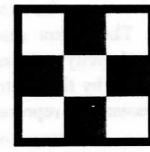




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1994 ALBERTA OPEN

by Ford Wong

The 1994 Alberta Open was played in the East Room of the Regency Hotel and featured a raised stage for boards one to three. A total of 37 players (one a no-show) entered, including an invasion of eleven Calgarians (a third of all the participants) and one Lethbridgian. It has been a while since there have been so many Calgary players in an Edmonton tournament—it was great to see them out.

The tournament went smoothly and was practically problem-free. In round one all the players were recipients of a free 'lecture' courtesy of the next room as their PA system drowned out the entire room. Several players tried to get around this problem by donning their walkmans—how successful they were, I don't know. After the 'lecture', it was quiet sailing, with the exception of TD problems such as time scrambles (there seemed to be more than usual). The first time control of 40/2 induced many people into time scrambles and kept the TD's busy. In each round, near the three hour mark, we could expect several scrambles to be on the way. Jim Daniluk was proud of his time scrambles as he managed his shortages to his advantage to win (in September in the Over 1800 in Calgary, he flagged several times and lost).

The eventual co-winners of the Alberta Open were **Hafiz Karmali** and **Dale Haessel**. They met in round 4, but settled nothing in a hard-fought draw (Karmali had additional help in the form of the raised stage, which tried to swallow Haessel not once, but twice). In the last two rounds they defeated all would-be contenders to remain tied for first (Karmali's better second tiebreak qualified him for the 1995 Alberta Closed). Chris Dartana quietly snuck up from behind to take third place (besides taking 3rd overall, Chris was thrilled to have 'finally' made it to board three and thus have the honor of playing on the stage).

Congratulations to the prize winners:

Overall: =1st—Hafiz Karmali and Dale Haessel; 3rd—Chris Dartana.

1850-2000: =1st—Grant Brown, John Quiring, and Bill Bentley.

1600-1899: 1st—August Hangartner, 2nd—Ahmet Yamach.

Unrated-1599: 1st—Nick Podolchak; =2nd—Peter Alderton, Dennis McNamara, Cynthia Wu, Ron Bell, and Tom McKay.

1	Hafiz Karmali	2112	+14	+ 5	+ 8	= 2	+ 4	+ 7	5.5
2	Dale Haessel	2211	+10	+18	+ 6	= 1	+12	+ 5	5.5
3	Christiaan Dartana	2263	+36	=13	=26	= 9	+17	+12	4.5
4	Paul Usselman	2075	+25	+22	+15	- 12	- 1	+16	4.0
5	Grant Brown	1991	+20	- 1	+21	+15	+ 6	- 2	4.0
6	Barney Fegyvermeki	2032	+17	+ 9	- 2	+16	- 5	+15	4.0
7	Norbert Chitrit (2000)		+37	-15	+19	+26	+10	- 1	4.0
8	John Quiring	1942	+35	+11	- 1	- 10	+28	+17	4.0
9	Bill Bentley	1908	+34	- 6	+30	= 3	=16	+18	4.0
10	August Hangartner	1844	- 2	+29	+11	+ 8	- 7	+22	4.0
11	Adam Wu	2078	+21	- 8	- 10	+27	+20	+13	4.0

3.5: 12 Jim Daniluk; 13 Art Milne; 14 Ahmet Yamach

3.0: 15 Peter Beresinski; 16 Geoff Newton; 17 Douglas Wu; 18 Jim Flemming; 19 Beatrice Wu; 20 Nathan McLean; 21 Harold Climenhaga

2.5: 22 Frank Pellerin; 23 Nick Podolchak; 24 Bob Davies; 25 Cor Dewindt

2.0: 26 Eric Schocat (4); 27 Peter Alderton; 28 Dennis McNamara; 29 Cynthia Wu; 30 Ron Bell; 31 Tom McKay

1.5: 32 Jason Ventura; 33 Jeff Cummer; 34 Derrick Comfort

0.5: 35 Maurice Bourassa 0.0: 36 Brock Dagenais (/3); 37 James Golmon (/1f)

For all the winners, especially the five who split the 2nd place prize in the Unrated-1599 category, additional congratulations are in order, as some of these people have become professionals. However, I suggest that they don't give up their day jobs (each took home \$8.40). Players who had strong performances and managed to pull off some noticeable upsets included August Hangartner, Peter Alderton, and Douglas Wu.

From my perspective, yours truly gave up two Thanksgiving turkey dinners to TD the Alberta Open, but I did not mind as I enjoy running a chess tournament and I was hoping to cut down on the food intake to become a lean, mean, chess fighting machine. However, I more than made up for it by gobbling more than my fair share of pizza on the first night, lasagna on the second night, and everything in sight in two buffet-type meals (thanks Chris) in between. I'm telling you, chess weekends are tough on a TD! It's almost as tough as being on the road playing. Gobble...Gobble...

Thanks to all the players for sacrificing turkey dinners (*Bird's Opening?*—ed.) to play in the Alberta Open. I hope somebody was kind enough to keep some leftovers for you!

Additional thanks to: Wayne, the TD's faithful assistant, for his help in all the time scrambles and for transcribing game scores; everyone who provided game scores; John, Mr. Money \$\$, for taking the registrations and doing the pairings on the first day; and all the out-of-town players.

A. Hangartner (1844) - D. Haessel (2211) Rd1

This game features an interesting sacrifice to secure the point. 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.a3 Bxc3+ 5.bxc3 d6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Nbd7 8.Qc2 e5 9.e4 Qe7 10.Bd3 b6 11.f3 Bb7 12.Ne2 g5 13.Bf2 Nh5 14.a4 a5 15.Qb2 Nf4 16.Nxf4 gxf4 17.Qa3 Rg8 18.Rg1 O-O-O 19.O-O-O Rg6 20.Kc2 Rdg8 21.Bf1 Qf8 22.g4 fxe3 23.Rxe3 f5 24.Bh3 Rxe3 25.Bxe3 exd4 26.Bxf5 dxc3 27.Qxc3 Bc6 28.Kb3 Kb7 29.Bxd7 Bxd7 30.e5 Qe8 31.Ra1 dxe5 32.Qxe5 Rxe3 33.Qxe3 Qe3+34.Kc2 Bf5+ (0-1)

P. Beresinski (1885) - N. Chitrit (2000) Rd2

1.e3 Nf6 2.b3 d6 3.Bb2 e5 4.Nf3 Nbd7 5.c4 c6 6.Be2 Be7 7.O-O O-O 8.d3 Re8 9.Nbd2 b6 10.Qc2 Bb7 11.d4 Qc7 12.Rad1 Bf8 13.Bd3 g6 14.e4 exd4 15.Nxd4 Ne5 16.Be2 Bg7 17.f4 Neg4 18.Rf3 Qe7 19.Rg3 Nh6 20.Bf3 a6 21.Ne2 c5 22.Nc3 b5 23.Nd5 Bxd5 24.cxd5 Nd7 25.Bxe7 Kxe7 26.Rh3 Rac8 27.g4 f6 28.Qc3 Nf7 29.g5 Kg8 30.gxf6 Qxf6 31.Qe3 Re7 32.Bg4 Rce8 33.Be6 Nf8 34.f5 Nxe6 35.fxe6 Ne5 36.Rf1 Qg7 37.Rf4 Rf8 38.Nf3 Rxf4 39.Qxf4 Nd3 40.Qxd6 Qa1+ 41.Kg2 Qb2+ 42.Kg3 Qf2+ 43.Kg4 h5+ 44.Kg5 Qe3+ 45.Kf6 Re8 46.Ng5 Rf8+ 47.Qxf8+ (1-0)

F. Pellerin (1959) - P. Usselman (2075) Rd2

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.c4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Nf3 Bg4 7.cxd5 Nxd5 8.Qb3 Bxf3 9.Qxb7? Ndb4 (0-1)

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Reminder to Tournament Directors

* The *CFC* requires a rating 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.

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- you may wish to call before attending

CALGARY CC

Meets: Sandman Inn (Blackgold Room), 7th Ave & 8th St SW, Tues. 7:00-11:00.

Info: Barney Fegyvermeki (243-6351; mail: c/o 1724-49 Ave SW, Calgary T2T 2T9).

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(TD: Ted Wilson, 547-3441)
Dec 20—#2.

Skittles: Dec 27.

EDMONTON CC

Meets: Oliver Community Hall, 10326-118 St, Thurs., 7:00-11:00.

Info: Kurt Lauterwald (434-7536; mail: c/o 4736-105A St, Edmonton T6H 2P3).

GRANDE PRAIRIE CC

Meets: Royal Canadian Legion, 9912-101 Ave, Tues., 7:00 p.m. (Sept. 1 - Apr. 30).

Info: Phil Lefkowitz (538-1903; mail: c/o 9305-74 Ave, Grande Prairie T8V 6G2).

HINTON CC

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

NORTHERN COMMUNITIES CC

Info: Bernie Tynan (771-3757; mail: c/o Box 90, Wandering River T0A 3M0).

RIMBEY CC

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

RED DEER CC

Meets: Red Deer College, room 907, Thurs., 7:00-11:00 (Sept. to May long weekend).

Info: Henry Vandervaart (341-3415, mail: c/o #307, 40 Cardinal Ave, Red Deer T4P 2T1).

UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA CC

Meets: SUB (basement), approx. 11:00-4:00 weekdays, September-April.

Info: David Bullas (440-3966; mail: Box 92, SUB, U of A, Edmonton T6G 2J7).

Top-Rated Albertans

(as of Sept 22/94 *CFC* list)

Rob Hawkes	2353
Greg Huber	2347
Arniel Frialde	2260
Sardul Purewal	2215
Ante Zaradic	2215
Dale Haessel	2211
Arthur Odachowski	2202
Ted Wilson	2177
Chris Demers	2168
Neil Sharp	2152
Warrick Walker	2139
Dale Haukenfrers	2122
Hafiz Karmali	2112
Adam Wu	2078
Paul Usselman	2075
Wilf Lahrkamp	2074
Jim Daniluk	2049
Farzan Nazarian	2046
Barney Fegyvermeki	2032
Christiaan Dartana	2026
John Parrott	2007
Lev Gorelik	2248/10*
Nandor Tot	2133/19*
Sé (Shay) Randall	2129/9*

* = provisional rating/games played (min. 5)

Only current or 'recent' (expired in about the past year) Alberta *ACA* members are included. Members not known (by the *ACR* editor) to have played in a regular-rated Alberta tournament in about the past year are: G. Campbell 2160; M. Rabljenovic 2145; Z. Baunok 2126; B. Willis 2111; O. Farid 2058.

