

ALBERTA CHESS REPORT

A Newsletter Published by the Alberta Chess Association November 1993 Vol. 18 No. 4



1993 Alberta Open by Ford Wong

A field of 38 competed in the 1993 Alberta Open, held in Calgary at the Westgate Inn over the Thanksgiving Weekend. The tournament was played in the Grecian room, which was excellent, well lit and spacious.

Dale Haessel was undefeated at 5-0 going into the last round when he lost to Greg Huber to finish tied for first overall with Greg. However, Dale qualified for the Alberta Closed based on cumulative-score tiebreak, which was unfortunate for Greg who, after suffering a third round loss to Warrick Walker, managed to fight back to tie for first.

Franck Pellerin had a strong performance and shared in the lead until losing to Haessel in round 5. John Quiring had several interesting games (missing a 2-move mate during a time scramble against Arthur Odachowski, and in another game—considered by John as his most ridiculous-he unwillingly stalemated an opponent in a won position).

An oddity which occurred during the tournament involved Haessel and Ottosen, when Haessel was down a piece to Ottosen but managed to even up material by the time they finished. Unfortunately, it was just a pizza that they were sharing, as Ottosen could surely have used the half point. Next night, Ottosen was up 2 pieces, but against someone else (if only David could learn to hang onto his material advantage!).

The participants were treated to a special guest appearance by Walter Litwinczuk, sixtime winner of the Alberta Open, who dropped by to rekindle some long lost memories of the tournament and chess in Alberta, and to share his experiences and play a few quick games. Walter is one of the few fortunate people who can honestly say that he played a 16-year old Bobby Fischer, Sammy Reshevsky, and a few other notables. Walter was hoping to see the Alberta Open Trophy and his name on it, but the trophy was not in evidence. It has since been located and, as soon as missing plaques for some past winners have been added, the trophy will make a special trip to see its sixtime owner. Special thanks to Walter for dropping by and watching the games.

1									
1	Dale Haessel	2249	+18	+11	+ 5	+ 4	+ 7	- 2	5.0
2	Greg Huber	2278	+32	+14	- 4	+10	+ 9	+ 1	5.0
3	Arthur Odachowski	2263	+17	+12	+19	- 7	= 4	+11	4.5
4	Warrick Walker	1993	+22	+13	+ 2	- 1	= 3	+12	4.5
5	Grant Brown	1934	+28	+20	- 1	=24	+13	+10	4.5
6	Jim Daniluk	2035	=26	- 8	+32	+21	+14	+ 7	4.5
7	Franck Pellerin	1921	+21	+25	+ 9	+ 3	- 1	- 6	4.0
8	Paul Usselman	2070	- 25	+ 6	+16	bye	=11	+20	4.0
!	3.5: 9 J Flemming; 10 F Wong; 11 A Milne; 12 J Quiring; 13 B Knudskov;								

14 M Carcamo; 15 B Vandermeer; 16 A Yamach; 17 B Starkes; 18 D Gomboc 3.0: 19 W Bentley; 20 W Rusk; 21 P Beresinski; 22 N Podolchak; 23 L Miazga

2.5: 24 A Hangartner; 25 R Dodd; 26 D Ottosen; 27 R Weis; 28 T McKay; 29 R Wills 2.0: 30 G O'Reilly (jr); 31 D Todd; 32 J Rouse; 33 S Dodd-Flower; 34 G O'Reilly (sr)

1.0: 36 A Dodd-Flower; 37 B Wallace 0.0: 38 K Jones

1.5: 35 R Sloot

The big winners at the 1993 Alberta Open were:

First overall was shared between Dale Haessel and Greg Huber at 5-1. Following at 4.5 points were Arthur Odachowski, Jim Daniluk, and the top two in 'Class A', Warrick Walker and Grant Brown. Franck Pellerin, 4-2, was third in 'Class A'.

Top 'Class B' was shared between Ahmet Yamach and Brian Starkes. Top 'Class C' went to Dave Gomboc, followed by Nick Podolchak and Larry Miazga in 2nd-3rd.

Top Unrated was Peter Beresinski. Top Under 1400 went to Seth Dodd-Flower and Gerard O'Reilly ("jr").

Thanks go to Barney Fegyverneki for running a smooth and almost problem-free tournament, and to everyone who played. My special thanks to "Terrible" Ted Lockhert, whose turkey sandwich lunch completed my Thanksgiving weekend.

Huber (4-1) over Haessel (5-0) in the final round took Greg to a tie for first place: Greg Huber - Dale Haessel

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.g3 e6 7.Bg2 Be7 8.0-0 0-0 9.a4 Qc7 10.Kh1 Nc6 11.Nb3 Bd7 12.a5 Ne5 13.f4 Nc4 14.Qe2 Rac8 15.e5 Ne8 16.Re1 dxe5 17.fxe5 Bb4 18.Nd4 Bxa5 19.Qh5 Nxb2 20.Ne4 Bxe1 21.Bxb2 Qb6 22.Nf6+ Nxf6 23.exf6 gxf6 24.Be4 f5 25.Qg5+ Kh8 26.Qf6+ Kg8 27.Nxf5 Qxb2 28.Nh6# (1-0)

The round 5 battle of the two 4-0 leaders ended with Haessel alone on top:

Dale Haessel - Franck Pellerin 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Nf6 4.d3 Bc5 5.c3 d6 6.b4 Bb6 7.a4 a6 8.0-0 0-0 9.Re1 Ne7 10.Bb3 Be6 11.Nbd2 h6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 c6 14.Bxa7 Rxa7 15.Ra2 Ng6 16.d4 exd4 17.Nxd4 d5 18.Nxe6 fxe6 19.exd5 exd5 20.Ne3 Ne4 21.Nxd5 Kh8 22.Rxe4 cxd5 23.Qxd5Qf624.Qd2Qg525.g3Raa826.Qe3 Qh5 27.Rd2 b5 28.Bd1 Qf5 29.Bg4 Qf6 30.Re6 (1-0)

In this interesting fourth round game, Haessel knocked Walker from the lead:

Warrick Walker - Dale Haessel 1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.c3 Nf6 4.e5 Nd5 5.Bc4 Qc7 6.Qe2 Nb6 7.Bd3 Nc6 8.Nf3 e6 9.0-0 dxc3 10.Nxc3 d6 11.Bf4 a6 12.exd6 Bxd6 13.Bxd6 Qxd6 14.Rfd1 Qe7 15.Rac1 0-0 16.Ne4 e5 17.Neg5 g6 18.Bb1 Bg4 19.Qe3 Nd7 20.Ne4 Rfd8 21.Qg5 Qxg5 22.Nexg5 Nd4 23.Rc7 Rac8 24.Rxc8 Rxc8 25.h3 Bxf3 26.Nxf3 Nxf3+ 27.gxf3 Rc7 28.Be4 Kf8 29.Kg2 Ke7 30.Kg3 Nf6 31.Bb1 Rd7 32.Rxd7+Kxd733.a3Nh5+34.Kg4h635.b4 b6 36.h4 Nf4 37.Ba2 f6 38.Bc4 a5 39.bxa5 bxa5 40.a4 Kd6 41.Bf7 h5+ 42.Kg3 Kc5 43.Be8Kd444.Kh2Kd345.Kg1Kd246.Bf7 Ke1 47.Be8 g5 48.hxg5 fxg5 49.Bc6 Nh3+ 50.Kg2Nxf251.Be8Nd352.Kg3Nf453.Bc6 Ke2 54.Be4 Ke3 55.Bc6 h4+ 56.Kh2 Kf2 57.Be4 Ne2 58.Kh3 Kg1 59.Kg4 Nf4 60.Kxg5 h3 61.Kf5 h2 62.Kxe5 h1=Q 63.Kxf4 Kf2 (0-1)

Pellerin kept pace with Haessel at 4-0: Arthur Odachowski - Franck Pellerin 1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3 c6 5.Bg5 dxc4 6.a4 Nbd7 7.e4 Qa5 8.Bd2 Bb4 9.Bxc4 0-0 10.0-0 e5 11.d5 cxd5 12.Bxd5 Nb6 13.Nxe5 Nbxd5 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.Nxd5 Bxd2 16.Ne7+ Kh8 17.Nc4 Qc7 18.Nxc8 Qxc419.Nxa7Rxa720.Qxd2Rxa421.Rac1 Qa6 22.Rc2 Qb6 23.Qd7 Rd4 24.Qe7 Kg8 25.Rc7 Rd2 26.Rxb7 Qc6 27.Re1 Rdd8 28.b4 Rde8 (0-1).

continued on page 10...

The Alberta Chess Report (ACR) is published four times per year by the Alberta Chess Association (ACA). Uncredited articles were written by the Editor. Opinions expressed don't necessarily represent those of the ACA.

Editor: Len Steele

Alberta Chess Association Box 11839 Main P.O. Edmonton, Alberta T5J 3K9

ACA Board of Directors

President: Ted Wilson
Vice-President: Barney Fegyverneki
Secretary: Dale Haessel
Treasurer: John Quiring
Past-President: Ford Wong

Directors: Rand Dodd, Phil Lefkowitz, David Ottosen, Len Steele, Brian Starkes, Bernie Tynan, Paul Usselman, Warrick Walker.

