\Delta$ f5 39.  $\Delta$ e7  $\Delta$ e7 40.  $\Delta$ e7 and I felt my active  $\Delta$ s would provide me good winning chances.] 38.  $\Delta$ e7 1-0.

#### ALBERTA CLOSED

*Games from Rounds 1 and 7 appeared last issue. Here are the remaining games from the 1998 Alberta Closed. (David Ottosen's heavily annotated game against Gardner in Round 2 can be found on pages 38-41 of EP #150.)*

#### Round 2

##### Yearwood — Odachowski

1. d4 e6 2.  $\Delta$ f3 b6 3. e4  $\Delta$ b7 4.  $\Delta$ d3  $\Delta$ f6 5.  $\Delta$ w2 c5 6. c3  $\Delta$ c6 7. a3  $\Delta$ a5 8.  $\Delta$ d2 c4 9.  $\Delta$ c2  $\Delta$ w7 10. O-O  $\Delta$ e7 11.  $\Delta$ e5  $\Delta$ c8 12. f4 O-O 13.  $\Delta$ f3 d6 14.  $\Delta$ h3 de5 15. fe5 g6 16. gf6  $\Delta$ f6 17. e5  $\Delta$ g7 18.  $\Delta$ e4  $\Delta$ e4 19.  $\Delta$ w4  $\Delta$ w7 20.  $\Delta$ f4  $\Delta$ c6 21.  $\Delta$ e1 a6 22.  $\Delta$ f3  $\Delta$ fe8 23.  $\Delta$ w3 b5 24.  $\Delta$ g5  $\Delta$ a7 25.  $\Delta$ f6  $\Delta$ e7 26.  $\Delta$ w5  $\Delta$ d5 27.  $\Delta$ h3  $\Delta$ f6 28. ef6  $\Delta$ f8 29.  $\Delta$ e5  $\Delta$ ed8 30.  $\Delta$ w4 h6 31.  $\Delta$ w4  $\Delta$ d5 32.  $\Delta$ d5 ed5 1-0.

##### Fullbrook — Huber

1. e4 c5 2. c3 d5 3. ed5  $\Delta$ w5 4. d4  $\Delta$ c6 5.  $\Delta$ f3  $\Delta$ f6 6.  $\Delta$ e2  $\Delta$ g4 7. O-O e6 8.  $\Delta$ c3 cd4 9. cd4  $\Delta$ b4 10.  $\Delta$ c3  $\Delta$ w6 11. h3  $\Delta$ h5 12. a3  $\Delta$ a5 13. b4  $\Delta$ b6 14. d5 ed5 15.  $\Delta$ b6 ab6 16.  $\Delta$ b5  $\Delta$ w7 17.  $\Delta$ fd4  $\Delta$ g6 18.  $\Delta$ g4  $\Delta$ g4 19.  $\Delta$ e1  $\Delta$ ge5 20.  $\Delta$ c6 O-O 21.  $\Delta$ e5  $\Delta$ wb5 22.  $\Delta$ w4  $\Delta$ fe8 23.  $\Delta$ e3  $\Delta$ c2 24.  $\Delta$ d1  $\Delta$ d8 25.  $\Delta$ g6 hg6 26.  $\Delta$ e7  $\Delta$ c4 27.  $\Delta$ w3 d4 28.  $\Delta$ w3  $\Delta$ w5 29.  $\Delta$ wb7  $\Delta$ c2 30.  $\Delta$ f1  $\Delta$ w6 31.  $\Delta$ d7  $\Delta$ dc8 32.  $\Delta$ w5  $\Delta$ f2 33.  $\Delta$ f2  $\Delta$ c1 34.  $\Delta$ h2  $\Delta$ w2 35.  $\Delta$ w4  $\Delta$ w1 36.  $\Delta$ d8  $\Delta$ h7 37.  $\Delta$ d7 1/2-1/2.