Qualifying for the 1995 Alberta Closed

Players who want to be sure they meet qualification requirements should check the rules on page 10 of this *ACR* and/or write the *ACA* for info. **Your written registration must be received by March 10, 1995—invitations are not issued.**

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G. Brown (1991) - H. Karmali (2112) Rd2

1.e4 e6 2.d3 d5 3.Nd2 Nf6 4.Ng3 c5 5.g3 Nc6 6.Bg2 Be7 7.O-O O-O 8.e5 Nd7 9.Re1 Qc7 10.Qe2 b6 11.Nf1 Bb7 12.c3 Rac8 13.h4 Rfe8 14.Bf4 Nf8 15.h5 Qd7 16.g4 f6 17.exf6 gxf6 18.g5 e5 19.gxf6 exf4 20.fxe7 Rxe7 21.Qd2 Qf5 22.Rxe7 Nxe7 23.Re1 d4 24.Re5 Qf6 25.Rg5+ Kh8 26.Rg4 Ne6 27.Qe2 Bxf3 28.Bxf3 Nf5 29.Bd5 Nc7 30.Bb7 Re8 31.Qf3 Ne6 32.Bd5 Ng5 33.Qg2 f3 34.Bxf3 Nh4 (0-1)

J. Cummer (unr) - A. Yamach (1807) Rd3

1.e4 c5 2.f4 Nc6 3.Nf3 d6 4.Bc4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.O-O Bg7 7.d3 O-O 8.Qe1 Be6 9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.Qh4 Qd7 11.Kh1 Nh5 12.Qg4 Rad8 13.Ng5 Nd4 14.Rb1 Nf6 15.Qh3 h6 16.Nf3 Nxc2 17.f5 exf5 18.Bxh6 fxe4 19.Bxg7 Qxh3 (0-1)

A. Hangartner (1844) - A. Wu (2078) Rd3

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.h3 O-O 6.Nf3 e5 7.Bg5 Nbd7 8.Qd2 c6 9.Rd1 Qc7 10.Be2 a6 11.a4 Re8 12.d5 c5 13.O-O Nf8 14.Ra1 b6 15.Rfb1 N6d7 16.g4 f6 17.Be3 Qd8 18.b4 Ra7 19.a5 bxa5 20.bxc5 Nxc5 21.Bxc5 dxc5 22.Rb2 f5 23.gxf5 gxf5 24.Kh2 f4 25.Rg1 Qd7 26.Bf1 Kh8 27.Rb6 Qd8 28.Qb2 Ree7 29.Ng5 Reb7 30.Rxb7 Rxb7 31.Qxb7 Qxg5 32.Qxc8 Qh4 33.Qg4 Qxf2+ 34.Rg2 (1-0)

D. Haessel (2211) - H. Karmali (2112) Rd4

A critical 4th round game. 1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5.f4 c5 6.c3 Nc6 7.Ndf3 Qb6 8.h4 cxd4 9.cxd4 Bb4+ 10.Kf2 f6 11.Be3 O-O 12.Ne2 fxe5 13.fxe5 Na5 14.b3 Rf7 15.Nf4 Nf8 16.Bd3 Rc7 17.Rc1 Rxc1 18.Qxc1 Bd7 19.Qb1 Bb5 20.Be2 h6 21.g4 Be8 22.h5 Be7 23.Rg1 Qd8 24.g5 hxg5 25.Ng6 Bxg6 26.hxg6 Nc6 27.Qd1 Re8 28.Bxg5 Bxg5 29.Rxg5 Ne7 30.Qg1 Qc8 31.Bb1 Rc3 32.Qg4 Rc1 33.Bd3 Rh1 34.Ke3 Rh6 35.Nh4 a5 36.a4 Nc6 37.Qf4 Ne7 38.Bb5 Nc6 39.Qg3 Qe7 40.Qf4 Nd8 41.Kd2 Nc6 42.Bxc6 bxc6 43.Kc2 Nd7 44.Rg4 c5 45.dxc5 Nxc5 46.b4 axb4 47.Qxb4 Qc7 48.Kb1 Nd3 49.Qb5 Qc1+ 50.Ka2 Qc2+ 51.Ka3 Qc3+ 52.Ka2 Qc2+ 53.Ka3 (draw)

J. Daniluk (2049) - P. Usselman (2075) Rd4

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 d5 4.g3 Bb4+ 5.Bd2 Be7 6.Bg2 O-O 7.Qc2 c6 8.O-O b6 9.Rd1 Bb7 10.Nc3 Nbd7 11.cxd5 cxd5 12.Rac1 Rc8 13.Qb1 a6 14.Rc2 Bd6 15.Rdc1 Qe7 16.Nd1 Ne4 17.Rxc8 Rxc8 18.Rxc8+ Bxc8 19.Qc1 Bb7 20.Bf4 f6 21.Bxd6 Qxd6 22.Nd2 Nxd2 23.Qxd2 Kf7 24.Qc2 g6 25.b3 b5 26.h4 Qb6 27.Qd2 Qc7 28.h5 Kg7 29.Bh3 Nf8 30.hxg6 hxg6 31.Nb2 a5 32.Nd3 b4 33.Nc5 Bc8 34.Qe3 Qd6 35.Nd3 Qc6 36.Nc5 Kf7 37.Kf1 e5 38.Bxc8 Qxc8 39.dxe5 fxe5 40.Nd3 e4

41.Nf4 Qf5 42.Qa7+ Nd7 43.Qxa5 Nf6 44.Qc7+ Kg8 45.Qe7 e3 46.Qxe3 Ne4 47.g4 Qf7 48.Nd3 Qf6 49.Kg2 Qh4 50.Qh3 Qf6 51.Qf3 Qc3 52.Nf4 Qc6 53.Qd3 Nc3 54.Qxg6+ Qxg6 55.Nxg6 Kf7 56.Ne5+ Ke6 57.Nd3 Nxa2 58.Nf4+ Ke5 59.g5 Nc3 60.Nd3+ Kf5 61.Nxb4 Kxg5 62.Kf3 Ne4 63.Nxd5 Nd2+ 64.Ke3 Nxb3 65.f4+ Kf5 66.Nc3 Ke6 67.Kf3 Nd2+ 68.Kg4 Nf1 69.e4 Nh2+ 70.Kg5 *and White soon won* (1-0)

N. Chitrit (2000) - E. Schocat (1888) Rd4

A game decided in a time scramble. 1.e4 g6 2.Nf3 Bg7 3.c3 d5 4.exd5 Qxd5 5.d4 Nh6 6.Nbd2 O-O 7.Bc4 Qd8 8.O-O b6 9.Re1 e6 10.Ne4 Bb7 11.Bg5 Qc8 12.Be7 Re8 13.Nf6+ Bxf6 14.Bxf6 Nd7 15.Bg5 Nf5 16.Ne5 h6 17.Nxd7 Qxd7 18.Bf6 Qc6 19.Bf1 g5 20.Re5 Kh7 21.Qg4 Kg6 22.d5 Qd6 23.dxe6 fxe6 24.Rd1 Qf8 25.Bxg5 hxg5 26.f4 Qf6 27.Rde1 Rad8 28.h4 Bc8 29.fxg5 Qh8 30.g3 Rd5 31.h5+ Kf7 32.g6+ Kf6 33.Qf4 Rxe5 34.Qxe5+ Kg5 35.Qf4+ Kf6 36.Qxc7 Qf8 37.Qe5+ Ke7 38.Bh3 Qf6 39.Qxf5 Qxf5 40.Bxf5 Kf6 41.Bc2 Bd7 42.Rf1+ Kg7 43.Rf7+ (1-0)

N. McLean (1635) - A. Wu (2078) Rd5

(Annotations by Adam Wu.) **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 O-O 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.Bc4 Bd7 10.O-O O Rc8 11.Bb3 Ne5 12.Bg5 a5 13.f4?! Nc6 14.Rhf1 Nxe4 15.Nxe4 Nxd4 16.Nxd6 Nxb3+ Opening the d-file is just asking for fireworks. 17.axb3 Rc7 18.Nb5 Bf5 Inspiration or desperation?—don't ask, please. 19.Nxc7 Qxc7 20.Rf2? A move which causes White a lot of grief. 20...a4! 21.bxa4 Qb6 22.b3 May not be the best defence. 22...Rc8 23.Bxe7 h6! -+ I saw the contours of this position when I played Nxe4 - NOT! 24.a5 Qxb3 25.Qd8+ Kh7 26.Qxc8 Qb2+ 27.Kd2 Bxc8 28.Rf3 Bg4 29.Rb3 Qd4+ 30.Rd3 Qf2+ 31.Kc1 Bxd1 32.Rxd1 Qxf4+** (0-1)

H. Karmali (2112) - P. Usselman (2075) Rd5

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.f4 O-O 6.Nf3 Na6 7.Be2 e5 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.d5 c6 10.dxc6 bxc6 11.Bg5 h6 12.Bh4 Qb6 13.Qc1 Kh7 14.b3 Be6 15.Bf2 Qa5 16.O-O Nh5 17.Rd1 Nf4 18.Bf1 Rad8 19.a3 Rxd1 20.Nxd1 Rd8 21.b4 Qc7 22.Qe3 Rd7 23.Nb2 Bf8 24.Rd1 Rxd1 25.Nxd1 c5 26.b5 Nb8 27.Nc3 Nd7 28.Nd5 Qb8 29.a4 Bd6 30.a5 Kg7 31.Be1 Bxd5 32.exd5 e4 33.Qxe4 f5 34.Bc3+ Kf7 35.Qe3 Nf6 36.Ne5+ Kg8 37.Qxf4 Nh5 38.Qe3 f4 39.Qe4 (1-0)

J. Daniluk (2049) - D. Haessel (2211) Rd5

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 b6 4.a3 Ba6 5.Qc2 Bb7 6.Nc3 c5 7.dxc5 bxc5 8.Bg5 d6 9.e3 Nbd7 10.Rd1 Be7 11.Be2 O-O 12.O-O h6 13.Bf4 Ne8 14.e4 e5 15.Be3 Nc7 16.Nb5

Nxb5 17.cxb5 Qc7 18.Bc4 Nf6 19.Bd5 Bxd5 20.exd5 Qb7 21.Qc4 Rfb8 22.Bxc5 Qxb5 23.Qxb5 Rxb5 24.Bb4 Nxd5 25.a4 Rxb4 26.Rxd5 Rxb2 27.Rc1 Rab8 28.g3 Rb1 29.Rxb1 Rxb1+ 30.Kg2 Rb6 31.Nd2 f6 32.Ra5 a6 33.Nc4 Rc6 34.Ne3 Kf7 35.Nd5 Bd8 36.Nb4 Rc4 37.Rxa6 Rxb4 38.Rxd6 Ba5 39.Rd7+ Kg6 40.h4 Rxa4 41.h5+ (0-1)

P. Usselman (2075) - G. Newton (1933) Rd6

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.cxd5 Nxd5 6.e4 Nxc3 7.bxc3 c5 8.Rb1 cxd4 9.cxd4 Qa5+ 10.Bd2 Qxa2 11.Qc1 O-O 12.Bc4 Qa4 13.O-O a6 14.Bh6 Qe8 15.h4 b5 16.Bd5 Ra7 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Qc5 Qd7 19.Rfc1 e6 20.Bb3 Kg8 21.h5 Qe7 22.Qxc8 Rxc8 23.Rxc8+ Kg7 24.Rxb8 Qc7 25.h6+ Kxh6 26.Rg8 Qb7 27.d5 a5 28.dxe6 fxe6 29.Bxe6 a4 30.Kh2 Qc7+ 31.g3 Qc2 32.Rf1 Qxe4 33.Kg2 (1-0)

N. McLean (1635) - C. Wu (1586) Rd6

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 O-O 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.Bc4 Bd7 10.O-O O Rc8 11.Bb3 Ne5 12.Bg5 Nc4 13.Bxc4 Rxc4 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nb3 Rc7 16.Nb5 Bf5 17.Nxc7 Qxc7 18.Rhe1 Rc8 19.Re2 e4 20.Bf4 e5 21.Bg3 e3 22.Qc3 Qb6 23.Qa5 Qc6 24.Rd8+ Rxd8 25.Qxd8+ Ne8 26.Qb8 Qb5 27.Re1 Qc6 28.c3 Qb5 29.Qd8 Bh6 30.h3 a5 31.Kd1 Kf8 32.Nc1 Qxb2 33.Re2 Qb1 34.f4 exf4 35.Bh4f3 36.Qe7+ Kg7 37.Qe5+f6 38.Qe7+ Kg8 39.Qxe8+ Kg7 40.gxf3 Bd3 41.Qd7+ Kf8 42.Qxd3 Qxd3+ 43.Nxd3 (1-0)