Membership Fees

ACA-Senior \$5 per year
ACA-Junior \$3 per year
ACA-Participating \$1 per year
"Junior" & "Participating" memberships to
those 17 years of age or less (submit birthdate). Participating members don't get En
Passant or ACR. Life memberships available. Chess Federation of Canada membership includes ACA (required for Albertans):
sr-\$30; jr-\$18; partic.-\$8/year. Provide
player's full name, address and CFC number
(if previous member). State if female. If

ACR Deadline

sending info to ACA, phone # appreciated.

Material for inclusion in the next ACR should be received by: Jan. 15/94. 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: Rosemont Community Assoc. Hall 2807-10 St NW. Tues., 7:00-11:00. Info: Barney Fegyverneki (243-6351; mail: c/o 1724-49 Ave SW, Calgary T2T 2T9).

EDMONTON CC

Meets: New site (see report on p. 7): Marie Anne Gaboury Centre, 8711-82 Ave, Thurs., 7:00-11:00. Parking behind building. 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, President (mail: c/o Queen's Bakery & Cafe, P.O. Box 3217, Hinton T0E 1C0).

Northern Communities CC Info: Bernie Tynan (689-2476; mail: Box 558, Boyle T0A 0M0).

RIMBEY CC

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

RED DEER CC

Meets: New site: Red Deer College, rm 907, Tues., 7:00-11:00 (to May long weekend). Info: Henry Vandervaart (341-3415, c/o #307, 40 Cardinal Ave, Red Deer T4P 2T1).

University of Alberta CC
Meets: SUB (basement), approx. 11:004:00 weekdays, September-April.
Info: Dave Bullas (440-3966; mail: Box 92,
SUB, U of A, Edmonton T6G 2J7).

'93 » Canadian Chess Challenge « '94

The report in the August ACR didn't list the top 3 teams in 1993: 1-Quebec (90/108); 2-British Columbia (79); 3-Ontario (76). As the report did say, Alberta was 4th again.

School players and teachers wanting info on rules and deadlines for conducting school, regional and provincial playdowns for the 1994 Challenge can contact Phyliss Flower, Provincial Coordinator: 1339 Lake Ontario Dr SE, Calgary T2J 4X9 (278-3842). If you can volunteer a little time to help with playdowns, please contact Phyliss (also, there is still a need for donations to help with the Alberta team's air travel costs!).

Top-Rated Albertans

(from Sept 24/93 CFC list)

grom sept 24/93 CF	C (ISI)
Lev Gorelik	2341(/5)*
Arniel Frialde	2306
Greg Huber	2278
Arthur Odachowski	2263
Dale Haessel	2249
Rob Gardner	2227
Andrew Paduch	2180
Chris Demers	2168
Sardul Purewal	2165
Ted Wilson	2151
Neil Sharp	2130
John Parrott	
Farzan Nazarian	2079
Barney Fegyverneki	
Paul Usselman	
Hafiz Karmali	2045
Adam Wu	2041
Jim Daniluk	
Christiaan Dartana	2029
Réjean Plante	
Lev Becker	
Wilf Lahrkamp	
1	

* = provisional rating (/games played). Only current or 'recent' (expired in about the past year) 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; Z. Baunok 2194; G. Campbell 2160; B. Willis 2160; M. Rabljenovic 2145; O. Farid 2058; D. Billings 2027; K. Salmon 2013; L. Yeudall 2013 (/4).

Qualifying for the 1994 Alberta Closed

Players who want to be sure they meet qualification requirements should check the rules published on page 10 of the August/93 ACR. Written registration must be received by March 10, 1994—invitations are not issued.

Did you know that ...

- Ted Wilson is the new President, for 1993-95, of the ACA. There are also some new Directors. See column 1, this page.
- •Geologists discovered that recent jumps on seismometers weren't earthquakes, but tremors from shaking buildings wherever Ford Wong (Mr. Big ZZZ) was sleeping. Anyone know a good laser surgeon?

In Memoriam

We regret to report that **Tony Peredo** suddenly became very ill in September while playing in a tournament at the Calgary Chess Club, and passed away a very short time later. Tony was a talented player, and was noted for his sharp and rapid play. Earlier this year he was the winner of the Alberta Active Championship.

NEWS FROM THE ACA

President's Report to the 1993 ACA Annual General Meeting (modified slightly from the report by outgoing President Ford Wong)

1993 has been a busy but quiet year. The first part of the year was covered in uncertainty as to whether or not the ACA would get \$7,500 funding from the Alberta Government (and whether the amount might be reduced). Life must go on, so the ACA proceeded with the projects planned for 1993 using funds in our bank account. The following are some achievements in 1993 so far:

The Alberta Closed was won by Arniel Frialde. Unfortunately, we were unable to host an Alberta Women's Closed. Other Alberta champions were Beatrice Wu (Cadet) and Andrew Paduch (Junior). The ACA paid for Beatrice's travel to the Canadian Cadet and will be paying for travel to the Canadian Junior. There was no Canadian Closed or Canadian Women's Closed in 1993, so travel funds weren't required here.

The ACA provided modest funding to the Calgary Junior Chess Club to help keep junior chess in Calgary going.

The ACA experimented with "active" chess by adding the Calgary March Active, the Alberta Active, and the Edmonton June Active—all one day events. They were successful for Calgary, but unclear for Edmonton as there were only ten players in the latter (this could be due to bad timing: June may be a bad month). Another new tournament, the "Alberta Reserves", was deemed a success.

In May, the ACA hosted the Canadian Chess Challenge Finals in Edmonton, which was a major success. We got hosting grants from Alberta Parks and Rec and from the City of Edmonton. In addition, the ACA will be spending \$4,000 from casino revenues to reimburse Larry Bevand (of Chess N'Maths), who provided the majority of the funding.

In July the ACA hosted its first major fund raising effort, a Casino in Calgary, which will net the ACA over \$21,000. I am proud to have been involved in this and am especially proud of the many volunteers who helped out. This project tells us that the ACA can raise funds if it wants to. These revenues will allow the ACA to consider hosting some major national tournament(s) in the future and to fund existing projects. Note that the spending of casino money is tightly controlled by the Alberta Gaming Commission—it cannot be spent on "just anything".

On a sad note, Branko Georgijevic passed away. Branko was instrumental in getting chess going in northeastern Alberta and was a key organizer in that area. His dedicated effort in promoting chess was most valuable.

This year the ACA received RPW funding for two projects: \$2,000 for "Time For Chess" and \$1,600 for "Outreach Community Chess Challenge". For the former the ACA gave 10 clocks to the Edmonton CC, 10 clocks to the Calgary CC, 5 clocks to each of the Edmonton Junior CC, Calgary Junior CC, Red Deer CC and Grande Prairie CC—5 clocks remain to be distributed. For the Outreach project the ACA will be hosting amateur chess tournaments in Lethbridge, Athabasca and Grande Prairie.

To date, the planned tournaments for 1993 have been hosted, with the Southern Alberta Open, the Winter Open and some junior championship tournaments left to be done. The Southern Alberta Open in Calgary, which is an Alberta Closed qualifier and is considered a major ACA tournament, has been a disappointment in recent years and it is hoped that more people will come out to support it.

In 1993, several major policy changes were made by the ACA Board to help reduce costs:

- Our representatives to Canadian National Tournaments are required to help pay part of the travel costs. The ACA covers 75% of travel to a maximum of \$500. Alberta reps would also be required to pay the entry fee. Eligibility rules for travel support were changed.
- 10% of entry fees are to be used to assist in room rental costs for ACA tournaments.
- For closed tournaments which were free in the past, players would be required to pay at least the rating fee.
- 4. Although it increases expenditures, the ACA, in recognition of the work of its volunteers, will provide honoraria for all ACA sponsored tournaments. This is unfortunate for those organizers who looked after junior chess in the past and never got honoraria. Note: the ACA added several new tournaments to it's annual tournament schedule.
- Travel costs to the Alberta Closed were dropped.

If all the projects planned for 1993 were implemented, the overall budget projected a \$1,500 loss (excluding casino income). Not all planned projects were used (e.g. travel to Canadian Closed) but there were some unexpected expenditures, such as room rental for two tournaments in Edmonton.

The \$7,500 government grant was received in September. With the Alberta Gov-

ernment trying to reduce the deficit, there is no guarantee what this funding will be in subsequent years. Government funding has been a major contributor towards helping the ACA promote chess in Alberta and has given chess players many benefits (such as travel to National Tournaments, bigger prize funds because room rental expenses weren't deducted from entry fees, and support for the ACR). Additional funding for special projects is also provided from the RPW Foundation. I encourage everyone to write to the Premier, the Minister of Alberta Community Development and to their MLA's to tell them that government support to sports and recreation organizations such as the ACA is well spent and that it helps improve the quality of life of Albertans.

I would like to stress that the ACA is wholly dependent on its volunteer base, without whom there would not be the tournaments and projects that there currently are. In many cases a few people do most of the work. It would be nice if more people were able to help out, which would help prevent volunteer burnout. The ACA always needs willing volunteers—if you are able to help, please offer your services. Even if you are inexperienced, the ACA is willing to train or provide assistance. We always welcome suggestions. However, good suggestions often can't be acted upon because enough people can't be found to help out.

In retrospect, I found my three years as ACA President to be a challenge—sometimes fun and sometimes a lot of work. It was a learning experience in several ways as I sometimes had to deal with difficult people, and other times found that people can be overly sensitive. I made some mistakes and found out the hard way, but I did the best that I could. I hope that I did not offend too many people or hamper chess in any way. Unfortunately, I can not continue as President.