##### South — Ristic

1.  $\Delta$ f3 d5 2. c4 e6 3. e3  $\Delta$ f6 4.  $\Delta$ c3 c6 5. d4 [5. b3 is less well known.]  $\Delta$ b7 6.  $\Delta$ d3 dc4 7.  $\Delta$ c4 b5 8.  $\Delta$ e2 [This solid line (rather than the usual 8.  $\Delta$ d3) seemed like a good choice against Nenad, who is a consistently aggressive and optimistic player.]  $\Delta$ b7 9. O-O a6 10.

b3 c5 11.  $\Delta$ b2  $\Delta$ e7 12.  $\Delta$ c1 O-O 13.  $\Delta$ w2  $\Delta$ c8 14.  $\Delta$ w1  $\Delta$ a5 15.  $\Delta$ fd1 cd4 [15... $\Delta$ fd8 was more careful.] 16.  $\Delta$ d4 e5 17.  $\Delta$ d1 b4 18.  $\Delta$ a4 e4 19.  $\Delta$ d4  $\Delta$ w5 20.  $\Delta$ c8  $\Delta$ c8 21.  $\Delta$ c1  $\Delta$ f8 [After some thought, Nenad decides to keep pieces on for a  $\Delta$ -side attack. I thought that my position was quite solid.] 22.  $\Delta$ c6 [22.  $\Delta$ c7! followed by 23.  $\Delta$ c6 would have been stronger.]  $\Delta$ d6 23.  $\Delta$ c4 [This move allows the White  $\Delta$  back in the game via d1. Capturing the  $\Delta$ /b4 wasn't the primary objective.] h5 24.  $\Delta$ w1  $\Delta$ d5 25.  $\Delta$ h5  $\Delta$ c8 26. h4  $\Delta$ e3 [I did not see this coming. Otherwise Black is lost. One threat was  $\Delta$ f7 and  $\Delta$ w5.] 27. hg5  $\Delta$ d1 28.  $\Delta$ d1  $\Delta$ c6 [If 28... $\Delta$ c6  $\Delta$ e4 gives White a clear  $\Delta$  plus.] 29.  $\Delta$ g4  $\Delta$ c7 [Black must allow White to win two pieces for a  $\Delta$ . The resulting position is not clear. In the following time scramble both players miss opportunities.] 30.  $\Delta$ c6  $\Delta$ c6 31.  $\Delta$ d7 Rc2 32.  $\Delta$ f5  $\Delta$ d2 33.  $\Delta$ f1 e3 34. fe3  $\Delta$ g3 35.  $\Delta$ g4  $\Delta$ f2 36.  $\Delta$ g1  $\Delta$ d2 37.  $\Delta$ f3  $\Delta$ f2 38.  $\Delta$ h2  $\Delta$ e3 39. g6 [The time control was at move 35 but we kept blitzing until about move 43.]  $\Delta$ f4 40.  $\Delta$ h3 f5 41.  $\Delta$ b7  $\Delta$ d1 42. g4  $\Delta$ d2?? [If Black simply captures the  $\Delta$ , the position would be quite playable. Nenad overlooked that I could defend the threatened mate by simply capturing the  $\Delta$ . After this colossal oversight the game is decided.] 43. gf5 a5 44.  $\Delta$ g4  $\Delta$ c7 45. f6 gf6 46.  $\Delta$ f6  $\Delta$ d8 47.  $\Delta$ e5  $\Delta$ e7 48.  $\Delta$ b6 1-0.

