



# ALBERTA CHESS REPORT



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The second edition of the "revived" Battle of Alberta was held in August, with a tremendous team of masters from Calgary facing a seemingly hopelessly outrated Edmonton team.

As usual, Edmonton dragged up some old faces (last time Jonathan Schaeffer and Len Steele; this time Zoltan Baunok and Gerald Aspler), who bolstered the team with their solid performances. Also similar to the last event was the crushing win for Calgary in round 1 (last time 9-3, this time 8-4), followed by Edmonton surging back in round 2 (last time 6-6, this time 6.5-5.5).

Again congratulations to the team captains Dave Gomboc and Ford Wong, and to TD Neil Sharp for running a superb event.

### Ristovic- Fullbrook [D26]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.e3 Nf6 4.Bxc4 e6 5.Nf3 a6 6.0-0 Be7 7.Qe2 Nbd7 8.Rd1 b5 9.Bd3 Bb7 10.a4 c6 11.Bd2 0-0 12.Rc1 Qb8 13.Na3 e5 14.dxe5 Nxe5 15.Nxe5 Qxe5 16.Bc3 Qg5 17.Nc2 Rad8 18.f4 Qh6 19.Nd4 g6 20.Nf3 Nd5 21.Bd4 Rfe8 22.Ne5



33.gxh4 Rxh4 34.Kc3 Rd4 35.Rb3 b4 36.Kf2 f5 37.Ke3 Rh4 38.Kd3 Rh3+ 39.Kc4 Rxb3 40.Kxb3 f4 41.Kc4 g5 0-1

### Gardner-Huber [B93]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bd3 g6 7.f4 Bg7 8.Nf3 Nc6 9.0-0 0-0 10.Qe1 b5 11.Qh4 b4 12.Ne2 Qa5 13.f5 gxf5

## Battle of Alberta 1997

10½	Edmonton	Calgary	13½
1	Fullbrook	Ristovic	1
1	Gardner	Huber	1
1	Baunok	South	1
1	Aspler	Haessel	1
½	Karmali	Maric	1½
0	Wong	Yearwood	2
2	Ottosen	Ferrar	0
½	Quiring	Demers	1½
1½	D.Wu	Walker	½
0	McLean	Kuczaj	2
1½	Dartana	Milne	½
½	Hughey	Gomboc	1½

(diagram) Nxf4 14.Ng3 fxe4  
23.Qf2 Bh4 24.Qxf4 15.Nxe4 Nxe4  
Qxf4 25.exf4 Rxd4 16.Qxe4 Qc5+  
26.axb5 cxb5 17.Be3 f5 18.Bc4+  
27.Rc7 Re7 28.Rac1 Kh8 19.Qd3 Ne5  
Rxf4 29.g3 Rd4 20.Bxc5 Nxd3  
(diagram) 21.Bd5  
Nxc5 22.Bxa8 Be6  
23.Ng5 Rxa8  
24.Nxe6 Nxe6  
25.Rxf5 Bxb2  
26.Re1 Bd4+ 27.Kf1 Be5 28.Rf7 Re8 29.g3  
Kg8 30.Rf2 Nd4 31.Re4 Rf8 32.Rg4+ Bg7  
33.Rxf8+ Kxf8 34.Rf4+ Kg8 35.Rf2 Bh6  
36.Ke1 Be3 37.Rg2 e5 38.g4 Nb5 39.Ke2  
Bd4 40.Kd3 d5 41.g5 Kg7 42.h4 Kg6 43.Rh2  
a5 44.Rh1 Kh5 45.Rf1 Kxh4 46.Rh1+ Kxg5