Being President did have some positive points in that I got to understand competitive chess in Alberta a lot better, met a lot of people, put faces to names, made some new friends, and miraculously gained 150 rating points to reach the magical plus-2000 rating with very little study. I'm not sure if this was a coincidence or a conspiracy that happened since I became President.

I believe that the existing members on the ACA Board are a good team of dedicated individuals and that they'll be able to help the next ACA President make the transition an easy one. As Past-President, I will still be on the Board of Directors to provide guidance.

For the future, I would like to stress that the ACA needs to do more in the area of Leadership and remind the Board that within the next two years the Alberta Government

will be re-evaluating the funding group which includes the ACA (if funding is still available) and that the ACA should do its best to meet or exceed all government requirements. In addition, I believe that ways must be found to increase our existing membership and to promote junior chess. Within the next couple of years, it looks like Alberta will be without any strong cadet and junior players. Work must begin now to train our young players. I thank Phyliss Flower for her effort in organizing the Alberta portion of the Canadian Chess Challenge, which is a start in this area. On a different note, I hope that the people in Saskatoon will be able to find another weekend to host their "Prairie Open" which conflicts with the "Alberta Open". (A switch of weekends with Winnipeg, e.g. Labor Day for Thanksgiving, would provide much less competition for the Alberta Open, which has been on the Thanksgiving long weekend for decades. The Saskatoon organizers compete for Alberta players, even via direct mailing to at least some Alberta players. To help attract our players to our premier open tournament, the '94 Alberta Open in Edmonton may require a prize fund and advertising campaign competitive with the Prairie Open.—ed.) Chess players should be able to play in both tournaments. I've talked to them and am optimistic.

I encourage anyone who is interested in the future of chess in Alberta and would like to help guide chess activity in the province to run for a position on the ACA Board of Directors.

In closing, I thank the following who helped me out considerably when I was President: Len Steele, whom I consider to be the "guru" on the mountain and who could always be counted on for advice when needed; John Quiring, whose dedicated, fun nature and logical attitude kept me in line whenever I started to go astray and who has as Treasurer done an incredible job looking after the ACA's money; Barney Fegyverneki, Rob Gardner and Craig Vokey, who came to the rescue whenever I needed someone to help organize or run tournaments; Louis Wang, who always got us into the U of A; and the Board members who supported my projects and ideas. Lastly, I would like to thank everyone who indirectly helped by supporting ACA tournaments.

To conclude, to everyone I would like to say: "You don't have to call me Mr. Big anymore...just call me Ford!".

(Thanks to Ford for the GREAT amount of time, effort and dedication to Alberta Chess during his presidency! Many just don't realize how much it takes to do the job—and how much it can take out of the person doing it. By the way, how about "Mr. Past-Big"?)

ACA Plan Report for 1993 (modified slightly from the report by outgoing President Ford Wong)

The Plan Report is an addendum to the President's Report and highlights several things which were not fully covered in that report.

The Planning Committee for 1993 consisted of Ford Wong, John Quiring and Len Steele. Guidance for the Plan was provided at a Planning Meeting of the ACA Board of Directors held in Red Deer in January. The RPW Grant requests and reports were completed by Ford Wong.

Changes to the 1993 Plan (from the 1992 Plan) were:

- Projects not continued in 1993: business cards; training for junior players; international chess events participation project; junior chess outreach; Calgary school team tournament; Edmonton school team tournament.
- Projects added for 1993:
 RPW grants requested for "Time For Chess" and for "Community Chess Challenge Outreach/Education"; Alberta Reserves; Alberta Active; Calgary March Active; Edmonton June Active; Canadian Chess Challenge Finals.

The initial plan for 1993 was for a breakeven budget, but several expenditures had not been included at first, and as a result a \$1,500 loss (ignoring Casino revenues) was projected for 1993 if all expenditures were realized. However, some major expenditures (e.g. travel to the Canadian Closed and the Canadian Women's Closed) weren't needed, so the ACA may break even in 1993.

For 1993, the ACA received a \$7,500 grant from Alberta Tourism, Parks and Recreation for base funding, a \$2,000 RPW grant for the "Time For Chess" project and a \$1,600 RPW grant for "Community Chess Challenge Outreach/Education". The latter amount is the unspent amount from the 1992 RPW Grant for the same project.

To permit comparison to previous years: in 1992 the ACA got an \$8,100 grant from Alberta Tourism, Parks and Recreation, \$1,500 RPW for Canadian Chess Challenge Finals, and \$2,000 RPW for Community Chess Challenge Outreach/Education, while in 1991 we got a \$9,500 base grant and \$2,500 RPW (Junior Chess Outreach).

It is my understanding that the \$7,500 is for the final funding group into which the ACA has been placed, and that this is the level of funding expected for 1994, barring any major changes by Ralph Klein and the Alberta Government in their pursuit to reduce the deficit. The funding groups for all Association's are to be re-evaluated in 1994.

Under 1800 / 1800 and Over by John Quiring, TD

My first CFC-rated tournament was the 1976 Ontario Open (won by Lawrence Day; Fred South tied for 2nd and Brian Hartman was 65th—I don't think he was an IM then). I couldn't play any top players, as I was in a different section. Tournaments were generally played in sections back then: Premier or Open for players rated 1800 and above; Intermediate (1400-1800); and Amateur or Novice (below 1400). This lead to fewer mismatches, but lower-rated players never had the chance to play Canada's best.

Today, most tournaments are one section, and mismatches abound. Low-rateds get the opportunity to be thrashed by a Master, and once in a blue moon someone extracts a draw or win against a vastly superior opponent. Even large tournaments like the Canadian Open are one section, and you are lucky if you play even one game against an opponent rated within 100 points of yourself.

Alberta has only one weekend sectional tournament, the "Over/Under 1800", and close competition was expected as 21 players gathered at Edmonton's Riviera Hotel on Sept. 18. The site was unknown until the week before the event, which hurt attendance, and with only five players over 1800, a round robin was played in that section. Greg Huber flew in from Vancouver and arrived just in time to play, but three gruelling games on the first day was too much to ask. Rob Gardner showed no mercy, beating Greg en route to a perfect score. Rob promised to provide an annotated game from this event, although he can't make the time deadline for this issue. Watch for it later this decade.

1800 and Over final standings: Rob Gardner 4.0; Greg Huber 2.5; Adam Wu 1.5; Chris Dartana 1.0; Eric Schocat 1.0.

The Under 1800 had 16 players, and Dean Mah was a full point ahead going into the last round, despite having played tougher opponents than any one else. Top-rated Gerhard Reuter beat him, however, when Reuter's gaggle of pawns stormed down the side of the board toward a lonely and overmatched bishop. Joining them both in a 3-way tie for first with 4/5 was Barry Bell.

Six players wu ("who"-ed.) finished with 2.5 all won prizes, jointly sharing Junior and Under 1600 money. They were Wu, Wu, Wu, Nathan McLean, Aaron Lovi, and Richard Kirby. Congrats to the winners and thanks to all for attending. Special thanks to Ford Wong for organizing the tournament.

I like tournaments with sections. Competition for prizes is more even and games more interesting. If you agree, tell an ACA Board member or write to the ACR editor.

A Chess Summer by John Quiring

Circumstances beyond my control gave me the opportunity to play in several chess tournaments this summer. Though detrimental to the pocketbook, there is much to be said for the rest and relaxation associated with a totally self-indulgent life style. (Of course, you don't want to overdo it; I think I'd probably get bored in 30 or 40 years.)

My chess results started off very poorly, but kept improving with each tournament. This was solely due to the numerous games I was playing—I've found that, if I play often, it's hard to avoid learning a lesson or two. The 50 rated games I've played already this year are far more than I usually play per year, although I'm sure perennial "most active" player Doug Burgess would only smirk scornfully at these two-digit numbers.

Canadian Open, London, Ontario

Does it make sense to drive 19 hours a day on consecutive days and then try to play chess? Today it seems a bit less clever than it did in July. I lost my first 3 games against far lower rated players, and ended with 5/10, having never played a higher rated opponent—my worst tournament result ever.

Even before the tournament started there were indications that things would not go well for me. While I was registering on the evening before Round 1, a vicious thunderstorm ripped through my campsite, drenching all my stuff. The high winds littered the streets with broken branches and caused power outages throughout the city. Across the street from the tournament site, in Victoria Park, several huge maple trees were virtually split in two, as branches that were at least 75 feet long came crashing to the ground.

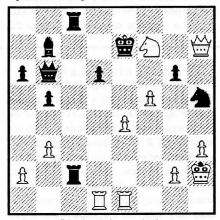
I think about my 100 point rating loss when I read letters in *En Passant* about sandbagging (i.e. deliberately losing games to get a lower rating, so as to win future prizes in lower rating classes—see June and August 1993 issues). The understandable umbrage directed toward this practice must be weighed against the potential for false accusations. Even the implication of impropriety could tarnish a reputation, so I tend to be a bit uncomfortable with talk of cracking down on such people. After all, it is clearly true that occasionally everyone makes horrible moves, and has horrible results.

Needless to say, I'll not be publishing my games from this event; trust me, there's no point. However, it was great to attend the Annual Meeting again and renew friendships that exist for one week each year. Lembit Joselin gave me a bill worth 5 krooni in

Estonia. It features a picture of Paul Keres, a man widely regarded as one of the best chess players who never won the world championship. This indicates how popular chess is in other countries. Can you imagine sports heroes on Canadian currency?