#### Round 3

##### Gardner — Yearwood

1. e4 e5 2.  $\Delta$ f3  $\Delta$ c6 3.  $\Delta$ b5 f5 4.  $\Delta$ c3  $\Delta$ b4 5. O-O  $\Delta$ c3 6. dc3 d6 7. ef5  $\Delta$ f5 8.  $\Delta$ e1  $\Delta$ e7 9.  $\Delta$ g5 h6 10.  $\Delta$ e7  $\Delta$ w7 11.  $\Delta$ d4  $\Delta$ d7 12. f4 O-O 13.  $\Delta$ c6 bc6 14. fe5 de5 15.  $\Delta$ w2  $\Delta$ wf7 16.  $\Delta$ f3  $\Delta$ g4 17.  $\Delta$ e5  $\Delta$ e2 18.  $\Delta$ f7  $\Delta$ ae8 19.  $\Delta$ d8 c5 20.  $\Delta$ b7  $\Delta$ f5 21.  $\Delta$ a5  $\Delta$ f7 22.  $\Delta$ b3  $\Delta$ d5 23. h3  $\Delta$ e4 24.  $\Delta$ c1  $\Delta$ d2 25.  $\Delta$ e2  $\Delta$ ee2 26.  $\Delta$ e2  $\Delta$ e2 27.  $\Delta$ f1  $\Delta$ e6 28.  $\Delta$ f2  $\Delta$ e1 29.  $\Delta$ f1  $\Delta$ e2 30.  $\Delta$ f2  $\Delta$ e1 31.  $\Delta$ h2  $\Delta$ a1 32. c4  $\Delta$ a2 33. b3  $\Delta$ b2 34.  $\Delta$ e2  $\Delta$ fe6 35.  $\Delta$ g3 a5 36.  $\Delta$ g4 a4 37. ba4  $\Delta$ b4 38.  $\Delta$ h5  $\Delta$ c4 39.  $\Delta$ f2  $\Delta$ e6 40.  $\Delta$ g6  $\Delta$ a4 41. g4  $\Delta$ a3 42. h4  $\Delta$ h3 43. h5  $\Delta$ g3 44.  $\Delta$ f4  $\Delta$ e5 45.  $\Delta$ a4  $\Delta$ d5 46.  $\Delta$ g7 c4 47.  $\Delta$ h6  $\Delta$ g4 48.  $\Delta$ h7  $\Delta$ g2 49.  $\Delta$ a2  $\Delta$ e6 50. h6  $\Delta$ f7 51.  $\Delta$ a7  $\Delta$ c2 52.  $\Delta$ c7  $\Delta$ f8 53.  $\Delta$ h8  $\Delta$ h2 54. h7  $\Delta$ h4 55.  $\Delta$ c5  $\Delta$ f7 56.  $\Delta$ f5  $\Delta$ g6 57.  $\Delta$ f7  $\Delta$ f7 1/2-1/2.

##### Huber — South

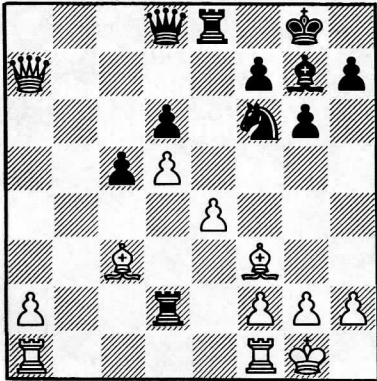
1. e4 d5 2. ed5  $\Delta$ f6 3. d4  $\Delta$ d5 4. c4  $\Delta$ f6 5.  $\Delta$ c3  $\Delta$ g4 6.  $\Delta$ e2  $\Delta$ e2 7.  $\Delta$ ge2 e6 8. O-O  $\Delta$ e7 9.  $\Delta$ w3 b6 10.  $\Delta$ f4 O-O 11.  $\Delta$ ad1  $\Delta$ c6 12.  $\Delta$ w4  $\Delta$ a5 13. d5  $\Delta$ w8 14.  $\Delta$ b5  $\Delta$ e8 15.  $\Delta$ ec3  $\Delta$ f6 16.  $\Delta$ fe1 a6 17.  $\Delta$ d4  $\Delta$ d4 18.  $\Delta$ d4 c5 19.  $\Delta$ d2  $\Delta$ a7 20.  $\Delta$ de2  $\Delta$ w7 21. b3  $\Delta$ d6 22.  $\Delta$ w7  $\Delta$ d7 23.  $\Delta$ d6  $\Delta$ d6 24. de6 fe6 25.  $\Delta$ e6  $\Delta$ fd8 26.  $\Delta$ f1 h6 27.  $\Delta$ e8  $\Delta$ h7 28.  $\Delta$ d8  $\Delta$ d8 29.  $\Delta$ ee6  $\Delta$ d3 30.  $\Delta$ d5 b5 31.  $\Delta$ a6 bc4 32.  $\Delta$ a5 cb3 33.  $\Delta$ e3 b2 34.  $\Delta$ b5  $\Delta$ d2 35.  $\Delta$ e1 1-0.