W. Bentley (1908) - J. Flemming (1985) Rd6

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.g3 g6 3.Bg2 Bg7 4.O-O O-O 5.d4 d6 6.c4 Nbd7 7.Nc3 e5 8.d5 a5 9.e4 Nc5 10.Qc2 Nh5 11.Ne1 f5 12.Nd3 Nxd3 13.Qxd3 f4 14.Bd2 g5 15.Ne2 g4 16.f3 c6 17.Rab1 Qb6+ 18.Kh1 Rf6 19.fxg4 Bxg4 20.Bf3 Rg6 21.Bxg4 Rxg4 22.Qf3 Nf6 23.gxf4 Rf8 24.f5 Rxe4 25.b3 cxd5 26.Nc3 Rd4 27.Be3 Kh8 28.Bxd4 Nxd4 29.Nxd5 e4 30.Qd1 Qe5 31.Nxf6 Rxf6 32.Qd5 Qe7 33.Rbe1 e3 34.Qf3 Bh6 35.Re2 Bg5 36.Rg1 Rf7 37.Qd5 Bh6 38.Qd4+ Bg7 39.Rxg7 Rxg7 40.f6 Qf7 41.fxg7+ Kg8 42.Qd5 (1-0)

N. Chitrit (2000) - H. Karmali (2112) Rd6

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.exd5 exd5 6.Nf3 O-O 7.Be2 Re8 8.O-O Nbd7 9.Re1 h6 10.Bh4 Nf8 11.Ne5 c6 12.Bxf6 Bxf6 13.Bh5 g6 14.Bg4 Bxg4 15.Nxg4 Bg7 16.Rxe8 Qxe8 17.Qd2 Kh7 18.Re1 Ne6 19.Qe3 Qf8 20.Ne5 Re8 21.f4 Qb4 22.Nf3 Nc7 23.Ne5 f6 24.a3 Qd6 25.Qg3 fxe5 26.fxe5 Qe7 27.Ne2 Ne6 28.h4 Rf8 29.Rf1 Rxf1+ 30.Kxf1 Qf7+ 31.Ke1 h5 32.Qb3 Bh6 33.c4 dxc4 34.Qxc4 Be3 35.Qd3 Qf2+ 36.Kd1 Bxd4 37.Nxd4 Qxd4 38.Kc2 Qxd3+ 39.Kxd3 Kg7 40.Ke4 Kf7 41.b4 Nf8 42.b5 cxb5 43.Kd5 Ne6 (0-1)

ECC Summer Round Robins
by John Quiring, TD

Twelve players played in three 4-player round robin tournaments.

In the top group, **Chris Dartana** defeated top-ranked Hafiz Karmali on route to a perfect 3-0 score. Chris's rating bobs up and down like a log in the ocean; it looks like it is on the way up now.

In the second group, top-ranked **Dave Ottosen** defended his perch atop the rating column to win 3-0.

The third group was also won by the top-rated player, as **Art Skeel** scored 2.5-0.5 to finish in first place.

Edmonton Open
by John Quiring, TD

The chess year at the Edmonton Chess Club always starts in early September with the Edmonton Open. This year, the fame and glory went to **Eric Schocat**, who won his first tournament ever with a score of 4.5/5. Ranked fourth on the crosstable, Eric was full value for the win, defeating the top two players in consecutive games and giving up a last round draw only when first place was secured.

In second place, a half point back, were **Chris Dartana** and **Bruno Knudskov**. Coming from the bottom half of the crosstable to finish in fourth was **Art Skeel** at 3.5.

E. Schocat - J. Quiring

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.c4 Bg7 4.Nc3 O-O 5.e4 d6 6.Be2 e5 7.dxe5 dxe5 8.Qxd8 Rxd8 9.Bg5 Re8 10.Nd5 Nxd5 11.cxd5 f6 12.Bh4 Nd7 13.Bc4 Kh8 14.Nd2 Bf8 15.Ke2 Kg7 16.f3 Nb6 17.Bb3 Bd7 18.a4 Rac8 19.Bf2 c6 20.a5 Na8 21.Rhc1 a6 22.Ba4 Red8 23.dxc6 Bxc6 24.Bxc6 Rxc6 25.Rxc6 bxc6 26.Rc1 Bb4 27.Nb3 Rd6 28.Bc5 Bxc5 29.Nxc5 Nc7 30.Nb7 Rd7 31.Rxc6 Nb5 32.Nc5 Nd4+ 33.Kd3 Nxc6 34.Nxd7 Kf7 35.Nc5 Ke7 36.Nxa6 Nxa5 37.b4 Nb7 38.Kc4 Nd6+ 39.Kc5 f5 40.Kd5 fxe4 41.fxe4 (1-0)

Grande Prairie Fall Active
by Phil Lefkowitz, TD

Larry (the rock) Stutzman of Ft. St. John, B.C., won all four games to take the Grande Prairie Chess Club Fall Active, the first of the 5 Peace River Grand Prix events. **Phil Lefkowitz**, of the GPCC, took second at 3-1. There was a 3-way tie for first Under 1650 by 8 (!) year old **Scott Boyer** of the Dawson Creek Chess Club, and GPCC members **Gerhard Scherer** and **Gary Ockert**. [Grand Prix organizer: **Jim Kanester**.]

Reports from the Calgary Chess Club
by Walter Watson

Walter saw in the August ACR that results of Calgary tournaments were slow to come in, so he kindly sent in what he could about some Calgary Chess Club tournaments, i.e. the Spring Open (including a complete crosstable and all prize winners), a June 21st speed tournament, and the 4 active events run over the summer—we got a separate report for the Aug. 2 & 9 Active (see Chris Demers' report below), so we'll use Walter's for the other three. Thanks, Walter!

Spring Open—May 3 to June 14

Chris Demers won easily (7-0) and wasn't in trouble in any of his games. **Jim Daniluk** also played strongly (5.5) to take second. **Walter Watson** (4.5) was 1st 'Class B' (*Walter said that he was initially listed at a rating of 1495—his CFC number—which caused some confusion in the early rounds*). Equal 2nd in Class B were **Dave Gomboc** and **Lee Nagle** (the TD). Top 'Class C/Unrated' went to **Ted Lockert**, with a 3-way tie for 2nd by **Nick Podolchak**, **Jack King** and **Chris Clark**.

Grand Prix Speed—June 21st

Chris Demers won easily over a strong field including **Branimir Brebric**, **Jim Daniluk**, **Arthur Odachowski**, **Dale Haessel**, **Art Milne**, **Dave Gomboc** and newcomer **John Ferrar** (not necessarily in that order). [*This was the final event in the 'old' Grand Prix Speed series at the Calgary Chess Club; a new series started October 25th—ed.*]

Active Tournament—July 5 & 12

Dale Haessel (5-0) won first prize, followed at 3.5-1.5 by **Jim Daniluk** (2nd prize) and **Walter Watson** (top unrated prize). **Watson** won top unrated without playing either of the other two top finishers. [TD: **Dave Gomboc**.]

August Assembly Active
by Chris Demers, TD

The August Assembly Active drew in a crowd of 12 for the 2-day, 6-round Calgary Chess Club event. A fairly well rounded group came out to participate, with ratings from 2100 all the way down to 942!

In the upper prize section, the top 2 finishers met in the 3rd round. **Dave Gomboc**, who came 2nd with 4.5-1.5, was the winner of that contest, but couldn't hold on. **Jim Daniluk** passed **Dave** and won with a 5-1 score. **Bruce Kiely** came 3rd with 4-2.

In the other prize section, unrated **Nelson Silva** cruised to victory with 4-2, losing only to **Kiely** and **Gomboc**. **Chris Vermette** and **Kelly Coote** tied for 2nd at 3.5-2.5, with **Vermette** taking the book prize on tiebreak.

Active Tournament—July 19 & 26

1-3: **Jim Daniluk**, **Art Milne** and **Branimir Brebric** at 5-1; 4-5: **Dale Haessel** and **Tedge Davies** (4-2); 6: **Leo Danglapen** (3.5); 7-11: **Max Carcamo**, **Farzan Nazarian**, **Walter Watson**, **Dave Gomboc** and **Danny Kiely** (3). 18 players. **Nazarian** defaulted to **D. Kiely** in the 3rd round when he went home not realizing there would be another round that evening. **Milne** defeated **Daniluk**, who defeated **Brebric**, who defeated **Milne**—these three split the top two prizes. **Carcamo**, **Watson** and **Gomboc** finished first in Class B, although **Gomboc** wasn't eligible for either prize. **T. Davies** finished first and **Daglapen** second in Class C/Unrated. [TD: **Jeff Cummer**]

Active Tournament—August 16 & 23

1-2: **Chris Demers** and **John Ferrar** (5-1). 3: **Jeff Chrumka** (4.5); 4: **Art Milne** (4); 5: **Bruce Kiely** (3.5); 6: **Chris Vermette** (3). There were 12 entrants. **Ferrar** defeated **Demers**, but lost to **Chrumka**. **Chrumka** lost to **Demers** and dropped half a point to **B. Kiely**. **Demers** and **Ferrar** split the top two prizes. **Ferrar** is visiting from **Aberdeen, Scotland**, for a few months. **B. Kiely** took first place in Class B/Unrated, followed in second by **Vermette**. [TD: **Jeff Cummer**]

Calgary Active
by Dale Haessel, TD

Held on August 20th, the Calgary Active (an ACA-sponsored tournament—ed.) was a huge success, with fifteen people playing.

The tournament was won by **Dale Haessel**, with second shared by **Art Milne**, **David Ottosen** and **Colin Chrumka**.

With 5 juniors playing, I felt compelled to have a top junior prize—it was won by **John Rajchel** (but he had to settle for top under 1600 instead).

[Organizer: **Barney Fegyvermeki**]

Discovered Check!

If you check the back page of this issue, you'll discover information about some weekend tournaments in which you may wish to play.

July Open
by Jeff Cummer, TD

The 1994 July Open was held at the Quality Inn in Calgary's motel village on July 23-24. Only twelve players entered, with two-thirds rated over 1800 and an 1841 average.

Calgarian Dale Haessel defeated Nandor Tot of Medicine Hat in the last round to win first place in the open section, undefeated at 4/5. Tot and Calgary's Arthur Odachowski shared second place with 3.5/5, after Odi beat Jim Daniluk (3/5) of Calgary in the last round.

The under 2000 section was won by Lethbridge player Grant Brown with 3/5. Half a point behind were Calgary's Art Milne and Edmonton's Dave Ottosen—they 'upset' Odachowski and Haessel, respectively, in the first round by securing draws. Their reward for their efforts? Being paired with Haessel and Odachowski, respectively, in the next round.

The under 1800/unrated section was won by Calgary's Leo Danglapen, an unrated player who scored 3/5 with a performance rating of 1845, including a victory over John Quiring (1964).

The biggest surprise was 11-year-old John Rajchel, underrated at 942. As the lowest seed, he gave up 350 rating points to his nearest competitor, but drew with Lenny Leung (1632) in round 2 and defeated Peter Alderton (1293) in round 3. Due to the intricacies of the Swiss pairing system, he faced top seed Arthur Odachowski in the 4th round, a difference of 1299 rating points. Needless to say, he was happy with his 1.5/5 result, and his performance rating was nearly 700 points above his rating going in!