Winnipeg Open

Nineteen players showed up for this tournament at the Winnipeg Chess Centre, which lives in a room in an old library, and I was struck immediately by the pictures on the walls of chess players, young and old, world champions, contenders and local heroes—great stuff. It was also good to meet some of the players whose names I recognized from reading Exclam!, the Manitoba Chess Association's magazine. My score was a satisfactory 4/6, with losses to masters Barry Rasmussen in rd 2 and Art Prystenski inrd 6 (published in EnPassant #122). Here's a problem-like position from round 5:



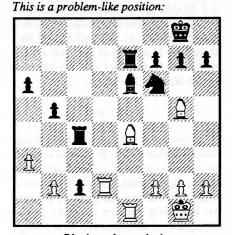
Black to play and win

This position is from Nikulin-Quiring. White has had the better game, but made an inaccurate move at the moment of victory, allowing Black the chance to unleash a mating combination: 1...Rxg2+ 2.Kh1 or 2.Kxg2 Rc2+ 3.Kf3 (3.Kh1 Ng3#) Qf2+ 4.Kg4 Qf4# 2...Rh2+! 3.Kxh2 Qf2+ 4.Kh1 Ng3#.

Fall Primer, Saskatoon

Ford Wong, Dave Ottosen and I travelled to Saskatoon for the Fall Primer, a five round tournament held in the lobby of a scientific research building. During certain hours, annoying shadows crossed some chess boards, but overall the site was quiet and well lit, which are my main requirements for playing chess. I scored 3.5/5, including a win over Nathan Steingart in round 2. Nathan is a junior, rated near 1900. To me, good juniors like him always seem to be underrated, and with Nathan's first round victory over master Knut Neven lurking in my mind, I wasn't feeling particularly confident.

John Quiring—Nathan Steingart 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nc6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Be3 Nf6 7.a3 d5 8.exd5 exd5 9.Be2 Be7 10.Bf3 Be6 11.0-0 Qc7 12.Re1 Rd8 I'm satisfied with my position at this point. Now I have to decide how to proceed into the middle game, and that's always a problem for me. There are several options: attack the isolated pawn on d4; exchange on e6, then attack the backward pawn on e6; play Na4, putting pressure on b6 and c5 and preparing to grab space on the queen side. This is where a basic lack of understanding of chess positions really hurts. 13.Bg5 Nxd4 14.Qxd4 0-0 15.Re2 Rd7 16.R1e1 Rc8 17.Na4? This serves no purpose. 18.Nb6 is not a threat, due to 18... Bc5, and Black now takes the initiative. 17...b5 18.Bf4 Qa5 19.Nc3 Rc4 20.Qd2 d4 20... Bxa3, ripping into White's queen side, doesn't quite work. 21.bxa3 leaves the knight on c3 hanging, so White must try 21.Ral d4 22.Nxb5! Qxb5 23.Rxa3, when Black is left with weak pawns and must guard against back rank threats, e.g. 23...Qxb2? 24.Rb3 threatens Rb8+. Probably better than 22...Qxb5 is 22...Qxd2 23.Rxd2 axb5 24.Rxa3 h6, when Black's pawns are a long-term weakness, but are not easy to win, e.g. 25.Be5 Ng4 26.Bxg4 Bxg4 27 Rd3 Bf5 wins the pawn on c2. 21.Nd5 Qxd2 22.Nxe7+ Rxe7 23.Rxd2 d3 Threatens the bishop on f4. 24.Bg5 dxc2 25.Be4? Both players are in desperate time pressure already, with 20 moves to go before time control, and both miss the following move.



Black to play and win.

The bishop cannot be captured. 25...Nxe4 26.Rd8+ wins. Or 25... Rxe4 26.Rd8+ and the queening square is covered by the bishop. For the same reason, 25...cl(Q) fails to 26.Rd8+. The winning move is 25...Bd7. Now the dual threats of 26...cl(Q) and 26...R7xe4 are decisive. 25...Rd7 26.Rxd7 Nxd7 The rest is sloppy, due to time pressure. This is the only game I've ever played which had to be reconstructed afterward because neither player had time to record

the moves. 27.Bd3 Rc8 28.Rc1 Bb3 29.Kf1 Nc5 30.Ke2 Re8+ 31.Be3 Nxd3 32.Kxd3 Rd8+ 33.Kc3 Rd1? 34.Kxb3 Kf8 35.Kxc2 Rxc1+ 36.Kxc1 and Black resigned after time control was reached (1-0).

Saskatoon is a long way to go just to play chess, but I'm sure I'll do it again some day. Ford and Dave are good travelling companions, and Dave's mooing is coming along just fine. The trip highlight, of course, was Ford's eviction from his hotel room at 3 a.m. He'll simply have to learn to conduct his nighttime activities more quietly.

Edmonton Open

For the second time in three years I scored 5 straight wins to capture first (the only two tournaments I've ever won, incidentally). In the following last round game, White gains a distinct advantage from the opening, then engages in patient maneuvering which backfires when Black gets a dangerous c-pawn. In the end, however, Black cannot survive his constricted position.

John Quiring - Alex Kuti (round 5) 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Nf6 4.0-0 d6 5.Re1 Be7 6.c3 0-0 7.h3 Bd7 8.d4 a6 9.Ba4 b5 10.Bc2h611.Nbd2Nh712.Nf1Ng513.Ng3 Nxf3+14.Qxf3 exd4 15.Nf5 Ne5 16.Nxe7+ Qxe7 17.Qg3 d3 18.Bb1 Kh8 19.f4 d2 20.Bxd2Nc421.Bc1 Rae822.b3 Na523.Bb2 f6 24.Bc2 c5 25.e5 f5 26.c4 bxc4 27.exd6 Qf7 28.Qc3 cxb3 29.axb3 Nb7 30.Rxa6 Rxe1+ 31.Qxe1 Re8 32.Be5 Qg6 33.Qc3 Rc8 34.Qd2 Qf7 35.Bd1 Kh7 36.Qd3 c4 37.Qg3 Nc5 38.Rb6 Ne4 39.Qe3 c3 40.Bc2 Nf6 41.Qd4 Ne4 42.Rb7 Ng3 43.Qe3 Nh5 44.Qa7Rd845.Rc7Nf646.Rxc3Nd547.Rg3 g6 48.Bd3 Nb4 49.Bc4 Qe8 50.Re3 Nc6 51.Qc5 Nxe5 52.Rxe5 (1-0).

Alberta Open

I travelled to Calgary with Ford Wong, Dave Ottosen and Peter Beresinski to attend the Alberta Open, organised and directed by Barney Fegyverneki. The site was great—roomy and well lit—and from my perspective everything ran very smoothly. I even managed to get the chance to browse through the chess books in Jim Van Wyck's book store. This, together with consuming vast amounts of pizza, made for a fine weekend.

I scored 3.5/6, and wasn't too happy with some of my play. In my round 3 game, Rand Dodd said "That's stalemate, isn't it?" and to my enormous surprise it was; hasty, careless play has a way of sneaking up on you. Against Dave Ottosen, I was thoroughly thrashed until he hung his queen. Here's a better effort:

Fall Primer in Saskatoon by David Ottosen

The Alberta Travelling Chess Team went to Saskatoon in August to participate in the Fall Primer. Regrettably, we (Ford Wong, John Quiring and myself—since John has written his story, I'll stick to the sad exploits of Ford and myself) were without our spiritual leader and designated tournament winner, Rob Gardner, who, in an obvious case of misplaced priorities, decided to stay home to visit with his sister. In any case, it was probably best that he missed this, as the Saskatchewan players looked upon us much like a 1.e4 player might look on the Sicilian Dragon; that is, as fresh meat.

Our troubles began in round 1, when Ford was upset by a 1700 who obviously wasn't aware that this was "Mr. Big" he was beating, whereas I, clearly distracted (see game below), overlooked a forced mate against my 1900 opponent. The other shock of the round was Nathan Steingart dispatching master Knut Neven. We concluded that our poor start was due to fatigue from the

Bill Bentley - John Quiring (round 5) 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d65.f4 The Four Pawn Attack. The night before, after the pairings were known, Dave Ottosen drew my attention to the game Bentley-Dartana in the last ACR, which featured this opening, and he helped me prepare for it using MCO and ECO. He also drew my attention to Spraggett-Marin, En Passant #118, which featured this opening. Knowing some book lines sure helps my confidence. For a guy who has only being playing chess for a year, Dave seems to know a lot of stuff. 5...0-06.Nf3 c5 7.dxc5 Qa5 8.Bd3 Qxc5 9.Qe2 Nc6 10.Be3 Qa5 11.Rc1 Bg4 12.0-0 Nd7 13.Qd2 We have reached a book position, ECO E76. The book gives only one continuation: 13...Nc5 14.Bb1 Bxf3 15.Rxf3 Qb4! But Kevin Spraggett obviously disagrees with the exclamation point given to Qb4, since he writes in his article: "The move 16.Rf2 refutes the whole system. 16...Qxc4 17.Nd5 Qa4 18.b3 Qa3 19.b4! Na6 20.b5! and wins the piece for two or three P's and keeps White's big positional advantage." 13...Rac8 14.Bb1 a6 15.h3 Bxf3 16.Rxf3 b5 17.cxb5 axb5 18.Rf2 Nb6 19.b3 Rfd8 20.Kh1 e6 21.f5 d5 22.fxe6fxe623.Bg5Rd724.exd5Bothmiss 24 Nxb5, winning a pawn, as 24...Qxb5 is answered by 25.Bd3 Qb4 26.Rxc6 Qxd2 27.Rxc8+. 24...Ne5 25.Qe3 R7c7 26.Bf6 Bxf6 27.Rxf6 Nxd5 28.Qxe5 Nxf6 29.Qxf6 Qb630.b4Qe331.Ne4Rxc1+32.Kh2Qg1+ 33.Kg3 Qe3+ 34.Kh2 R1c6 35.Ng5 Rf8 36.Qe7 Qf4+ 37.Kh1 Rc1+ (0-1)

long drive (full of cattle imitations and discussions on the soundness of "Tartakover's" defense), and vowed to get a good night's sleep to be ready for the morning round.