*! Please note the changes to the Alberta Closed rules on page 3 !*



**Odachowski — Fullbrook**

1. d4 ♖f6 2. c4 c5 3. d5 e6 4. ♘c3 ed5 5. cd5 d6 6. ♗f3 g6 7. ♙f4 ♙g7 8. ♚a4 ♙d7 9. ♚b3 ♚c7 10. e4 O-O 11. ♘d2 ♙e8 12. ♙e2 b5 13. ♘b5 ♙b5 14. ♚b5 ♘bd7 15. ♚c6 ♚d8 16. ♙f3 ♙b8 17. O-O ♙b6 18. ♚a4 ♙b2 19. ♚a7 ♘e5 20. ♙e5 ♘d2 21. ♙c3



♘e4 22. ♙d2 ♘d2 23. ♚a3 ♙a1 24. ♙a1 ♚f6 25. ♘d1 ♘f3 26. ♚f3 ♚f3 27. gf3 ♘g7 28. a4 ♙a8 0-1.

**Round 4**

**Ottosen — Huber**

1. e4 c5 2. ♘f3 d6 3. d4 cd4 4. ♘d4 ♘f6 5. ♘c3 a6 6. ♙g5 ♘c6 7. ♙f6 gf6 8. ♚d2 e6 9. O-O-O ♙d7 10. f4 ♚b6 11. ♘b3 O-O-O 12. ♙e2 ♘a5 13. ♙hf1 ♘b3 14. ab3 h5 15. ♘b1 ♙c6 16. ♘a4 ♙a4 17. ba4 ♘b8 18. ♙f3 ♙c8 19. ♙c3 ♙c3 20. ♚c3 ♙e7 21. h3 h4 22. ♚d4 ♚d4 23. ♘d4 ♙g8 24. ♙g4 ♘c7 25. ♘d3 ♘d7 26. ♙f3 ♙c8 27. b3 b6 28. ♘b2 1/2-1/2.

**Fullbrook — South**

1. e4 c5 2. c3 d6 3. d4 ♘f6 4. ♙d3 ♘c6 5. ♘e2 e5 6. d5 ♘e7 7. f3 g6 8. ♙e3 ♙g7 9. ♙b5 ♘d7 10. c4 O-O 11. ♙d7 ♙d7 12. O-O f5 13. ♘d2 f4 14. ♙f2 g5 15. b4 b6 16. bc5 bc5 17. ♘c3 ♚a5 18. ♚c2 ♘c8 19. ♙fb1 ♙f6 20. a4 ♙g6 21. ♙b7 ♙d8 22. ♙ab1 h5 23. ♘b5 ♙b5 24. ♙b5 a6 25. ♙b8 ab5 26. ♙a8 b4 27. a5 ♙d7 28. a6 g4 29. ♚a2 ♘h7 30. a7 gf3 31. ♘f3 ♚g4 32. ♘e1 ♘a7 33. ♙a7 f3 34. ♚c2 fg2 35. ♘d3 h4 36. h3 ♚f4 37. ♚e3 ♘g8 38. ♘g2 ♚e3 39. ♙e3 ♙g3 40. ♘h2 ♙f3 41. ♘d7 ♙f8 42. ♙g5 ♙f2 43. ♘g1 ♙e2 44. ♘e3 b3 45. ♙b7 b2 46. ♘f1 ♙h2 47. ♘d1 ♙h1 48. ♘e2 ♙h3 49. ♙b2 ♙g3 50. ♙e3 h3 51. ♘f2 h2 52. ♙b1 ♙g1 53. ♙fl ♙e7 54. ♘h1 ♙g4 55. ♘f3 ♙g6 56. ♙f2 1-0.