[Art Milne separately sent in an annotated game from the July Open—it is to the right on this page. Jeff provided us with four games—see below.]

G. Brown (1983) - J. Daniluk (2044) Rd 2
[Notes by Grant Brown] 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 d6 4.d4 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Nf6 6.Be2 e5 7.Nb3 Be7 8.O-O O-O 9.f4 exf4 10.Bxf4 Be6 11.Qe1 d5!? 12.Qg3!? Nxe4 13.Nxe4 dxe4 14.Rad1 Qc8 15.Bh6 g6 16.Qc3 f6 17.Bxf8 Qxf8 18.Bb5 Ne5 19.Qc7 a6 20.Be2 b5 21.Kh1 Bxb3 22.cxb3 Rc8 23.Qb7 Rc2 Both players are in time pressure. 24.Rc1 Rxe2 25.Rc8 Bd8 26.Rd1 Nf7 27.Qxa6 e3?! 28.Qxb5 Rd2 29.Rxd2 exd2 30.Qd5 Kg7 31.Qxd2 Qe7 32.Rc1 Bc7 33.Re1 Ne5 34.b4 Qe6 35.a4 Qc6 36.Rc1 Qb6 37.a5 Qb7 38.a6 Qb6 39.b5 +- Bb8 40.Qe2? Ba7 41.Qf1? Ng4 42.h3? 42.g3. Nf2+ 43.Kh2 Bb8+ 44.g3 Ne4 45.Qg2? 45.Rc3 Bxg3+ 46.Kh1 Nf2+ 47.Kg1 Nd3+ 48.Kf1? 48.Kh1 = Nxc1 49.Qxg3 Qxb5+ (0-1)

Art's Annotations
by Art Milne

This time Art has provided three annotated games, one from the July Open (report in the first column on this page), and two from the Alberta 1800-and-Over (the report for that tournament, and the Under 1800 is on page 9—thanks to Ford Wong for obtaining the info and writing the report).

L. Danglapen - A. Milne
(Calgary July Open)
Sicilian Defence

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 a6 Paulsen Variation. 5.c3?! 5.c4; 5.Nc3; 5.Bd3. 5...Qc7 6.Be2!? 6.Bd3. 6...Nc6 7.O-ONf6 8.Nd2 Bd6!? Idea: 9.Nxc6 dxc6! 9.h3?! 9.g3, with the idea of 10.f4. 9...O-O 10.Bd3 b5 11.N2b3 Be7 Because of the threat 12.f4, 13.e5; now Black has time for 12.f4 d6. 12.Be3 Bb7 Weakness: e4. 13.Qe2? 13.f3!? d5 =/+ 13...Nxd4 14.Nxd4 14.Bxd4 e5 -/+ 14...Nxe4 15.Qc2 Nf6 16.Bg5 h6 17.Bh4 Qf4! 18.Bg3 Qg5 Ideas: 19...Nh5; 19...Bd6. 19.Rae1 Bd6 20.h4 Qd5 21.Nf3 Bxg3 22.fxg3 d6?! 22...Qxa2 is perfectly safe. 23.Nd4! Rac8!? 23...Qxa2 24.Rxf6 with counterplay, e.g. 24...gxf6 25.Qe2 f5 26.Qh5 Qd5 27.Re2, with the idea 28.Bxf5. 24.Nb3 Idea: 25.Rxf6 and 26.Be4. 24...Qc6 25.Qe2 Nd7! Idea: 26...Ne5. 26.Nd4 Qd5 27.Qd2 Idea: 28.Be4. 27...Qc5 28.Rf2 28.Kh1! 28...Ne5 29.Bb1 Bd5! Idea: ...f5. 30.Qf4?! Sets up the tactical threat ...e5. 30.Qc2!? 30...Qc4 31.Re3 f5! Weaknesses at e3, f2, c5. 32.b3 Qc5 33.Rc2 Ng4 34.b4 Qb6 35.Ree2 e5 36.Qd2 exd4 37.cxd4 Rce8 38.Qf4 Re4! 39.Rxe4 Bxe4 40.Rc1 Qxd4+ 41.Kh1 Qb2 +- (0-1)

J. Quiring (1964) - G. Brown (1983) Rd 3
[Notes by Grant Brown] 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 Nc6 8.Qd2 O-O 9.Bc4 Bd7 10.O-O-O Rc8 11.Bb3 Ne5 12.h4 a5!? 13.Bh6? Bxh6 14.Qxh6 Rxc3 15.bxc3 a4 16.Bxa4 Bxa4 17.h5 Better is 17.g4, followed by Rdg1 and Nf5. 17...Bd7 18.g4 Nc4 19.g5 Qa5 20.Rd3 Qxa2 21.Nb3 Ra8 22.Kd1 Qb1+ 23.Nc1 Nxb5 (0-1)

J. Daniluk (2044) - D. Haessel (2195) Rd 4
[Notes by Jim Daniluk] 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 b6 4.Nc3 Bb4 5.Qc2 Bb7 6.a3 Bxc3+ 7.Qxc3 c5?! 7...d6 8.dxc5 bxc5 9.Bg5 Nc6 10.e3 O-O 11.Bd3 h6 12.h4!? 12.Bh4 is probably better. 12...hxg5 If 12...Qa5? 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.b4! cxb4 15.Qxf6

F. Wong - A. Milne

Slav Defence (Alberta 1800-and-Over)
1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 c6 4.Nf3 Nf6 5.Bg5 5.e3. 5...dxc4 6.a4? 6.e4. 6...Bb4 7.Qc2 Idea: 8.e4. 7...Nbd7 8.e4 b5 9.e5 h6 10.exf6 hxg5 11.fxg7 Rg8 12.axb5 cxb5 13.Qe4 Nb6 Only move. 14.Qh7 Ke7 Again, the only move. 15.O-O-O Bxc3 16.bxc3 Bb7 17.Nxg5 Qd6 Ideas: Qa3+, Qf4+. 18.Qh4 f6 19.Nh7?? Qa3+ 20.Kd2 Nd5 20...Qb2+ 21.Ke1 Qxc3+, 22...Nd5 +- 21.Rc1 Rxc7 Idea: 22...Rh8 +- 22.Qh6 Kf7 23.Be2 Qe7 24.Rhe1 Kg8 +- 25.Nxf6+ Qxf6 26.Qh3 Nf4 27.Qe3 Only move. 27...Nxg2 28.Qh3 Qf4+ 29.Kd1 Nxe1 30.Qxe6+ Spite check. 30...Qf7 (0-1).

A. Milne - J. Rouse
(Alberta 1800-and-Over)

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.c3 d5 3...Nf6. 4.exd5 exd5 4...Qxd5. 5.d4 c4 5...Nc6. 6.g3 Bd6 7.Bg2 h6?! 7...Ne7. 8.O-O Ne7 9.Re1 O-O 10.Ne5 Bf5 11.b3 cxb3 12.axb3 Nd7 Idea: Nf6-e4. 13.Ba3 Bxa3 14.Rxa3 Nf6 15.Nd2 a6 16.Ra1 Rac8 17.Rc1 Nc6 18.Qf3 Bh7 19.Qf4 Qa5 20.Bh3! Rc7 21.b4?! 21.Nec4! dxc4 21.Nxc4 Qa2 22.Qxc7 +- 21...Qb6 22.Nb3 Nxe5 23.Rxe5 Ne4 24.Nc5 Nxc5 25.dxc5 Qc6 26.Rxd5 Qxd5 27.Qxc7 Qd2 28.Qf4 Qxf4 29.gxf4 Be4 30.Re1 Bc6 31.Bg2 Bxg2 32.Kxg2 Rd8 33.Re7 Rd3 34.Rxb7 Rxc3 35.Rb8+ Kh7 36.Rb6 a5!? 37.bxa5 Rxc5 38.a6 Ra5 39.Kf3 Kg8 40.Ke4 Kf8 41.Kd4 Ke8 42.Kc4 Kd8 43.Kb4 Ra1 44.Kb5 Kc8 45.Rb7 Rb1+ 46.Kc6 Rc1+ 47.Kb6 Rb1+ 48.Ka7 Rf1 49.Rxf7 Rxf2 50.Rf5! Rxh2 51.Rc5+ Kd7 52.Rb5 Idea: Kb7, etc. 52...Kc7 53.Rb7+ Kc8 54.Rxg7 Rf2 55.Rf7 h5 56.Kb6 Rb2+ 57.Kc6 Rc2+ 58.Kd5 Kb8 59.Rh7 Ra2 60.a7+ Ka8 61.f5 Rf2 62.Ke5 (1-0).

bxa3+ 16.Kf1 and Black is getting mated.
13.hxg5 Qa5! 14.Qxa5 Nxa5 15.gxf6 gxf6 16.Nd2 f5 17.Ke2 Kg7 18.Rhg1 d6 19.g4 fxg4 20.Rxg4+ Kf6 21.b4 cxb4 22.axb4 Nc6 23.Be4 Ke7 (draw)

J. Quiring (1964) - L. Danglapen (unr.) Rd 4
1.e4 e5 2.f4 d6 3.Nf3 Bg4 4.Bc4 Be7 5.O-O Nf6 6.d3 O-O 7.Nc3 c6 8.Bb3 Nbd7 9.Qe1 Qc7 10.Kh1 Nc5 11.fxe5 dxe5 12.Qg3 Nxb3 13.axb3 Bxf3 14.Rxf3 Qd6 15.Be3 Qe6 16.Rf5 Nd7 17.Ne2 f6 18.Rh5 Rf7 19.Qf2 a6 20.Ng3 Qg4 21.Rf5 [assumed; the report had 21.Rb5-ed.] 21...Rd8 22.Rf1 Qg6 23.h4 h6 24.Rh5 Nf8 25.Qf3 Ne6 26.Nf5 Bf8 27.Kh2 Rdd7 28.Rh1 c5 29.Kg1 b5 30.Rh3 Nf4 31.Nxb6+ gxh6 32.Rg3 Ne2+ 33.Qxe2 Qxg3 34.Bxh6 Bxh6 35.Rxh6 Kf8 36.Qf1 Qe3+ (0-1)



ALBERTA JUNIOR CHESS REPORT



(A special section of the Alberta Chess Report, November 1994)

1994 Alberta Junior by Ford Wong, TD

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Pts
1 Jason Ventura	x	=	0	0	1	1	2.5
2 Matthew Wong	=	x	0	0	0	=	1.0
3 Adam Wu	1	1	x	1	1	0	4.0
4 Beatrice Wu	1	1	0	x	0	=	2.5
5 Nathan McLean	0	1	0	1	x	=	2.5
6 Douglas Wu	0	=	1	=	=	x	2.5

The 1994 Alberta Junior was probably one of the best Championships in recent years in terms of quality and well-played games. It was hard fought all the way to the end, with no one backing down from anyone. Wins were earned the hard way as witnessed by Beatrice Wu-Nathan McLean, which took almost six hours to complete.

In the end, favorite Adam Wu survived with a 4.0 score to remain the Alberta Junior Champion and to qualify for the Canadian Junior. Second place was a four-way tie between Beatrice Wu, Douglas Wu, Jason Ventura and Nathan McLean.