Alas, it was not to be (for Ford and I, anyway). At approximately 2 a.m. we received a phone call from the front desk, asking whoever was snoring to stop. This nameless person did his best, but it was less than an hour before the next phone call, asking us if we would move down the hall to a room that had no neighbours. We sleepily agreed, and after trudging over, we went back to sleep. The interesting part is that Ford and I were supposed to play in the morning; undoubtedly a well-calculated gambit on Ford's part.

However, the TD decided that, since we had come all that way together, he could flip the pairings, and Ford picked up a quick win against one of the dreaded Steingarts, in what proved to be a common trend for the three of us. I, meanwhile, was smashed in short order, in what also proved to be a common (but somewhat alarming) trend. In round 3, Ford was held to a draw by Nathan Steingart, while I fumbled and bumbled my way to a loss against a 1300. This round also saw Neven being defeated again, by Tom Corsmeier, prompting Neven's withdrawal. Round 4 had me sitting out with an extremely well-deserved bye, while Ford ground out a win with another 1300. Round 5 was a true capper, as I finally "won" a game, where I was two pawns down when my opponent (Walter Steingart) unexpectedly decided to sacrifice a piece for dubious (actually no) compensation, while Ford was being driven headlong into time pressure by Corsmeier, which eventually claimed him.

So, I finished with a none-too-special 1.5/5, with Ford not too far ahead at 2.5, while John mocked us from afar at 3.5. The tournament finished in a tie between several players, including giant killer Corsmeier, at 4/5. The only real positive in this massive sacrifice to the rating gods was our collective score over the Steingart family: 3-0-1. However, the tournament was well run, and (while I wasn't playing, anyway) we had lots of fun. Thanks to John for driving.

G. Huczek - D. Ottosen (round 1)
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6
5.Nc3 e5 6.Ndb5 d6 7.Bg5 a6 8.Na3 b5
9.Bxf6 gxf6 10.Nd5 f5 11.exf5 Bxf5
12.Bxb5?! axb5 13.Nxb5 Ra4 Given an exclam by Sveshnikov; the idea seems to be to tempt White to go into the line that follows.
14.Nbc7+ Kd7 15.Nb6+ Kxc7 16.Nxa4 White has an R and two P's for his B and N, but he has no development, whereas Black has open lines for attack. 16...Rg8 17.Qd5

Be6 18.Qb5 Qb8 19.Qd3? I thought White would be better off trying to head for an ending instead of playing for some sort of queen attack against my exposed king. 19...Qb4+ 20.Nc3 Rxg2 21.O-O-O Rxf2 22.Nd5+?! White generously trades off his best defensive piece. 22...Bxd5 23.Qxd5 Nd4! 24.Kb1? Like it or not, he should have played 24 Rxd5 and accepted his piece deficit. 24... Nxc2??? My "idea" was Na3+, and mate. I shamefacedly admit that I considered 24...Rxc225.Qxf7+Kb6! mating, but wanted to avoid "complications"—the only thing I avoided was winning. My only excuse is that on the board beside me John had just dropped a rook to his 1600 opponent, distracting me-yep, the rook was in my eyes! 25.Rc1! and after 15 more moves I resigned—is this game really any fun? (1-0).

Tom Corsmeier (1648) - Ford Wong (2032) 1.f4 b6 2.b3 Bb7 3.Bb2 e6 4.Nf3 Nf6 5.e3 d5 6.Be2 Nc6 7.0-0 Qd7 8.Bb5 0-0-0 9.Bxc6 Qxc6 10.Ne5 Qe8 11.d3 Rg8 12.Nd2 Bc5 13.d4 Be7 14.a4 Ne4 15.a5 f6 16.Nef3 g5 17.axb6 axb6 18.Nxe4 dxe4 19.Nd2 gxf4 20.Rxf4 f5 21.Qe2 Bd6 22.Rf2 Rg4 23.Ba3 Bxa3 24.Rxa3 Qe7 25.Ra1 Qg5 26.Nc4 Rf8 [26...Rg8] 27.Ne5 Rh4 28.Raf1 Qh6 29.g3 Rg8 30.Rg2 Rh3 31.Rf4 Qf8 [time pressure] 32.g4 Qa3 33.gxf5 Qc1+ 34.Rf1 Rxg2+ 35.Kxg2 Rxe3 36.Qf2 (1-0)

Calgary Summer Actives, #'s 1-4

#1 (July 6 & 13): Dale Haessel's 5.5/6 was a full point up on Lev Becker, who was awarded 2nd, and Arthur Milne (drew Haessel inround 3). Lee Nagle was Top Under 1800, scoring 3.5, followed at 3.0 by Reinder Sloot, who took 2nd in the category, and Rod Weis.

#2 (July 20 & 27): Dale Haessel deactivated all of his opponents to achieve a 6-0 crunch. Nandor Tot, 5-1, lost only to Haessel. Dave Gomboc led the Top Under 1800 category with 3.5 points, followed by Chuck Mousseau at 3.0.

#3 (August 3 & 10): Nandor Tot and Lev Becker each scored 5-1, with Nandor having the better tiebreak. Arthur Milne, 4-2, was Top Under 2000. Rand Dodd, who defeated Becker in round 1, was also a prize winner.

#4 (August 17 & 24): Jim Van Wyck got the tiebreak nod over Dale Haessel, each scoring 5-1 (Jim defeated Dale in round 4, and had 2 draws). Dave Gomboc was Top Under 1800 with 3.5 points, followed by Rand Dodd at 3.0.

[Arthur Odachowski directed Active #1, and Lee Nagle #4. Barney Fegyverneki directed #'s 2 & 3, and provided crosstables and placements for all 4 tournaments.]

July Open, Calgary by Barney Fegyverneki, TD

A very strong field of 5 masters and 3 experts helped to make this 16-player Swiss a great tournament. Almost withdrawing after a first round draw, Arthur Odachowski came back impressively with 4 straight wins against the contenders to take first place. Greg Huber and Rob Gardner tied for second, a half point behind. There was a 4-way tie for the Top Under 1700 prize, with Branko Palcic, Vern Taerum, David Ottosen and Rand Dodd splitting the honours.

A. Odachowski - M. Badii (round 5) 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Be2 O-O 6.Nf3 e5 7.O-O Nc6 8.d5 Ne7 9.Ne1 Ne8 10.Nd3 f5 11.f4 fxe4 12.Nxe4 exf4 13.Bxf4 Nf6 14.Nxf6 Bxf6 15.Qd2 Nf5 16.g4 Nd4 17.Rae1 c5 18.Bh6 Bg7 19.Bd1 b5 20.Rxf8+ Qxf8 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Qg5 Ba6 23.Nf4 Kh8 24.Re7 Re8 25.Nxg6+ (1-0)

R. Gardner - N. Tot (round 5) 1.e4c52.Nc3d63.g3Nf64.Bg2Nc65.d3e6 6.Nge2 a6 7.O-O Be7 8.h3 O-O 9. Be3 Bd7 10.f4 Qc7 11.g4 Rab8 12.Ng3 Nd4 13.Nce2 Nxe2+ 14.Qxe2 Bc6 15.g5 Nd7 16.f5 exf5 17.Nxf5 Ne5 18.h4 Qd8 19.c3 Bd7 20.a4 Be6 21.Rf4 Qd7 22.Bh3 Ng6 23.Rf2 Bd8 24.h5 Ne7 25.Raf1 Bxf5 26.Bxf5 Nxf5 27.Rxf5 Be7 28.Qg2 Qe6 29.h6 g6 30.R5f2 b5 31.a5 f5 32.gxf6 e.p. Rxf6 33.d4 Rxf2 34.Rxf2 Rf8 35.Rxf8+ Bxf8 36.Qf3 Be7 37.Kg2 Qf6 38.Qxf6 Bxf6 39.Kf3 Kf7 40.dxc5 dxc5 41.Bxc5 g5 42.Bd4 Kg6 43.Bxf6 Kxf6 44.b3 Ke5 45.Ke3 Kd6 46.c4 b447.Kf3 Ke648.Kg4 Ke549.c5 Kd450.c6 (1-0)

G. Huber - A. Odachowski (round 4)
1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.Nge2 d6 4.d4 cxd4
5.Nxd4 Nf6 6.g3 e5 7.Nde2 Be7 8.Bg2 O-O
9.O-O h6 10.Kh1 b6 11.h3 Ba6 12.Re1 Rc8
13.a4 Nb4 14.g4 d5 15.exd5 Bb7 16.Ng3
Nfxd5 17.Nxd5 Bxd5 18.Rb1 Bxg2+
19.Kxg2 Rxc2 20.Qxd8 Rxd8 21.Rxe5 Bf6
22.Re2 Rxe2 23.Nxe2 Rd1 24.Ra1 Nd3
25.Kf3 Rf1 26.Ke3 Nxf2 27.Nf4 Nd1+
28.Ke2 Rh1 29.Be3 Nc3+ 30.Kd3 Rxa1
31.bxc3 Bg5 32.Nd5 Bxe3 33.Kxe3 Rxa4
(0-1)

J. Daniluk - R. Gardner (round 4)
1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.c4 e6 4.g3 Be7 5.Bg2
O-O 6.O-O c5 7.dxc5 Bxc5 8.Qc2 Ne49.Nc3
Nxc3 10.Qxc3 dxc4 11.Bf4 Qb6 12.Qc2 f6
13.Nd2 e5 14.Nxc4 Qc7 15.Bd5+ Kh8
16.Be3 Na6 17.a3 Bh3 18.Rfd1 Rac8
19.Bxc5 Nxc5 20.b4 Ne6 21.Qa2 Nd4 22.e3
Rfd8 23.exd4 Rxd5 24.Nb6 Rxd4 25.Rxd4
axb6 26.Rdd1 Bg4 27.Rdc1 Qxc1+28.Rxc1

CALGARY JUNIOR CHESS CLUB
Site: McDougall United Church, 8516
Athabasca St SE. Entry fee \$2. Anyone interested in playing or in helping out can contact Jim Daniluk at 248-7456.