**Odachowski — Gardner**

1. c4 e5 2. ♘c3 ♘c6 3. g3 g6 4. ♙g2 ♙g7 5. e3 d6 6. ♘ge2 f5 7. O-O ♘f6 8. d3 ♙e6 9. ♘d5 O-O 10. b3 ♚d7 11. ♙b2 ♘d8 12. ♘f6 ♙f6 13. ♚c2 c6 14. ♙ad1 d5 15. f4 ♘f7 16. e4 d4 17. ♙c1 fe4 18. ♙e4 ♘d6 19. ♙g2 ♙ae8 20. fe5 ♙e5 21. ♘f4 ♙f5 22. ♙a3 ♙f7 23. ♚d2 ♙g4 24. ♙de1 ♘f5 25. ♙f3 ♘e3 26. ♚e2 ♙f3 27. ♙f3 ♙f4 28. ♙f4 ♙f4 29. gf4 ♙f5 30. ♙d6 ♙e6 31. ♙e5 ♙g4 32. ♙g4 ♘g4 33. c5 ♘e5 34. fe5 ♙e8 35. ♙e4 ♘f7 36. ♙d4 ♙e5 37. ♙b4 ♙e7 38. ♘f2 ♘f6 39. ♘f3 g5 40. ♙a4 a6 41. ♙d4 ♘f5 42. ♙d8 h5 43. h3

♙g7 44. b4 ♘e5 45. d4 ♘f5 46. a4 g4 47. hg4 hg4 48. ♘g3 ♘e4 49. ♙d6 ♘d3 50. d5 cd5 51. c6 bc6 52. ♙c6 ♙b7 53. ♙a6 ♙b4 54. ♙a5 d4 55. ♘g4 ♘e2 56. ♙e5 ♘d1 57. a5 d3 58. ♘f3 d2 59. a6 ♙a4 60. ♙e6 ♙a1 61. ♘e3 ♙a3 62. ♘f2 ♙a5 63. ♙f6 0-1.

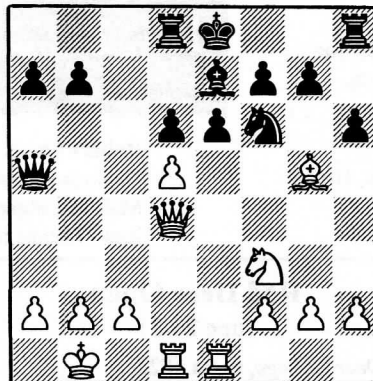
**Round 5**

**Huber — Yearwood**

1. c4 ♘f6 2. ♘c3 g6 3. e4 d6 4. d4 ♙g7 5. ♘f3 O-O 6. ♙e2 ♘c6 7. O-O e5 8. d5 ♘e7 9. ♘e1 ♘e8 10. ♘d3 f5 11. ♙d2 ♘f6 12. f3 c6 13. a4 a5 14. dc6 bc6 15. c5 ♙b8 16. cd6 ♚d6 17. ♙e3 ♙a6 18. ♚c2 ♙fd8 19. ♙fd1 ♙d3 20. ♙d3 ♘h8 21. ♙c4 ♚c7 22. b3 ♘h5 23. ♙d8 ♙d8 24. ♙d1 ♙d4 25. ♘e2 c5 26. ♘d4 ed4 27. ♙f2 ♙e5 28. g3 fe4 29. ♙e4 ♘f6 30. ♙a8 ♘g7 31. f4 ♙d6 32. ♙f3 h5 33. ♙e1 ♘g4 34. ♙e6 ♘f6 35. ♙e1 ♘f5 36. ♙d2 ♘g8 37. ♙a8 ♘ge7 38. ♙a5 ♚d7 39. ♚e4 1-0.