Douglas Wu, a last minute sub for John Rajchel, finished with 2.5 points and could have easily had 4.5 points to become Junior Champion. He was winning in his last two games (against Wong and McLean) but couldn't deliver the knock out punches and had to settle for draws. Douglas could have won in round one against Jason Ventura but lost in heavy time pressure. To complete his weekend, Douglas had his first ever win against older brother Adam.

Jason Ventura, with help from Douglas Wu beating Adam Wu, lead after day one but powered out on day two with two straight losses against A. and B. Wu, respectively. He had hoped to draw Adam and then beat Beatrice to win. However, Adam opened with something unfamiliar and from then on it was downhill. Beatrice Wu beat Matthew Wong and Jason Ventura to avenge losses to them in the Northern Alberta Junior. Matthew Wong's sneaky endgame technique helped him to salvage two draws. The last round game between Douglas Wu and Nathan McLean was a preview of what to expect at the Alberta Cadet in December. Nathan McLean's fortress building style of play against the Wu's netted him 1.5 points on the last day to help him finish tied for second.

As TD, I found most of the games were very well played and interesting, with no major blunders to determine the outcome. In fact, my infatuation with the last round game

between Matthew Wong and Adam Wu lead me to an embarrassing moment. The game had me so engrossed that without thinking I inadvertently sat down in Matthew Wong's chair while he was away, and sat there enjoying the game until someone snapped me out of it. Perhaps this has something to do with my having just turned 40.

Thanks to the six participants, who gave all they had at the Alberta Junior, and to the two chess fans who dropped by to watch.

Here are all games, except for Ventura-Wong, in an order Ford felt was 'the best':

A. Wu (2078) - J. Ventura (1530) Rd4

A key game between the current leader and the eventual winner. 1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 e6 3.Nf3 d5 4.cxd5 exd5 5.d4 Nc6 6.Bg5 Be7 7.e3 a6 8.Be2 0-0 9.0-0 h6 10.Bh4 Be6 11.Rc1 Re8 12.Bxf6 Bxf6 13.Na4 Bf5 14.Nc5 Qc8 15.Nxa6 Bd7 16.Nc5 Rxa2 17.Qb3 Ra5 18.Nxb7 Ra7 19.Nc5 Nxd4 20.Nxd4 Bxd4 21.exd4 Rxe2 22.Nxd7 Rb7 23.Qxd5 c6 24.Ne5 Rxb2 25.Qxc6 Qxc6 26.Nxc6 Rd2 27.Rfd1 Re2 28.Rb1 Rc7 29.d5 f6 30.d6 Rd7 31.Nb8 Rd8 32.Kf1 Re6 33.d7 Kf7 34.Rbc1 Ke7 35.Nc6+ Rxc6 36.Rxc6 Rxd7 37.Rxd7+ Kxd7 38.Ra6 Ke8 39.Ra7 (1-0)

A. Wu (2078) - D. Wu (1709) Rd3

Douglas' first tournament win ever against older brother Adam. 1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 d6 3.Nge2 Nf6 4.g3 a6 5.Bg2 e6 6.0-0 Be7 7.d3 Nbd7 8.h3 Qc7 9.a4 Rb8 10.a5 b5 11.axb6 Nxb6 12.b3 Bb7 13.Be3 0-0 14.f4 d5 15.e5 Nfd7 16.Bf2 c4 17.bxc4 dxc4 18.Ne4 Rbc8 19.d4 Nd5 20.Rb1 Rb8 21.N2c3 Nxc3 22.Nxc3 Bxg2 23.Kxg2 Rxb1 24.Qxb1 Rb8 25.Qa2 Bb4 26.Na4 a5 27.c3 Be7 28.Nb2 Rb3 29.Kg1 Ba3 30.Nd1 a4 31.Qe2 Be7 32.d5 Bc5 33.d6 Bxf2+ 34.Rxf2 Qc6 35.Qe3 Qc5 36.Qxc5 Nxc5 37.Rd2 Nd7 38.Nb2 Rxc3 39.Nxa4 Rxc3+ 40.Kh2 Ra3 41.Nb6 Nxb6 42.d7 Nxd7 43.Rxd7 Kf8 44.Rc7 c3 45.Rc4 Ke7 46.Kg3 c2+ 47.Kg4 Ra2 48.Rc3 f6 49.Rc5 fxe5 50.fxe5 Ra5 51.Rc7+ Kd8 52.Rxc2 Rxe5 53.Ra2 Ke7 54.Kf4 Kf6 55.Ra8 Rf5+ 56.Ke4 Kg5 57.h4+ Kxh4 58.Ra7 Rg5 59.Ra1 Kh5 60.Ra6 e5 61.Ra1 Kg6 62.Ra6+ Kf7 63.Ra7+ Ke6 64.Ra6+ Kd7 65.Ra1 h5 66.Ra7+ Kc6 67.Ra6+ Kb5 68.Ra1 h4 69.Rh1 Rh5 70.Kd5 Kb4 71.Ke4 h3 72.Kf3 h2 73.Kg4 g6 74.Kg3 Kc3 75.Kg2 e4 76.Kf2 Kd2 77.Kg2 e3 78.Kf1 e2+ 79.Kf2 e1=Q+ 80.Rxe1 h1=Q (0-1)

D. Wu (1709) - N. McLean (1635) Rd5

A missed win by Douglas (see 41.Rc4 ??). 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.f3 0-0

6.Be3 e5 7.Nge2 Nbd7 8.d5 Ne8 9.Qd2 f5 10.0-0-0 f4 11.Bf2 Bh6 12.h4 a5 13.h5 g5 14.Kb1 Ndf6 15.g4 Nd7 16.Nc1 b6 17.Nd3 Nc5 18.Nb5 Nxd3 19.Qxd3 Ba6 20.Be2 Bxb5 21.cxb5 Qd7 22.Rc1 Rf7 23.Rc6 Rb8 24.Rhc1 Qd8 25.R1c4 Bf8 26.Qc2 h6 27.Be1 Ra8 28.Ra4 Rd7 29.Qc3 Bg7 30.Qa3 Rb8 31.b4 axb4 32.Bxb4 Qc8 33.Ra7 Rb7 34.Qa6 Rb8 35.a4 Qxa6 36.bxa6 Rdd8 37.Ka2 Ra8 38.Rxa8 Rxa8 39.a5 bxa5 40.Bxa5 Ra7 41.Rc4?? Rxa6 42.Ra4 Ra8 43.Ka3 Bf6 44.Bb5 Kf8 45.Bxe8 Kxe8 46.Bxc7 Rxa4+ 47.Kxa4 Kd7 48.Ba5 Kc8 49.Bb4 Be7 50.Kb5 Kb7 51.Ba5 Bf6 52.Bb6 Be7 53.Ba5 Bf6 54.Bb4 Be7 55.Ba3 Bf8 (draw)

M. Wong (1455) - D. Wu (1709) Rd4

Another 'missed win' by Douglas. 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bg5 e6 7.Bc4 Be7 8.f4 b5 9.Bb3 Qc7 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.Bxe6 Nc5 12.Bxf7+ Kxf7 13.Qe2 h6 14.Bxf6 Bxf6 15.0-0-0 Re8 16.Qh5+ Kf8 17.Nd5 Qf7 18.Qxf7+ Kxf7 19.Nc7 Rxe4 20.Nxa8 Bxd4 21.Nb6 Bg4 22.Rde1 Rxf4 23.Nd5 Rf5 24.Ne3 Bxe3+ 25.Rxe3 Rf2 26.h3 Bf5 27.Rf3 Rxf3 28.gxf3 g5 29.h4 g4 30.fxg4 Bxg4 31.Rf1+ Ke6 32.Kd2 h5 33.a3 Ke5 34.Ke3 d5 35.c3 Ne6 36.Rf2 Ng7 37.Rh2 Nf5+ 38.Kf2 Kf4 39.Rh1 Bf3 40.Rh3 Be4 41.Kg1 Kg4 42.Kh2 Nxb4 43.Rg3+ Kf4 44.Kh3 Nf3 45.Rg7 Bf5+ 46.Kg2 h4 47.Rf7 h3+ 48.Kh1 Kg4 49.Rg7+ Kh4 50.Rg8 Bg4 51.Ra8 Kg3 52.Rxa6 h2 53.Rg6 Kh3 54.Rh6+ Nh4 55.Rxh4+ Kxh4 56.Kxh2 Kg5 57.Kg3 Bd1 58.Kf2 Kf4 59.Ke1 Bb3 60.Kd2 Ke4 61.Ke2 Bc4+ 62.Kd2 Bd3 63.b3 d4 64.a4 (draw)

B. Wu (1864) - N. McLean (1635) Rd4

Beatrice seems up to the challenge to bust down Nathan's fortress, and nearly does, but misses a strong continuation (52.Rxf6 instead of 52.Rxh6+). 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 0-0 8.c3 d6 9.h3 Na5 10.Bc2 c5 11.d4 Qc7 12.d5 Bd7 13.Nbd2 Rac8 14.b3 Nb7 15.Nf1 b4 16.c4 a5 17.Ng3 Ne8 18.Nf5 Qd8 19.g3 Ra8 20.h4 Nc7 21.Nh2 Bxf5 22.exf5 f6 23.Qg4 Kh8 24.h5 h6 25.Nf3 Rf7 26.Nh4 Qe8 27.Qg6 Na6 28.f4 Rd8 29.fxe5 dxe5 30.Re4 Qf8 31.Qg4 Qe8 32.Ng6+ Kh7 33.Nh4 Kh8 34.Qg6 Qf8 35.Rg4 Bd6 36.Nf3 Nb8 37.Rh4 Nd7 38.Rh2 Qe8 39.Be4 Nf8 40.Qg4 Ra8 41.a4 Rc8 42.Raa2 Re7 43.Qh3 Nd8 44.Rag2 Nf7 45.g4 Rcc7 46.g5 hxg5 47.Nxg5 Nxg5 48.Bxg5 fxg5 49.Rxg5 Nh7 50.Rg6 Nf6 51.h6 gxh6 52.Rxh6+?! Rh7 53.Qh4 Rcg7+ 54.Kh1 Be7 55.Bf3 Rxh6 56.Qxh6+ Rh7 57.Qd2

Qg8 58.d6 Bd8 59.Bd5 Nxd5 60.Qxd5 Qxd5+ 61.cxd5 Kg7 62.Kg2 Rxxh2+ 63.Kxh2 Kf6 64.Kg3 Kxf5 65.Kf3 e4+ 66.Ke2 Kf4 (0-1)

J. Ventura (1530) - D. Wu (1709) Rd1
Douglas, with a good position, loses in time pressure. 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bg5 e6 7.f4 Be7 8.Be2 Qc7 9.0-0 Nbd7 10.Qd2 b5 11.a3 Bb7 12.Bf3 Nc5 13.Rae1 Rc8 14.Kh1 Ncd7 15.Rf2 Nb6 16.Be2 0-0 17.e5 Nfd5 18.Ne4 dxe5 19.fxe5 Qxe5 20.Bd3 Qxd4 21.Bxe7 Nxe7 22.Nd6 Qxb2 23.Nxb7 *Black is low on time (less than 5 minutes).* 23...Qxa3 24.Re3 Qa1+ 25.Rf1 Qb2 26.Nd6 Rc6 27.Ne4 Ned5 28.Rh3 Nb4 29.Nf6+ gxf6 30.Qh6 Rfc8 31.Bxh7+ Kh8 32.Bg6+ Kg8 33.Qh8+ (1-0)