CJCC Schedule, Saturdays:
November 20
December 18
Register: 9:30 a.m (round 1 at 10:00)

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: November Nightwatch (Nov 6) December Dalliance (Dec 4) Register: 9:30-10:00 a.m. (rd 1 10:15)

LEDUC JUNIOR CHESS CLUB Info: August Hangartner (986-0459).

Edmonton Chess Club Report by Kurt Lauterwald

The 4 round <u>August Open</u> was won by Christiaan Dartana. F. Borloi was 2nd. A. Yamach was First Under 1700, followed by A. Lovi, a junior.

The club has a new meeting place (see listing on page 2)—it's being evaluated on a trial basis (note: it's still possible for the ECC to return to the Oliver Community Hall before the end of 1993, if the members wish).

We have a new slate of officers: Cor Dewindt—President; Mike Beaulieu—Vice-President; Vahid Vejdani—Secretary; Kurt Lauterwald—Treasurer; Robert Davies, Ahmet Yamach, Eric Schocat—Directors.

Rxc1+29.Kg2 e4 30.Qd2 Bf3+31.Kh3 Rd1 32.Qc2 h5 33.Qc8+ Kh7 34.Qf5+ Kh6 35.Qf4+ Kg6 36.Qb8 Kh7 37.Qf4 Rg1 38.Qf5+ Kh6 39.Qf4+ Kg6 40.Qb8 Kh7 41.Qxb7 Kh6 (0-1)

D. Ottosen - B. Bentley (round 4)

1.d4d52.e4dxe43.Nc3Nf64.f3exf35.Nxf3
Bg46.Be3e67.h3Bxf38.Qxf3c69.O-O-O
Nbd710.Bd3Nd511.Nxd5cxd512.Rdf1
Qe713.Kb1g614.h4Bg715.g4O-O16.g5
Rac817.Rf2Qb418.h5Nc519.Qh3Nxd3
20.cxd3Qb521.hxg6?(Bc1)Qxd3+22.Ka1
Qxg623.Rfh2Rc424.Qxh7+Qxh725.Rxh7
Rfc826.a3Rc227.R7h2R8c428.Rxc2Rxc2
29.Kb1Rc430.Rd1a531.Rd3b532.b3Rc8
33.Kb2a434.bxa4bxa45.Rc3Rxc3
36.Kxc3Bf837.Bc1Kg738.Kd3Kg6
39.Ke2Be7(0-1)



ALBERTA JUNIOR CHESS REPORT

(A special section of the Alberta Chess Report, November 1993)



Southern Alberta Junior and Cadet by Jim Daniluk, TD

The Southern Alberta Junior and Cadet Championships took place concurrently on Sept. 25-26, 1993 at the Alberta Vocational Centre, which generously donated the playing site. In each section six players competed for two qualifying spots in the Alberta Junior and Cadet Championships, respectively.

Dave Gomboc won the Junior fairly easily with 4/5. The battle for second came down to the last game. Danny Kiely failed to convert a winning position against Andrew Masterson, allowing Andrew to tie him at 3/5. Andrew qualified on tiebreak for the Alberta Junior, and deserves additional congratulations as he was lowest rated going in.

The Cadet was a TD's dream as the two leaders played in round 5. Amanda Dodd-Flower was victorious, scoring an impressive 5/5. Second went to 9-year old *Jordan Davies*, who's proving to be a formidable new player at the cadet level. Amanda and Jordan qualified for the Alberta Cadet.

Northern Alberta Junior by Rob Gardner, TD

1 Jim Roy 1705 x = = = 1 1 3.5 2 Beatrice Wu 1653 = x 0 1 1 1 3.5 3 Douglas Wu 1510 = 1 x 0 = 1 3.0 4 Cynthia Wu 1524 = 0 1 x = 0 2.0 5 Sherwin Chan 1621 0 0 = = x 1 2.0 6 Jason Ventura 1496 0 0 0 1 0 x 1.0

The field was quite competitive, but the two highest rated, Jim Roy and Beatrice Wu, ended up tying for first. It appears that, with a couple more Wu's in the tournament, Jim could have been held to 2.5. More annotated games will appear once the Rocket refuels.

Sherwin Chan - Jim Roy
1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 e6 3.d4 d5 4.Bf4 c5 5.Nf3
Nc66.cxd5 6.Nb5 threatening Nc7+may be
good. A plausible line is 6...Qa5+7.Qd2
Qxd2+8.Kxd2 Kd8, but White at least gets
the better ending after 9.Nc7 Rb8 10.cxd5
exd5. Also possible is 6...Nh5 7.Qd2 Nxf4
8.Qxf4 Rb8 9.Nc7+ Ke7 which still looks
dangerousfor Black. 6...Nxd5 7.Nxd5 Qxd5
8.e3 cxd4 9.Nxd4 Sherwin sometimes sets
up traps for his opponents. When analyzing
this game, I was tempted by 9...e5 thinking
that after 10.Nxc6 Qxd1+11.Rxd1 exf4,
White would be forced to retreat his knight,
allowing 12...fxe3 with a good ending for

EJCC September Seance "Active"

Sherwin Chan knew the Wu clan was heading down the road to "the tournament", and he thought he'd go too—however, the Wu's headed for the Alberta 1800 & Over and Under 1800 at the Riviera Hotel, but Sherwin ended up at the Main Library, perhaps wondering what happened to the Wu's.

Sherwin's opponents in the Seance also may have wondered what happened when Sherwin ghosted to a perfect 5-0 in the 11-player Swiss directed by Len Steele (somehow co-opted by organizer Ford Wong, who went with Sam Sia to promote chess in Fort Saskatchewan). Sherwin got to spirit away a chess book for his prize. Duncan Campbell was second at 4-1, losing only to Sherwin. Also achieving "plus scores" were Rob Grué, Kris Steinbach (who, in his first rated tournament, got the book prize in the Under 1100 category), and Paul Kirvan.

EJCC October Ogrefest "Active" by Adam Wu

With only 7 players, this 5-round swiss had some very interesting lateround pairings, which were, needless to say, an extremely painful headache for the TD to arrange.

The tournament itself went quickly. Douglas Wu was never in any difficulty, and smashed through the opposition with a perfect 5/5 score. With the sole exception of his game with Douglas, Aaron Lovi was equally dominating, and garnered 4/5 for his efforts.

Black. Then I noticed that 11 Rxd1 threatens 12.Rd8 thus forcing 11...bxc6 when Black loses his e-pawn and gets a positional disadvantage. The move Black actually plays causes White problems. 9...Bb4+ 10.Ke2 Nxd4+ 11.exd4 With and exposed king. White might find life safer with queens off the board. 11.Qxd4 was worth examining. 11...Bd7 12.f3 Bb5+ Since Black has better attacking chances, it might be best for him to keep pieces on. With this move and his next, Black uses two tempos to force the White king and rook to better locations. The isolated d-pawn is a notorious endgame weakness, but I suspect that Black could at the very least have waited for an opportunity to trade into an even better endgame. 13.Kf2 Bxf1 14.Rxf1 0-0 15.a3 Bd6 After the bishop trade, it is clear that Black has the better position. However, it can be argued that Black has the better bishop since it can attack d4, forcing the White bishop to a defensive position. To be considered was 15...Ba5 followed by ...Bb6. As well as attacking the weak pawn, a bishop on b6 would make it harder for White to use the open c-file by covering c5 and c7. 16.Bxd6 Qxd617.Qd3Rfd818.Rad1h619.g3 Until 18...h6, White had relied on the trick of meeting ... Qxh2 with Rh1 (threatening h7) to indirectly protect his h-pawn. 19...Rd7 19...Qb6 with the plan of ...e5, or ...Rd5 followed by ... Rad8, looks more effective.

Unfortunately for Aaron, there was only one book prize.

Unrated Alim Merali caused a bit of a stir with a respectable 2.5/5. He also took part in the only exciting time scramble of the tournament, which he lost on time to Rob Curtis with a piece up.

After the tournament, Mr. Big gave a brief lesson on mating patterns. Other than the fact he had some trouble remembering a few of those patterns, the lesson went well. Such lessons may become a regular feature of the EJCC if all goes well in the future.