**South — Ottosen**

1. e4 c5 2. ♘f3 ♘c6 3. ♘c3 d6 4. ♙b5 ♙d7 5. ♙c6 ♙c6 6. d4 cd4 7. ♚d4 ♘f6 8. ♙g5 e6 9. O-O-O ♙e7 10. ♙he1 ♚a5 11. ♘b1 ♙d8 12. ♘d5!? [12. ♚d2 is better. It has the useful threat of 13. ♘d5 should Black castle, since Black's ♚ would be unable to retreat to d8 to guard the ♙e7. I was simply carried away by the 'flash' of 12. ♘d5.] ♙d5 13. ed5 h6



14. Bh4?! [During the game I was surprised at how bad my position was getting at this point. White can play 14. de6! which opens the position and gives White decent play for the piece after 14...hg5 15 ef7 ♘f7 16. ♚e3 ♙d7 17. ♘g5.] g5 5. ♙g3 ♚d5 16. ♙a7 ♚c6 17. ♙d3 ♘d5 18. ♚d4 O-O 19. ♙e4 ♙f6 20. ♘d4 ♙a4 [White's position is hanging by a thread and Black could probably dial the temperature up to BAKE with 20...♚b6. When Black played 20...Qa4 I seized my chance to simplify the game.] 21. ♘e6 ♚e4 22. ♙e4 fe4 23. ♙e6 ♙fe8 24. ♙e8 ♙e8 25. a3 ♘f4 26. ♙d6 ♘f7 27. ♙b6 ♙e7 28. ♙f4 gf4 29. ♙b4 ♙e5 30. c3 ♘e8 31. ♘c2 ♘d8 32. ♙b6 ♙g7 33. ♘d3 ♘c7 34. ♙g6 ♘d7 35. ♙g4 ♙e5 36. ♙g6 1/2-1/2. [South]

**Gardner — Fullbrook**

1. e4 d6 2. d4 ♘f6 3. ♘c3 g6 4. g3 ♙g7 5. ♙g2 ♘bd7 6. ♘ge2 O-O 7. h3 c5 8. ♙e3 cd4 9. ♘d4 ♘e5 10. O-O ♙d7 11. ♘h2 ♙c8 12. ♘ce2 b5 13. b3 ♙c7 14. ♙d2 ♚b8 15. f4 ♘c6 16. ♙e3 ♙fc8 17. a3 ♙g4 18. ♙a2