M. Wong (1455) - N. McLean (1635) Rd1
An impressive tactical win by Nathan. 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 0-0 8.c3 d6 9.d4 Bg4 10.d5 Na5 11.Be2 Ne8 12.h3 Bh5 13.a4 c5 14.dxc6 Nxc6 15.axb5 axb5 16.Rxa8 Qxa8 17.g4 Bg6 18.h4 h6 19.h5 Bh7 20.g5 hxg5 21.Nxg5 Bxg5 22.Bxg5 f5 23.Qd5+ Kh8 24.Be7 Nf6 25.Qxd6 Nxe7 26.Qxe7 Re8 27.Qb4 fxe4 28.Qxb5 e3 29.Qe2 exf2+ 30.Qxf2 Ng4 31.Qe2 Qa7+ 32.Kg2 Rf8 33.Kg3 Bxc2 34.Kxg4 Qf7 35.Kh3 Qf5+ 36.Qg4 Qf2 37.Qg2 Bf5+ 38.Kh2 Qh4+ 39.Kg1 Qxe1+ 40.Qf1 Qg3+ 41.Qg2 Qxg2+ 42.Kxg2 Bxb1 43.b4 Rc8 44.Kf3 Rxc3+ 45.Ke2 e4 46.b5 Bd3+ 47.Kd2 Rb3 48.Kd1 Rb2 49.Kc1 Rc2+ 50.Kb1 e3 51.b6 e2 (0-1)

A. Wu (2078) - B. Wu (1864) Rd1
Adam beats his younger sister (annotation by Adam). 1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 d6 3.Nge2 Nc6 4.g3 Nf6 5.Bg2 g6 6.0-0 Bg7 7.d3 0-0 8.h3 *The last time this set up occurred in one of my games, I had Black against the Rocket and got wasted.* 8...a6 9.Be3 Bd7 10.f4 Rc8 *The rook is likely better placed on b8.* 11.a4 Be8?! *With the idea of vacating d7 for the knight on f6, but the loss of mobility of both Bishop and Rook is extremely great.* 12.Qd2 Nd7 13.f5 Nd4 14.Bh6 Bxh6?! 15.Qxh6 Nxc2 16.Rf4! +- Nf6 17.Rh4 Nxa1? 18.Nd5 Nh5 19.Nef4 f6 20.Ne6 Qd7 21.Rxh5 (1-0)

N. McLean (1635) - A. Wu (2078) Rd2
Adam sacrifices to break into Nathan's fortress. 1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 d6 4.f4 Nc6 5.Nf3 Bg4 6.Be3 Bxf3 7.gxf3 d5 8.e5 e6 9.h4 h5 10.Ne2 Nge7 11.Ng3 0-0 12.Qd2 Nf5 13.Nxf5 exf5 14.c3 Qd7 15.Bb5 a6 16.Bxc6 Qxc6 17.b4 a5 18.Kf2 Rfe8 19.a3 Re6 20.Qd3 b5 21.Rhb1 Qd7 22.Qd1 Rc6 23.Qd3 Rc4 24.Ke2 Qd8 25.Bf2 Bh6 26.Bg3 Bf8 27.Rh1 axb4 28.axb4 Be7 29.Rxa8 Qxa8 30.Be1 Qa2+ 31.Qd2 Qb3 32.Kf2 Bxb4 33.cxb4 Rc2 34.Ke2 Rxd2+ 35.Bxd2 Qb2 36.Ke3 Qa3+

37.Ke2 Qa7 38.Ke3 c6 39.Bc3 Qe7 40.Kf2 f6 41.exf6 Qxf6 42.Kg3 c5 43.bxc5 b4 44.Bb2 Qe6 45.Rc1 Qe2 46.Ba1 Qd2 47.Rb1 Kf7 48.c6 Ke7 49.Rb2 Qe1+ 50.Kg2 Qxa1 51.Rxb4 Kd6 52.Rb6 Qxd4 53.Ra6 Qd2+ 54.Kg3 Qe1+ 55.Kh2 Qe2+ 56.Kg3 Qxa6 (0-1)

M. Wong (1455) - A. Wu (2078) Rd5
Matthew's king walks into trouble. 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 g6 5.Be3 Bg7 6.f4 d6 7.Bb5 Bd7 8.c3 Nf6 9.Nd2 0-0 10.h3 a6 11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.Bd3 Qc7 13.g4 Rfb8 14.Qc2 Qb7 15.Qb3 Qxb3 16.axb5 a5 17.g5 Ne8 18.f5 Nc7 19.h4 a4 20.h5 a3 21.Rxa3 Rxa3 22.bxa3 Bxc3 23.Bc2 Nb5 24.hxg6 fxe6 25.fxe6 hxg6 26.a4 Nd4 27.Bxd4 Bxd4 28.Ke2 c5 29.Rh6 Kg7 30.e5 Bxe5 31.Rxg6+ Kf7 32.Kf3 Bc6+ 33.Kg4 Rb4+ 34.Nc4 Bd5 35.Kh5 Bf3+ 36.Kh6 Bc3 37.Kh7 Rb8 (0-1)

B. Wu (1864) - M. Wong (1455) Rd3
Beatrice finishes Matthew with a pretty king in the center mate. 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bg5 e6 7.Qf3 Be7 8.0-0-0 Qc7 9.Qg3 Nbd7 10.Be2 b5 11.f4 Bb7 12.Bxf6 Bxf6 13.Bxb5 axb5 14.Ndx5 Qb8 15.Nxd6+ Kf8 16.Nxf7 Kxf7 17.Rxd7+ Be7 18.Rhd1 Bc6 19.Rxe7+ Kxe7 20.Qxg7+ Ke8 21.Qxh8+ Kf7 22.Qxh7+ Kf6 23.e5+ Qxe5 24.fxe5+ Kxe5 25.Qg7+ Kf4 26.Rf1+ Ke3 27.Qe5# (1-0)

N. McLean (1635) - J. Ventura (1530) Rd3
Nathan's dropping of an exchange seems to affect his play afterwards. 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 d6 8.c3 0-0 9.h3 Na5 10.Bc2 c5 11.d4 Qc7 12.Nbd2 cxd4 13.cxd4 Bb7 14.Nf1 Rac8 15.Re2 Rfe8 16.Ng3 Bf8 17.Bg5 Nd7 18.Nf5 f6 19.Bc1 Nc6 20.d5 Nb4 21.Bb3 Nc5 22.Rc2? Nxc2 23.Qxc2 Nxb3 24.Qxb3 Rb8 25.Be3 Bc8 26.Rc1 Qb7 27.Rc6 Bxf5 28.exf5 Rec8 29.Rb6 Qa8 30.Rxb8 Rxb8 31.Nd2 b4 32.Qd3 Rb5 33.Nf1 Qxd5 34.Qc2 Qxa2 35.Qc8 a5 36.Ba7 Qf7 37.Qc6 Qb7 38.Qxb7 Rxb7 39.Be3 a4 40.Nd2 a3 41.bxa3 bxa3 (0-1)

D. Wu (1709) - B. Wu (1864) Rd2
A family-type draw in a position still with lots of play. 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bg5 e6 7.f4 Be7 8.Bc4 Nbd7 9.Qf3 Nc5 10.0-0-0 Qc7 11.Bb3 b5 12.a3 Bb7 13.Bxf6 Nxb3+ 14.Nxb3 Bxf6 15.Qd3 Ke7 16.Rhe1 Bxc3 17.bxc3 Rac8 18.f5 Rhd8 19.Kb2 e5 20.g4 h6 21.Qe3 f6 22.h4 Kf8 23.g5 hxg5 24.hxg5 fxe5 25.Rg1 (draw)

J. Ventura (1530) - B. Wu (1864) Rd5
Jason calls it quits when he blunders a piece. 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bg5 e6 7.f4 Be7 8.Be2 Nbd7 9.0-0 0-0 10.Rf3 Qc7 11.Rg3 Kh8 12.Bd3 Qb6 (0-1)

CALGARY JUNIOR CHESS CLUB

Site: McDougall United Church, 8516 Athabasca St SE. Selected Saturdays. Entry fee \$3. Registration 9:30 a.m. (rd 1 at 10:00). Interested in playing or helping out?—*contact Andrew Beingessner (249-3384).*

CJCC Tournament Schedule

Nov 19 Dec 17

EDMONTON JUNIOR CHESS CLUB

Tourneys some Saturdays. Low entry fees. Usually active chess (30 minutes per player). CFC/ACA memb. needed. Equipment is supplied. Interested in playing or helping out?—*contact Ford Wong (481-6474).*

Site—1994: Main Library (south of Churchill Square; Edmonton Room). Call Ford for registration time, etc.

Site—1995: Heritage Room, City Hall, 1 Sir Winston Churchill Square. 11:00 am to 5:00 pm. Due to limited time, tournament registration in 1995 is promptly at 11:00.

EJCC 1994 Schedule (Library)

Nov 19 Dec 3

[Chess Training—Nov 27]

EJCC 1995 Schedule (City Hall)

Jan 7 Feb 4 Mar 4 Apr 1 May 6

1994 Northern Alberta Junior by Ford Wong, TD

Jason Ventura and Matthew Wong beat out perennial favorites Beatrice and Douglas Wu to grab the two qualifying positions for the Alberta Junior. Jason required only four rounds to qualify, while Matthew claimed the final spot with a last round win over Beatrice. Other players who came out to contest the positions included Daryl Bertrand, Aaron Lovi and Cynthia Wu.

B. Wu (1864) - M. Wong (1455) Rd5

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Bc4 Ne5 7.Bb3 b6 8.f3 e6 9.0-0 Bb7 10.Bg5 Be7 11.Bxf6 Bxf6 12.Ba4+ Nd7 13.Ndb5 O-O 14.Nxd6 Ba6 15.Bb5 Bxb5 16.Ndx5 a6 17.Nd4 Qc7 18.Nde2 Rad8 19.Rb1 Ne5 20.Qc1 Nc4 21.Rd1 Qc5+ 22.Kh1 b5 23.Rxd8 Rxd8 24.b3 Nd2 25.b4 Qe3 26.Rb3 Bxc3 27.Nxc3 Qd4 28.Ra3 Qxb4 29.h3 h6 30.Ne2 Qc4 31.Nf4 Qc6 32.Rd3 Rxd3 33.Nxd3 Nc4 34.Nb4 Qd6 35.Nd3 f6 36.f4 Kf7 37.Qd1 e5 38.fxe5 Nxe5 39.Qh5+ Ke7 40.Nxe5 Qxe5 41.Qg4 Qg5 42.Qxg5 hxg5 43.g4 Ke6 44.Kg2 Ke5 45.Kf3 Kd4 46.a3 a5 47.c3+ Kxc3 48.e5 fxe5 49.Ke4 b4 50.axb4 axb4 51.Kxe5 b3 (0-1)

1994 Southern Alberta Junior

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[organizer: Jim Daniluk]

With all the previous champions too old to participate, a previously unheralded contestant would be crowned king. Hosted at the Alberta Vocational College on Sept. 24 and 25, the blistering pace of 45/60+SD/30 ensured that the entrants would have to play uncompromising chess.