20.Rd2 Rad8 21.Rfd1 Qd5 22.Qe4 Qb5 23.Qc2Qb624.Qc3Rd525.Ke3Rb526.b4 a5 27.bxa5 Qxa5 I prefer 27...Qa7 or 27...Rxa5. With the White king exposed, the Black queen looks much better than the White queen. Black could plan on attacking the a-pawn and d-pawn simultaneously. 28.Qxa5 Rxa5 29.Ra1 Kf8 30.Rc2 Ke8 31.Rc7 Rd7 32.Rxd7 Kxd7 If White were now to activate his rook, the game would look rather drawish. Note that 32.a4 would give White's rook more room along the file and Black's less. 33.Kd3 Kd6 34.Ke4 Rb5 35.Ra2 f5+ 36.Ke3 Rb3+ 37.Ke2 Kd5 Black's more active rook will cost White a pawn. White now manages to trade queenside pawns and activate his rook, which still leaves him with good drawing chances. 38.a4 Kxd4 39.a5 Kc5 40.h4 e5 41.a6 bxa6 42.Rxa6 Rb6 43.Ra7 g6 44.Ke3 Kd5 45.Rf7 Ke6 46.Rf8 Rb3+ 47.Kf2 Rb7 48.h5 Leads to a pawn exchange which weakens the Black pawn structure. 48...gxh5 49.Rh8 Kf6 50.Rxh6+ Kg5 51.Rh8 Rb2+ 52.Kf1 Rb6 53.f4+? White gives up another pawn at the point when he is close to securing a draw. 53...exf4 54.gxf4+ Kg4 55.Kf2 Re6 56.Kf1 Re4 57.Kg2 Rxf4 58.Rg8+ Kh4 59.Rg3? Until this move, White may still have had a theoretical draw. There are special difficulties with the f- and h-pawns that can result in a draw even when the superior side has both of these pawns. 59...Rg4 (0-1)

(SEE PAGE 2 FOR CHESS CHALLENGE INFO!)

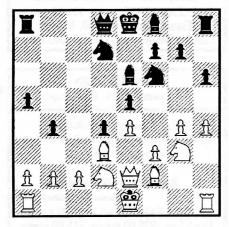
(SEE PAGE 7 FOR JUNIOR CLUB INPO!)

Hungarian Experience, Part II by Michael Yip

(continued from the previous issue)

M. Werner (2350) - M. Yip (2100) [B80] Budapest, April 5, 1993

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Be3 e6 7.f3 b5 8.g4 h6 9.h4 b4 10.Nce2 e5 11.Nb3 d5 12.Ng3 d4 13.Bf2 Be6 14.Bd3 Nbd7 15.Qe2 a5 16.Nd2!?N

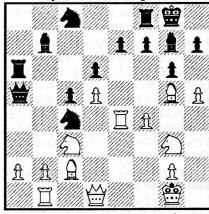


[16.Rg1 (Nunn)] 16...Qc7 17.b3 a4 [interesting and adventurous] 18.Rd1 a3 19.Kf1 0-0-0 20.Ba6+ Kb8 21.Bc4 (draw)

<u>Yip (2100) - Sergienko (2420)</u> [A57] *Kecskemet, May 11, 1993*

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.cxb5 a6 5.e3 axb5 6.Bxb5 Qa5+ 7.Nc3 Bb7 8.e4!? Beliavsky. This heartbreaking loss would be against the strongest player I would face in Hungary. 8.e4 is a fresh idea from Informant 56. 8...Nxe4 9.Nge2 Nd6!?N 10.Ba4 g6 11.0-0 Bg7 12.Bf4 Beliavsky used Bg5-(...h6)-f4 so that f4-5 comes with effect in a similar position. 12...Ra6!? In Beliavsky-Adams White had the bishop on b5 and pawn on a4 so this was not possible. It was not clear why Adams allowed the doubling of his d-pawn (Bxd6). 12...Qb6!? (A) 13.Rel (A1) 13...0-0 (safer) 14.Bxd6 (14.Bc2 Na6 15.a3 Nc7 16.Rb1 Ncb5 17.Od3 Nxc3 18.Nxc3 Bf6 19.Qg3!?= $Nc4\ 20.Bc7\ Qa6\ 21.Bf4\ d6\ 22.h4$ Kg7 23.h5 e5) 14...Qxd6 15.Bb5 Na6 16.a4 Nb4-/+ 17.Qb3 e6 18.Rad1; (A2) 13...Qxb2 14 Rb1 Qa3 15 Bxd6 Bxc3 16 Nxc3 Qxc3 17.Bxe7 Qa5 18.Bf6+ Kf8 19.Re8+ Kxe8 20.Qe2+ Kf8 21.Qe7+ Kg8 22.Qe8#; (B) 13.Bxd6 Qxd6 14.Nb5 Qe5 15.d6 Qe4 16.f3 Qe3+17.Kh1O-O18.dxe7Re819.Nd6Rxe7 20.Nc3 Bc621.Bb3 Na622.Bd5 Bd4 23.Bxc6 dxc6 24 Nc4 Qf4=/+ 13.Bc2!? The point of White's play. Black's pieces are very congested so the normal pressure on the a- and b-files will take some time to materialize. However, White has the e-file and more piece harmony. 13...0-0 14.Re1 Nc4 15.Rb1

Ne5 16.Ng3 d6 17.h4 Nbd7 18.h5 Nb6 This surprised me. I expected ...Nf6. 19.Bg5 Nc8 20.f4! Planning to remove Black's best piece even at the cost of an exchange. 20...Nc4 21.Re4! After 20 minutes, a good move.



21...Bd4+ 22.Kh2 Ne3 23.Rxe3 Bxe3 24.Qe2? Too passive.

24.Qd3:

(A) 24...f5 25.Qxe3 Qd8 26.hxg6 hxg6 27.Qe6+ Kg7 (27...Rf7 28.Bh6 Qe8 29.Qxg6+ Kh8 30.Bg7+ Rxg7 31.Qxe8+ Kh732.Bxf5+Kh633.Qh5+)28.Nxf5+gxf5 29.Qh6+ Kf7 30.Qh5+ Kg7 31.Bh6+ Kh8 32.Bxf8+ Kg8 33.Bh6 Kh8 34.Bxf5 Nb6 35.Bg5+ Kg8 36.Be6+ Kg7 37.Qh6#);

(B) 24...Bd4 25.f5 f6 26.fxg6 fxg6 fxg5 (26...Kg7 27.Nf5+ Kg8 28.g7 Rf7 29.Nh6+ Kxg7 30.Qxh7+ Kf8 31.Qg8#) 27.g7 Bxg7 (27...Kxg7 28.Qxh7+ Kf6 29.Qg6+ Ke5 30.Qxg5+ Rf5 31.Qxf5#) 28.Qxh7+ Kf7 29.Bg6+ Kf630.Nge4+ Ke531.Qxg7+ Rf6 32.Nxf6 exf6 33.Re1+ Kd4 34.Qxf6+ Kc4 35.Re4+ Kd3 36.Qf1+ Kc2 37.Re2#;

24.hxg6 hxg6 25.Bxg6 fxg6 26.Qd3:
(A) 26...Bd4 27.Qxg6+ (A1) 27...Bg7 28.Bh6
Rf7 29.Nf5+- Kf8 (29...Kh8 30.Bxg7+ Kg8
31.Nh6#) (29...Qd8 30.Bxg7+-) 30.Bxg7+
Ke8 31.Nh6; (A2) 27...Kh8 28.Nf5 Rxf5
(28...Qd8 29.Kg3) 29.Qxf5 Kg7 (29... Qd8
30.Kg3 Kg8 31.Qe6+ Kf8 32.Rh1 Qe8
33.Rh7 Bg7 34.Bh6 Qf7 35.Rh8#) 30.Qe6
Bf6 31.Bxf6+ exf6 32.Qd7+ Kg6 (32...Kh6
33.Kg3+-) (32...Kh8 33.Qf7+-) (32...Kg8
33.Ne4 Qb4 34.Nxf6+ Kf8 35.Qe8+ Kg7
36.Nh5+ Kh6 37.Qh8+ Kg6 38.Qf6+ Kxh5
39.Qg5#) (32...Kf8 33.Re1+-) 33.f5+ Kg5
34.Qg7+ Kxf5 35.Rf1+ Ke5 36.Qxf6+;

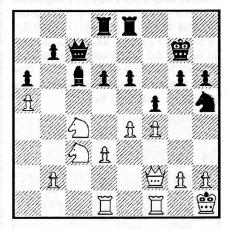
(B) 26...Rf6 27.Bxf6 exf6 28.Qxg6+ Kh8 29.Qxf6+ Kg8 30.Nh5 Qc7 31.Qg6+ Kh8 32.Nf6 Qg7 (32...Bxf4+ 33.Kh1 Qg7 34.Qh5++-) 33.Qh5+

24...Bd4 25.Bh6 Qd8! 26.f5 e6 27.Qg4 Qe2-g4 wasted a precious tempo. 27...exf5 28.Bxf5 Ne7 29.hxg6 hxg6 30.Bd3 Ra8 31.Rf1 Bc8 32.Qh4 Nf5 33.Nxf5 Bxf5 34.Bg5 f6 35.Bxf5 fxg5 36.Be6+ Kg7 The point I missed. The h-file exposure wins for Black. 37.Rxf8 gxh4 (0-1)