♘d4 19. ♙d4 ♙e2 20. ♚e2 ♘g4 21. ♚g4 ♙d4 22. ♚d1 ♙c3 23. ♙f3 a5 24. ♙e2 ♚b6 25. ♙d3 ♙b8 26. ♚e2 ♙cb7 27. ♙f3 ♚d4 28. ♘g2 e6 29. ♙f2 ♙f2 30. ♘f2 ♙c7 31. ♘e2 d5 32. ♘fl de4 33. ♙e4 ♘f8 34. ♙d3 ♘e7 35. ♙f3 f5 36. ♙e2 h6 37. h4 ♙b6 38. ♘g2 ♘f6 39. ♙d8 g5 40. hg5 hg5 41. fg5 ♘g5 42. ♙g8 ♘f6 43. g4 fg4 44. ♙g4 ♙g7 45. ♙g7 ♘g7 46. ♘f3 ♘f6 47. ♙e4 ♘e7 48. ♘d3 ♙c6 49. ♙e4 ♙c5 50. b4 ♙e5 51. ♘d3 ab4 52. ab4 ♙b4 53. c4 ♙d6 54. cb5 ♙b5 55. ♘e3 ♙b3 56. ♙d3 ♙c5 57. ♙e4 ♙b4 58. ♘f3 e5 59. ♙c2 ♙f4 60. ♘g3 ♘d6 61. ♙c2 ♘d5 62. ♙c2 ♘d4 63. ♙b1 ♙fl 64. ♙e4 ♙e7 65. ♙g2 ♙f8 66. ♙e4 ♘d3 67. ♙f3 ♙g5 68. ♘g4 ♙f4 69. ♙a4 ♙c1 70. ♙e4 ♘e3 71. ♙g6 ♙b2 72. ♙e4 ♘f2 73. ♙h5 ♙d4 74. ♘g5 ♙e3 75. ♘g6 ♙f4 76. ♘g7 ♙f5 77. ♙d1 ♘g3 78. ♘g6 ♙f8 79. ♘g7 ♙d8 80. ♙e2 ♙d6 81. ♘f7 ♘h4 82. ♘e7 ♙b6 83. ♙c4 ♘g5 84. ♙e6 ♘g6 85. ♙c4 ♙g5 86. ♘d7 ♘g7 87. ♙d5 ♙f4 88. ♙c6 ♙b5 89. ♘e6 ♘g6 90. ♙c8 ♙b6 91. ♙c6 ♙b8 92. ♙c7 ♙e8 93. ♙e7 ♙g8 94. ♙e4 ♘g5 95. ♙d5 ♙g6 96. ♘f7 ♙f6 97. ♘e8 ♘g4 98. ♙b7 ♙b6 99. ♙e4 ♙g3 100. ♘f7 ♘f4 101. ♙c2 ♙h4 102. ♙e6 ♙b7 103. ♘g6 ♙b2 104. ♙d3 ♙g3 105. ♘f7 ♘e3 106. ♙g6 ♘d4 107. ♙e7 ♙h4 108. ♙e6 ♙b7 1/2-1/2. [Gardner claimed a draw by the 50-move rule.]

**Round 6**

**Yearwood — South**

1. d4 c5 2. d5 f5 3. ♚d3 d6 4. ♙g5 ♘f6 5. ♙f6 ef6 6. ♘c3 ♘a6 7. e3 ♙d7 8. h4 ♘c7 9. h5 ♚e7 10. g3 O-O-O 11. a4 ♚f7 12. ♙h4 ♙e7 13. O-O-O ♘b8 14. ♘f3 ♘a8 15. ♘d2 g5 16. hg6 hg6 17. ♙h8 ♙h8 18. ♘f3 a6 19. ♚c4 ♙d8 20. b4 cb4 21. ♚b4 ♚e7 22. ♘d2 ♙h2 23. ♘c4 ♘e8 24. ♙d3 ♙c7 25. ♘b5 ab5 26. ab5 b6 27. ♘b2 ♙c8 28. ♙a1 ♘b8 29. ♙a4 ♙b7 30. ♙a7 ♘c8 31. ♙a3 ♚d7 32. ♘b6 ♙b6 33. ♚b6 ♘c7 34. ♙c3 ♘b8 35. ♙c4 ♙a8 36. ♚d4 ♙e7 37. f4 ♙d8 38. e4 ♘b6 39. ♙b3 ♙h5 40. ef5 gf5 41. ♙e3 ♙c8 42. ♚d1 ♙h7 43. ♚e2 ♚c7 44. ♙e8 ♚c5 45. ♙e6 ♚b4 46. ♘a2 ♙h1 47. ♙f6 ♚a5 48. ♘b2 ♙a1# 0-1.

**Odachowski — Huber**

1. d4 d5 2. c4 e6 3. ♘c3 c5 4. cd5 ed5 5. g3 ♘c6 6. ♘f3 ♘f6 7. ♙g2 ♙e7 8. O-O O-O 9. h3 ♙e8 10. ♙e3 c4 11. ♘e5 h6 12. f4 ♙b4 13. g4 ♙c3 14. bc3 h5 15. g5 ♘e4 16. ♙e4 de4 17. ♘c6 bc6 18. f5 ♚d5 19. f6 ♙h3 20. ♙f2 g6 21. ♘h2 ♙d7 22. ♚c1 ♙ab8 23. ♙a3 ♚e6 24. ♙f4 ♙b5 0-1.