After all the kings were laid bare, two contestants emerged as co-victors:

	1	2	3	4	5	Pts
1 *Nathan McLean	x	1	0	1	1	3.0
2 *John Rajchel	0	x	1	1	1	3.0
3 Danny Kiely	1	0	x	=	1	2.5
4 Tony Zaradic	0	0	=	x	1	1.5
5 Jordan Davies	0	0	0	0	x	0.0

(* = advances to Alberta Junior)

T. Zaradic - J. Davies Rd 1

1.f4 e5 2.e4 d6 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.Bb5 Bd7 5.Bxc6 Bxc6 6.Nc3 Qe7 7.O-O O-O-O 8.Qe2 g6 9.d4 Bg7 10.d5 Bd7 11.Be3 Kb8 12.fxe5 dxe5 13.Qf2 b6 14.Ng5 Nf6 15.a4 Bc8 16.a5 Ba6 17.Rfd1 Bb7 18.axb6 cxb6 19.Bxb6 axb6 20.Qxb6+ Kc8 21.d6 Qd7 22.Nb5 h6 23.Ra8+ Bxa8 24.Na7+ (1-0)

N. McLean - D. Kiely Rd 1

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.Nf3 Nf6 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Bb5 e6 7.O-O Bd6 8.Bg5 O-O 9.Re1 Bd7 10.Bxc6 Bxc6 11.Ne5 Be7 12.f4 Nd7 13.Bxe7 Qxe7 14.Qd3 Nf6 15.Nxc6 bxc6 16.Re3 Rab8 17.Rb1 Qd6 18.g3 c5 19.Na4 c4 20.Qd1 Ne4 21.Nc3 Nxc3 22.Rxc3 Rb4 23.b3 Rfb8 24.Rc1 Qa6 25.a4 cxb3 26.cxb3 g6 27.Rc6 R8b6 28.Qc2 Rxc6 29.Qxc6 Qxc6 30.Rxc6 Rxb3 31.Rc7 Rb4 32.Rxa7 Rxd4 33.a5 Ra4 34.Kf2 Ra2+ 35.Ke3 Rxh2 36.Kd4 Ra2 37.Kc5 Kg7 38.Kb6 Rb2+ 39.Ka6 d4 40.Rc7 d3 41.Rd7 d2 42.Ka7 Kh6 43.a6 Kh5 44.Ka8 Kg4

45.Rd3 f6 46.a7 e5 47.fxe5 fxe5 48.Rd7 e4 49.Rxb7 Rxb7 50.Kxb7 d1=Q 51.a8=Q Qd5+ 52.Kb8 Qxa8+ 53.Kxa8 e3 (0-1)

D. Kiely - J. Rajchel Rd 2

1.f4 Nc6 2.e3 d5 3.Bb5 Bd7 4.Nf3 a6 5.Bxc6 Bxc6 6.O-O Nf6 7.b3 e6 8.Bb2 Be7 9.h3 O-O 10.d3 b5 11.Ne5 Bb7 12.Nd2 c5 13.g4 d4 14.e4 h6 15.h4 Nd7 16.Nxd7 Qxd7 17.g5 e5 18.f5 hxg5 19.hxg5 Bxg5 20.Nf3 Bf4 21.Bc1 Qd6 22.Bxf4 exf4 23.Kf2 g6 24.Rg1 Kh7 25.Ng5+ Kg8 26.Qf3 Kg7 27.Rh1 Rh8 28.Rxh8 Rxh8 29.Rh1 Qf6 30.Rxh8 Kxh8 31.Qh3+ Kg7 32.Qh7+ Kf8 33.Qh4 Kg7 34.Qxf4 a5 35.Qg4 Qd6 36.Kf3 Qe5 37.fxg6 Kxg6 38.Ne6+ Kf6 39.Nf4 Qg5 40.Qd7 Qg1 41.Nh5+ Kg5 42.Qf5+ Kh6 43.Qh3 Qd1+ 44.Kf4 Qxh5 45.Qxh5 Kxh5 46.Kf5 Kh6 47.Kf6 Kh5 48.Kxf7 Kg5 49.Ke6 Kf4 50.Kd6 c4 51.e5 cxd3 52.cxd3 Bc8 53.b4 axb4 54.Kc5 Ke3 55.Kxb4 Kxd3 56.Kxb5 Kc3 57.a4 d3 58.a5 d2 (0-1)

N. McLean - T. Zaradic Rd 2

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.c4 c6 4.dxc6 Nxc6 5.Nf3 e5 6.d3 Bg4 7.a3 Bxf3 8.Qxf3 Nd4 9.Qd1 Be7 10.Nc3 O-O 11.Be2 Qd7 12.Be3 Nxe2 13.Qxe2 Ng4 14.Rd1 Nxe3 15.fxe3 Qc6 16.e4 Rad8 17.Nd5 Qc5 18.b4 Qd6 19.Rf1 Rd7 20.Rf3 Bh4+ 21.g3 Bd8 22.Kf1 Qh6 23.Kg2 Rd6 24.Qf2 g5 25.Rf1 f6 26.Rf5 g4 27.Kh1 b6 28.b5 Kf7 29.c5 bxc5 30.Qxc5 Rd7 31.Nxf6 (1-0)

J. Davies - D. Kiely Rd 3

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Nf6 5.Nxf6 gxf6 6.Nf3 Bg4 7.Be2 e6 8.h3 Bf5 9.b3 Nd7 10.Qd2 Qc7 11.Bb2 O-O-O 12.O-O-O Rg8 13.g4 Bd6 14.Kb1 Bf4 15.Qc3 Bg6 16.Nh4 Nb6 17.Nxg6 hxg6 18.Qa5 Kb8 19.c4 Rd7 20.c5 Nd5 21.Qxc7+ Kxc7 22.Bc4 Rgd8 23.Rd3 Nb4 24.Rf3 g5 25.Bc3 Bd5 26.Bxd5 Rxd5 27.Rd1 e5 28.Rfd3 e4 (0-1)

J. Rajchel - N. McLean Rd 3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.O-O Be7 6.d3 b5 7.Bb3 O-O 8.Bg5 d6 9.Bxf6 Bxf6 10.Bd5 Bb7 11.Nc3 Rb8 12.a4 b4 13.Ne2 Ne7 14.Bxb7 Rxb7 15.b3 c5 16.c3 a5 17.c4 Nc6 18.Qe2 Nd4 19.Nfxd4 cxd4 20.f4 Rc7 21.Rac1 Be7 22.Qb1 f6 23.g4 Qd7 24.f5 Qe8 25.h3 h5 26.Kh2 Kh7 27.Kg3 Rg8 28.h4 g6 29.Kh3 hxg4+ 30.Kxg4 gxf5+ 31.Kh3 Qh5 32.Ng3 Qg4+ 33.Kg2 Qxg3+ 34.Kh1 Qg2# (0-1)

T. Zaradic - J. Rajchel Rd 4

1.f4 Nc6 2.Nf3 d5 3.e3 Bg4 4.Be2 f5 5.O-O Nf6 6.d4 e6 7.a4 Ne4 8.c3 Bd6 9.Na3 a6 10.Nc2 O-O 11.b4 Nxc3 12.Qe1 Nxe2+ 13.Qxe2 Nxb4 14.Nxb4 Bxb4 15.Rb1 a5 16.h3 Bh5 17.Qf2 Be8 18.Ng5 Qe7 19.Bd2 Bxa4 20.Bxb4 axb4 21.Qe1 Bb5 22.Rf2 Ra4 23.Rfb2 h6 24.Nf3 g5 25.Ne5 Kg7 26.fxg5 hxg5 27.Qg3 Qf6 28.Rxb4 Rxb4 29.Rxb4 Bc6 30.Nxc6 bxc6 31.Rb7 f4 32.Rxc7+ Rf7 33.Rxf7+ Kxf7 34.Qf3 e5 35.dxe5 Qxe5 36.Qh5 Kg7 37.exf4 Qe3+ 38.Kh1 Qc1+ (0-1)

J. Rajchel - J. Davies Rd 5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Nd4 4.Nxd4 exd4 5.c3 c6 6.Bd3 dxc3 7.Nxc3 d5 8.exd5 cxd5 9.Bb5+ Bd7 10.Qe2+ Ne7 11.Nxd5 g6 12.Nf6# (1-0)

D. Kiely - T. Zaradic Rd 5

1.f4 d5 2.Nf3 c5 3.e3 g6 4.b3 Bg7 5.Nc3 e6 6.Bb2 Nc6 7.Bb5 Bd7 8.O-O Nge7 9.g4 f5 10.g5 a6 11.Be2 O-O 12.Kg2 Qc7 13.Rh1 d4 14.Na4 Qd6 15.Rb1 Na7 16.Ba1 b5 17.Nb2 dxe3 18.dxe3 Qxd1 19.Rhxd1 Bc6 20.Nd3 Bxa1 21.Rxa1 Bxf3+ 22.Bxf3 Rc8 23.Ne5 b4 24.Rd7 Nec6 25.Nxc6 Nxc6 26.Bxc6 Rxc6 27.Rad1 Rf7 28.h4 c4 29.Rxf7 Kxf7 30.Rd7+ Kg8 31.Rd4 cxb3 32.cxb3 Rc2+ 33.Kf3 Rxa2 34.Rxb4 a5 35.Ra4 Rxa4 36.bxa4 Kf8 37.e4 Ke8 38.e5 Kd7 39.Ke3 Kc6 40.Kd4 Kb6 (Black proposed a draw, White accepted)

1994 Southern Alberta Cadet

by Jim Daniluk, TD

The Southern Alberta Cadet was held Oct. 15-16 at the Alberta Vocational Center. Taking part were Jordan Davies (age 11), John Rajchel (11), Gerard O'Reilly (9) and promising newcomer Stephen Hazeltine (7).

John Rajchel qualified for one of the two spots in the Alberta Cadet, storming to a 4-0 start, then seeming to slack off. Jordan Davies played well in his last two games to tie Rajchel at 4-2, clinching the other spot. Highly talented Gerard O'Reilly's recent slump was reflected by his 3-3 score. It was a learning experience for Stephen Hazeltine, although he fought back very well against Rajchel to

score a point. Only 7, Stephen shows great promise. Congratulations to all.

	1	2	3	4	Pts	
1 J. Rajchel	1429	x/x	1/0	1/1	1/0	4.0
2 G. O'Reilly	1328	0/1	x/x	0/0	1/1	3.0
3 J. Davies	1410	0/0	1/1	x/x	1/1	4.0
4 S. Hazeltine	unr.	0/1	0/0	0/0	x/x	1.0

John Rajchel - Jordan Davies

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Nd4 4.Nxd4 exd4 5.c3 c6 6.Bd3 Bc5 7.O-O Ne7 8.b4 Bb6 9.a4 a6 10.Na3 O-O 11.Nc2 dxc3 12.dxc3 Re8 13.a5 Bc7 14.Qf3 Ng6 15.Qh5 Re5 16.Qe2 d5 17.Nd4 dxe4 18.Bxe4 f5 19.Qc4+ Kh8 20.Bf3 Qe8 21.Ra2 Re1 22.Be2 Qe5 23.Nf3 Rxf1+ 24.Bxf1 Qe8 25.Re2 Qf8 26.Ng5 Ne5 27.Rxe5 Bxe5 28.Nf7+ Kg8 29.Nxe5+ Kh8 30.Ng6+ hxg6 31.Qh4+ Kg8 32.Bc4+ (1-0)

1994 Northern Alberta Cadet

by John Quiring, TD

Four players showed up, so a round robin format was adopted. Douglas and Cynthia Wu were highest rated, so their first round match-up was a key game. Douglas got a good attack going on the king side, but Cynthia hemmed in his bishop and a draw was agreed when Douglas could make no more progress.

Cynthia Wu	2.5
Douglas Wu	2.5
Duncan Campbell	1.0
Jeremiah Gallinger	0.0

Cynthia and Douglas qualified for the Alberta Cadet. Thanks to Ford for organizing and to the players and parents for their support.