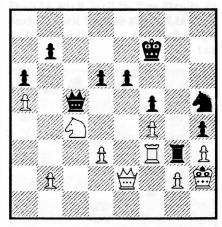
Siklosi (2390) - Yip (2100) [B85]

Kecskemet, April 3, 1993

1.e4 c5 Only IM Siklosi would try 1.e4 against me in this tournament and face the Sicilian. 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a66.Be2 e67.0-0 Be7 8.f4 Qc7 9.Kh1 0-0 10.a4 Nc6 11.Be3 Re8 12.Bd3 A Siklosi specialty. 12...Nb4 13.Qf3 Bd7 14.Qg3 Nxd3 15.cxd3 Bc6 16.a5 Bf8 17.Nf3 g6 18.Bd4 Bg7 19.Qh4 Qd8 20.Ng5?! h6 21.Nf3 Nh5 22.Qf2 Qd7 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Nd2 f5 25.Nc4 Rad8 26.Rad1 Qc7



27.exf5?! Extending the range of the bishop cannot be correct. Also, Black's original response was overlooked. 27...gxf5!?
28.Rfe1 Nf6 29.h3 Kf7 30.Qe3 Re7 31.Rd2 Rg8 32.Rf2 h5 33.Ne2 h4=/+ 34.Nd4 Rg3 35.Nf3 Bd5 36.Rc1 Qd8 37.Kh2 Rd7?
38.Nb6 Rc7 39.Rxc7+ Qxc7 40.Qe2 Bxf3 41.Rxf3 Nh5 42.Rf1 Ng7 43.Nc4 Qc5 44.Rf3 Nh5 45.Rf1 Ng7 46.Rf3 Nh5



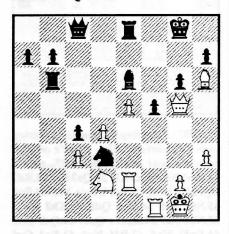
(draw)

[Mike's article originally also included 4 games which have since been published in En Passant magazine: #120, June, p. 48 had Yip-Farkas; #122, October, p. 57 had Yip-Kahn, Yip-Brandics, and Yip-Abel. As most ACR subscribers also get EP, those games aren't repeated here. However, we do have one more game to go...see the next page.]

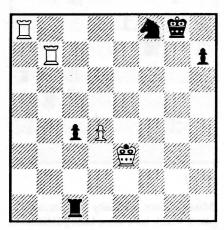
M. Yip (2100) - Z. Siklosi (2390) [D38] Kecskemet, May 6, 1993

This was probably the saddest game I played as I wriggled to a completely won position and drew:

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 d5 4.cxd5 exd5 5.Nc3 Bb4 6.Bg5 Nbd7 7.e3 c5 8.Bd3 Qa5 9.Qc2 0-0 10.0-0 c4 11.Bf5 Re8 12.Nd2 g6 13.Bxd7 Nxd7 14.Rae1 Nb6 15.f3 Bd7 16.Bh4 Bxc3 17.bxc3 I don't agree with ceding control of the Black square sto White. 17...Ba4 18.Qc1 Bc6 19.Qc2?! The Q should stay on a dark square path to the kingside. 19...Na4 20.Nb1 f5 21.Bg5?! 21.Bf6 Re6 22.Be5 Rae8 23.h3±. 21...Re6 22.h3 Bd7 23.Re2? 23.Rf2! 23...Rae8 24.Bh6 Rb6!-/+ 25.Rd2 Nb2 26.Re2 Qxa2 27.e4 Qa4 28.Qd2 dxe4 29.fxe4 Nd3 30.Qg5 Qc6 31.Nd2=/∞ Qc8 32.e5 Be6



33.Ne4! Bd5 34.Nf6+ Rxf6 35.Qxf6 Qd7 36.e6 Qe737.Qxe7 Rxe738.g4 Rxe639.Ra2 a6 40.gxf5 gxf5 41.Rxf5 Rxh6 42.Rxd5 Rxh3 43.Rd7 Nf4 44.Rxb7 Rxc3 45.Rxa6 Ng646.Ra8+ Nf8 +- 47.Kf2 Rc2+ 48.Ke3 Rc1



49.Kd2?![49.Rc8!+-]Ican't explain any of the moves that I played. 49...Rf1 50.Kc3 Rc1+ 51.Kd2 Rf1 52.Re7 Rf3 53.Re3?! Rf4 54.Kc3 Kf7 55.Kxc4 h5 56.Re5 Ne6 57.Rxe6?? Kxe6= 58.Rh8 h4 59.Kc5 Kf5! 60.d5 Kg4 61.d6 Rf7 (draw) Alberta Open games continued from page 1:

Walker stayed in the lead with a 3rd round 'upset' of Huber:

Greg Huber - Warrick Walker

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6
5.Nc3 e5 6.Ndb5 d6 7.Bg5 a6 8.Na3 b5
9.Nd5 Qa5+ 10.Bd2 Qd8 11.Nxf6+ Qxf6
12.Bd3 Qg6 13.0-0 Bg4 14.f3 Bh3 15.Qe2
Nd4 16.Qf2 Be7 17.Qg3 Qxg3 18.hxg3 Bd7
19.c3 Ne6 20.c4 Nc5 21.Be2 0-0 22.cxb5
axb5 23.Bxb5 Rxa3 24.bxa3 Bxb5 25.Rfb1
Bd3 26.Rb4 f5 27.exf5 Bxf5 28.g4 Bg6
29.a4 d5 30.a5 Nd3 31.Rb7 Bc5+32.Kh2 e4
33.fxe4 Bxe4 34.a6 Rf2 35.a7 Rxg2+36.Kh3
Nf2+ 37.Kh4 Rxg4+ (0-1)

Grant Brown's only loss came at the hands of Dale Haessel in round 3:

<u>Dale Haessel - Grant Brown</u>
1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.c4 Nf6 5.c5
Nc6 6.Bb5 Qa5+ 7.Nc3 Ne4 8.Nge2 Bg4
9.f3 Nxc3 10.Nxc3 Bd7 11.0-0 e5 12.Re1 f6
13.f4 Nxd4 14.Qxd4 Bxb5 15.fxe5 0-0-0
16.exf6 gxf6 17.b4 Qa6 18.a4 Bc4 19.Bf4
Qc6 20.Nb5 Bxb5 21.axb5 Qxb5 22.Rxa7
Qc6 23.Bg3 Rg8 24.Qf4 Rxg3 25.Qxg3 b6
26.Rea1 (1-0)

An interesting first round 'semi-upset' where Ottosen (1562) had chances to win against a higher rated opponent (2035):

Jim Daniluk - Dave Ottosen

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.c4 Bg7 4.g3 0-0 5.Bg2
d6 6.Nc3 c5 7.d5 Nbd7 8.0-0 h5 9.e4 Ng4
10.h3 Nge5 11.Nxe5 Nxe5 12.Qe2 f5 13.f4
Nf7 14.exf5 Bxf5 15.Re1 Qc8 16.Qxe7Bxh3
17.Qh4 Bxg2 18.Kxg2 Re8 19.Rxe8+Qxe8
20.Bd2 Bxc3 21.Bxc3 Qe4+ 22.Kh3 Qf5+
23.Kh2 Re8 24.Qf6 Re2+ 25.Kg1 Qxf6
26.Bxf6 Kf8 27.Kf1 Re4 28.Re1 Rxe1+
29.Kxe1 Nh630.Ke2 Nf531.Kf3 Kf7 32.Bc3
a6 33.Be1 (draw offer?) b5 34.cxb5 axb5
35.b3 b4 36.Ke4 Ne7 37.Bf2 Kf6 38.Be1
Kf7 39.Bd2 Nf5 40.Kf3 Ne7 41.Ke4 Nf5
42.Be1 (draw offer?) Kf6 43.Kd3 Nd4 44.Bf2
Nb5 45.Be1 Kf5 46.Kc4 Na3+ (draw)

SOUTHERN ALBERTA OPEN November 13-14, Calgary

> Site: Westgate Motor Inn 3440 Bow Trail SW

Register: 9:00-9:45 a.m. (please be on time)
5 round Swiss (round 1: 10:00 a.m.)
Qualifier for 1994 Alberta Closed
Entry Fee: \$20.00 senior \$15.00 junior
Time Control: 40/1:50, 15/0:30
TD/Org: Barney Fegyverneki (243-6351)

WINTER OPEN
DECEMBER 18-19, EDMONTON

Site: Main Function Room, Students' Union Bldg, 114 St & 89 Ave University of Alberta

Register: 9:00-9:45 a.m.
(please be on time)
5 round Swiss (round 1: 10:00 a.m.)
Entry Fee: \$20.00 senior \$15.00 junior
Time Control: 45/2, 25/1
TD/Org: Ford Wong (481-6474)

NORTHERN ALBERTA OPEN FEBRUARY 26-27, 1994, EDMONTON

Site: Main Function Room,
Students' Union Bldg, 114 St & 89 Ave
University of Alberta
(site to be confirmed; check future ACR)

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)

NOTE: tournament information is as accurate as we can make it at publication time (phone to verify, if you wish; info updated each ACR—checkfor changes). The ACR believes <u>all</u> are:

NO SMOKING NO COMPUTERS

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

Nov 27 Dawson Creek Fall Active
Dawson Creek, B.C.
Contact: Grant MacTavish (604) 782-7349
Jan 15 & 16 Trumpeter Classic
Grande Prairie, Alta
Contact: Phil Lefkowitz (403) 538-1903
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).