**Fullbrook — Ottosen**

1. e4 c5 2. c3 ♘f6 3. e5 ♘d5 4. d4 cd4 5. ♘f3 ♘c6 6. cd4 d6 7. ed6 e6 8. ♙e2 ♙d6 9. ♘c3 ♘c3 10. bc3 O-O 11. O-O e5 12. d5 ♘e7 13. c4 ♚c7 14. h3 b6 15. ♙b2 ♘g6 16. ♙e1 ♘f4 17. ♙fl ♙e8 18. ♙c1 ♙f5 19. ♘g5 e4 20. ♙a4 h6 21. c5 hg5 22. cd6 ♚d6 23. g3 ♘h3 24. ♙h3 ♙h3 25. ♙e4 ♚d5 26. ♙e8 ♙e8 27. ♙e8 ♘h7 28. f3 ♚f3 29. ♙c2 ♚g3 30. ♘h1 ♙g4 31. ♙h2 ♘g6 32. ♙e4 ♙f5 33. ♙c6 f6 34. ♙e8# 1-0.

## Alberta Clubs

### Calgary Chess Club:

- Meets at the *Elephant & Castle Restaurant*, 8 Ave. & 4 St. SW.  
Tuesdays 7:00 – 11:00 p.m.
- Contact: Tedge Davies 277-0209; or  
Walter Watson 277-5620.
- Events: 7-14 July – Active #1  
21-28 July – Active #2

### Under 1800 Club:

- Meets at *Words Books & Capaccino Bar*, 1715 17th Ave. SW.  
during business hours.
- Contact: Rook St. Peter 244-4239; or  
Tedge Davies 277-0209.
- Events: 27 June – <2000 Active  
18 July – <1700 Active

### Edmonton Chess Club:

- Meets in #114A, *Prince of Wales Armoury*, 10440 108th Ave.  
Mondays & Thursdays 7:00 – 11:00 p.m.
- Contact: club phone 424-0283; or  
Aaron Lovi 481-7278.
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### Red Deer Jr. & Sr. Chess Clubs:

- Meets in the *Red Deer Public Library*, Sundays 1:30 – 5:00 p.m.
- Contact: Neil Sharp 346-0420.

### Medicine Hat Chess Club:

- Meets at the *Southview Community School*, coffee corner room,  
during the school year. Wednesdays 7:00 – 10:15 p.m.
- Contact: Bill Taylor 526-5484.

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- Meets at the *Queen's Bakery & Cafe*, 124 Market Street, Hinton  
Mondays 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
- Contact: Peter Bundscherer 865-5050.

### Grande Prairie Chess Club:

- Meets at the *Royal Canadian Legion*  
9912 101st Ave. Grande Prairie  
Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m., September to April.
- Contact: Phil Lefkowitz 538-1903.  
9905 75th Ave. T8V 6G2

### Peace River Chess Club:

- Meets in the Rose Room, *Peace Valley Inn*  
9609 101st St.
- Contact: Alex Phimester.

### Northern Communities Chess Club:

- Contact: Bernie Tynan 771-3757.

### Lethbridge Jr. & Sr. Chess Clubs:

- Meets at the *University of Lethbridge*  
one evening per week, September to April.
- Contact: Grant Brown 381-0308.

### Crowsnest Chess Club:

- Meets at the *Royal Canadian Legion*  
Coleman.
- Contact: John Day 563-5217

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Register by 9:45 at the site; entry fee \$20.  
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Contact: Neil Sharp 346-0420.

### Canada Day Open

July 4-5

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August 15

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If you are interested in participating, please let your respective Team Captain know.  
North: David Ottosen 425-1584.  
South: Walter Watson 277-5620.  
TD: Neil Sharp 346-0420.

### Edmonton Active

July 11

Edmonton Chess Club, 9:45 a.m.  
Contact: John Quiring 468-9173.

### Calgary Active

July 11

Quality Inn (Motel Village), 9:45 a.m.  
Contact: Walter Watson 277-5620.

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