The EJCC September Sanity

by Adam Wu

The EJCC opened the 1994/95 season by welcoming 18 players to 2 sections: a 4-player double round robin for the 9 and under crowd, and a 5-round Swiss for the remaining 14 over-the-hill geriatrics. The division was made arbitrarily by organizer Ford Wong and co-TD Adam Wu, and had some warts. For example, newcomer Julian Fischer (along with sister Lisa—what names for chess players!), at age 10, probably would have been more successful in the younger group, while Canadian Chess Challenge Alberta grade 2 champ Angie Seitz, though only eight, could likely compete with the rest of the 'old fogies.'

Despite the tournament's name, co-TD's Adam and Beatrice Wu had extreme difficulty keeping theirs intact, as nearly every player suddenly decided to use all the allotted time every round, leaving 2 or 3 minutes for the hapless TD's to make the pairings. In the last round, the group of 6 players with 2 points had played each other so often, that of all the possible combinations and permutations of pairings between them, only one was marginally legal. Add to this time scrambles that struck unexpectedly, furiously, often, and invariably decisively, or the incident where a player called his opponent for touch move, who denied the call, and none of the 18 players, 2 TD's, 1 organizer, and 3 parents in the vicinity witnessed the incident, and it was a miracle we actually got some chess done.

[Note: I checked out the procedures for incidents such as the one mentioned above. The TD has the right to make an arbitrary decision in such cases, (which of course, can be appealed) ranging from issuing a warning, deciding in favour of one player or another, replaying the game, forfeiting both players, or even ejecting one or both players from the tournament. In my limited chess experience, I have never heard of the last two being used.]

Remember the Greek guy who skipped around the world on the phrase 'I come, I see, I conquer?' Well, much the same thing happened with **Angie Seitz**, who travelled 5 hours to Edmonton and cleaned house in the nine and under section, finishing with 5/6 and claiming a magnetic travelling chess set for her efforts. She so terrorized the opposition that we're still debating whether to allow her back into that section! Scott Mayo finished second with 4/6, and won the distinction of being the only player to dent Angie's record.

Now, back to the remaining 'over-the-hillers'. The 5-round Swiss quickly shaped up into a 3-way race between Matthew Wong, Cynthia Wu, and Jeremiah Gallenger. As they met and murdered each other in the middle rounds in games that utterly defied logic, Bernie Kan calmly racked up the points and joined them, so that when round five rolled around, four players were vying for first, and playing each other.

In round three, Matthew Wong met Cynthia Wu. With the black pieces, Cynthia achieved a comfortable position, and then the

old ticker struck, and the tables turned abruptly. In the ensuing scramble, Matthew earned the notable distinction of being the first player since Aaron Lovi to use more time than Cynthia. Matthew outplayed his opponent in the time scramble, but, unfortunately, his flag fell just before he had MATE IN ONE!

Round 4 saw Jeremiah and Cynthia playing for the lead. After weathering a blistering attack, Cynthia achieved a winning material edge. But then the clock struck again, and when the dust cleared, Jeremiah found himself with four pawns for a piece. Unfortunately, they were configured into two pairs of doubled, isolated pawns, and the game ended drawn.

Fireworks also flew in the last round, as Jeremiah and Matthew played ping pong with their queens. Matthew got the last lucky bounce, however, and ended up with an extra queen. **Cynthia Wu**, for the upteenth time, weathered a sacrificial attack and a time scramble against Bernie Kan to claim clear first with 4.5/5. Paul Kirvan defeated Alim Merali to take the under-1200 prize with 3/5.

The EJCC extends a warm welcome to the five newcomers (you know who you are!) and hopes that they will return in the future.

Finally, the players were entertained with an excruciatingly difficult problem, courtesy of Ford, that nobody could solve until Ford revealed the first move. As well, Aaron Lovi and Douglas Wu played a four game active match concurrently with the tournament, which Aaron won 3-1.

EJCC October Oddity "Active"

by Ford Wong

The Wu's were playing in the Alberta Open, so a low turnout might have been expected. However, 15 players ventured forth to do battle. **Matthew Wong**, who recently qualified for the Alberta Junior, emerged victorious with a perfect 5-0 score. In the Under 1100 section, Alim Merali appeared to have a book prize in hand, but saw it go to lowest-rated Mike McColl, who won in the last round against Ben Berci. Mark Kirvan, EJCC co-organizer, relented under intense pressure and let 7-year-old daughter Helen don armour and enter into her first 64-square fray. In addition to Helen, another new combatant welcomed was Steven Rutledge, who came looking for some worthy opponents...and found them.

P. Kirvan (1187) - B. Kan (1220) Rd3
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Nge7 4.O-O a6
5.Bxc6 Nxc6 6.d4 Bd6 7.dxe5 Nxe5 8.Nxe5
Bxe5 9.Qd5 d6 10.Nc3 Qg5 11.g3 Qf6
12.Ne2 Bh3 13.Re1 Qf3 14.Nf4 Bxf4 15.e5
Qxd5 16.exd6+ Kd8 17.dxc7+ Bxc7 (0-1)

Top Junior Wins Kreisel Scholarship

The Henry Kreisel Memorial Honors Scholarships are awarded annually to students with superior academic achievement in Grade 11 who enroll at the U of A after finishing high school. Earning the scholarship is a major accomplishment (in 1994 only 7 students were chosen, ahead of nearly 1,000 candidates!). **Adam Wu** was a recipient this year, enrolling in the Faculty of Science. Way to go, Adam! (Hmmm... maybe chess helps with academic studies...)

If Life as a TD isn't Tough Enough...

by Ford Wong

After day one of the 1800-and-Over/Under 1800, and having just received a honorarium from the ACA for TDing two summer tournaments, Jeff Cummer decided to join the out-of-town players for some late night pizza. If times weren't already tough enough, Jeff never had a chance to enjoy spending his honorarium—when we went for pizza 'with meat', he discovered someone had stolen the seat on the bicycle he had borrowed from his roommate, and had to spend most of the honorarium to replace the seat! Oh, well...

Alberta 1800-and-Over / Under 1800

by Ford Wong

The fifteen player 1800-and-Over was won by **Dale Haessel**, with a 4.5/5 score. Greg Huber and John Ferrar tied for second place. John, an expert from the British Isles and a newcomer to Alberta, had a performance rating of 2300. He scored 3.5, playing the top five seeds, beating Huber, Tot and Daniluk, drawing Haessel, and losing to Odachowski. John took the Under 2000 and Unrated prize, leaving Huber to take the second place prize money.

The Under 1800 began with eight but finished with five players. **Nathan McLean** easily cleaned up with a perfect 5-0. Jens Kastrup came second. TD Jeff Cummer, who provided the info for this report, says that "People who come to tournaments should play for the entire tournament. It's annoying when people drop out" (*Yes, very annoying, particularly if it is without notice—ed.*), especially when it means pairing five players for the fifth round of a five-round Swiss...a tournament director's nightmare.

ACA TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

[This is the latest info we have (you can phone to verify; check next ACR for updates). It's believed all are: no smoking, no computers.]

November 12-13 Calgary
Southern Alberta Open
•Alberta Closed Qualifier•

December 10-11 Edmonton
Alberta Cadet (qualification required)

December 17-18 Edmonton
Winter Open
(‘Weekend Before Christmas Open’)

February 25-26 Edmonton
Northern Alberta Open
•Alberta Closed Qualifier•
(likely at the U of A, with details similar to those in the Winter Open announcement)

Alta-B.C. Peace River Grand Prix
(see the box to the right for dates and info)

'94-'95 Tournaments—Kamloops, B.C.
Schedule: Nov 26; Dec 20-21 (B.C. Amateur); Jan 28, Feb 25, Mar. 25, Apr. 14-15 (Easter Open), July 6-8 (B.C. Interior Championship). If you might be out that way, and want more info, write to the ACR for a copy of the brochure, or contact: G. Hara, 821 Munro St, Kamloops, BC V2C 6E9 [604-374-1405/w, 604-376-8776/h]

SOUTHERN ALBERTA OPEN

November 12-13 Calgary

•Alberta Closed Qualifier•

Quality Inn
2359 Banff Trail
(in Motel Village)

Register: 8:00-8:45 am
Entry Fee: \$20.00 senior \$15.00 junior

5 Rd SS (Rd 1: 9:00 am)
TC: 40/1:50 15/30

TD: Paul Usselman (270-0493)

WINTER OPEN

December 17-18 Edmonton

University of Alberta
Students' Union Bldg (114 St & 89 Ave)
Main Function Room
(room 021: downstairs, behind arcade)

Register: 9:00-9:45 am
5 Rd SS (Rd 1: 10:00 am)

TC: 40/1:50 15/30
Entry Fee: \$20.00 senior \$15.00 junior

TD: Ford Wong (481-6474)

Clocks, vinyl boards, chess pieces for sale...the ACA plans to make them available at the above two events, as well as at the Northern Alberta Open and some other ACA tournaments.

1994-95 11TH ANNUAL ALTA-B.C. PEACE RIVER GRAND PRIX

Nov 26 B.C. vs Alta Team Match
Dawson Creek, B.C.
Contact: Larry Stutzman (604) 785-7830

Jan 14 & 15 Trumpeter Classic*
Grande Prairie, Alta
Contact: Phil Lefkowitz (403) 538-1903

Feb 18 Dawson Creek Spring Active*
Dawson Creek, B.C.
Contact: Jim Kanester (604) 782-5637

Mar 25 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 prize (points based on sum of 4 best scores), *must play in at least 4 of the 5 GP events* (remaining events indicated by *). No one may win more than one prize. Based on \$1.50 fee/entrant/event: 1st overall 30% of prize fund, 2nd overall 20%; 1st under 1700 30%, 2nd under 1700 20%. Jim Williams Memorial Trophy to overall winner. Ratings used for GP purposes are *regular* ratings as per the 1994 *En Passant* Yearbook (i.e. August issue).

**Next ACA Casino
in Edmonton
'July - September' 1995**

The ACA will host its second casino, in Edmonton, sometime during July to September 1995. A casino can raise a lot of money with relatively little effort. Our first casino, in Calgary, raised over \$21,000. Great support was shown by Calgary ACA members. **We hope the same will be true of Edmonton-area members.**

We must rely on members, especially Edmontonians this time, for support. We **need** volunteers to work the casino. Signup forms will be posted at the Edmonton and Calgary clubs. If you can help, **please** sign up or call Ford Wong (481-6474). **Volunteers must register several months in advance—please don't wait too long.**

Qualifying for the 1995 Alberta Closed —full rules available from the ACA—

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

ALL wishing to participate (qualifiers or by rating) must register **in writing**. The ACA must receive the written registration by **March 10**. It is the potential entrant's responsibility to register—the ACA need **not** issue invitations.

Eight player round robin. EF \$20—all to prize fund; *qualifying tournaments contrib-*

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

Each candidate must have been an Alberta resident at least 6 months in the year before the Closed. Candidates qualify by earliest eligible qualification chance. Check rules for tiebreaking. If player(s) still needed (*no automatic entrants by rating!*), the registrant(s) highest rated in the latest CFC rating list before March 10, will be accepted (**entrants by rating must also have completed at least 1 qualifier**—the Northern Alberta Open, Feb 25-26, is the final qualifier scheduled).

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

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

Qualifying events for the '95 Alta Closed
'94: Alta Closed; Alta Open; Alta Jr Closed; S. Alta Open; '95: Edmonton Closed; Calgary Closed; N. Alta Open; "Rural Candidate".

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