47.Rxh7 e4+ 48.Kd2 Nc3 0-1

### Baunok-B.South [C44]

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.c3 Nf6 4.d4 Nxe4 5.d5 Nb8 6.Nxe5 Bd6 7.Qg4 Bxe5 8.Qxe4 0-0 9.Bd3 Bxc3+ 10.Kd1 f5 11.Qc4 Be5 12.f4 Bd6 13.Nc3 a6 14.a4 b5 15.Qb3 b4 16.Ne2 a5 17.Nd4 Qh4 18.g3 Qh5+ 19.Be2 Qf7 20.Nb5 Bb7 21.Bc4 Na6 22.Be3 Rae8 23.Kd2 Re4 24.Rhe1 Rfe8 (diagram) 25.Bb6 Kh8 26.Nxd6 cxd6 27.Rxe4 Rxe4 28.Re1 Nc5 29.Bxc5 Rxe1 30.Kxe1 dxc5 31.d6 Qe8+ 32.Kd2 Qe4 33.Qd3 Qc6 34.Bb5 Qg2+ 35.Qe2 Qd5+ 36.Kc1 Qh1+ 37.Qd1 Qxh2 38.Bxd7 Qxg3 39.Bxf5 Qxf4+ 40.Qd2 Qf1+ 41.Qd1 Qxf5 42.d7 Qg5+ 43.Qd2 Qd8 44.Qd6 Kg8 45.Kd2 Kf7 46.Ke3 Qe7+ 0-1



### Haessel-Aspler [B90]

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Be3 e5 7.Nf3 Be7 8.Bc4 0-0 9.0-0 Bg4 10.h3 Bh5 11.a4 Nc6 12.g4 Bg6 13.Nd2 h5 14.g5 Nh7 15.h4 Qc8 16.Kh2 Re8 17.Nd5 Bb8 18.a5 Bd8 19.Nb6 Bxb6 20.Bxb6 Ne7 21.Qf3 Nf8 22.Bb3 Ne6 23.Rfd1 Nc5 24.Nc4 Bxe4 25.Qxh5 Qf5 26.Bxc5 Bf3 27.Qxf7+ Qxf7 28.Nxd6 Qxb3 29.cxb3 Bxd1 30.Nxe8 Bxb3 31.Nd6 Nc6 32.Bb6 Kf8 33.Ra3 Bd5 34.Rd3 Ne7 35.Bc5 Kg8 36.Re3 Nc6 37.b4 g6 38.Kg3 Kg7 39.Rd3 Be6 40.Rf3 Ne7 41.Rf6 Bd5 42.h5 gxh5 43.Kh4 Rh8 44.Nf5+ Nxf5+ 45.Rxf5 Re8 46.Bd6 Kg6 47.Rf6+ Kg7 48.Kxh5 e4 49.Bc5 Be6 50.Bd4 Kg8 51.Rh6 Re7 52.g6 1-0

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## 1997 Alberta Open, Red Deer, October 11-13 Guaranteed \$1000 prize fund (1st overall: \$300)

6 round swiss, Winner qualifies to 1998 Alberta Closed

ACA Annual General Meeting, October 12

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#### Deadline for next issue: Nov 15, 1997

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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 the players to send in rating and membership reports ASAP. Also, please send a written report to the *ACR*. Support your Alberta newsletter!

#### Another boring editorial...

A welcome sight in the most recent *ACR* is a sampling of games and articles from a variety of individuals, from a variety of parts of Alberta. Sometimes the *ACR* focuses quite heavily on the whole Edmonton-Calgary duo, and tournaments like the Medicine Hat Open can easily be lost in the shuffle. Although I wasn't able to make it this year (and believe me, I REALLY wanted to watch Ford get into time pressure and be dismantled by Big Bad Bill Taylor), the year I did play provided insight into the difference between the "majors" and the "minors".

In what I call the "major" tournaments, the winner qualifies to the Alberta Closed. These are the tournaments that have the high number of masters, the nice prize funds, that everyone does (or at least tries to) attend. At these tournaments, the average player spends his time hacking around board 15, while the masters fight their way through to decide who gets the plum: the spot in the Alberta Closed.

In the "minors", the prize money can sometimes be pretty significant (the High Level Stardust Classic actually had the highest first prize of any ACA tournament in the past year), but the atmosphere is truly special. The ACA's regional organizers treat their tournaments like their "babies", because it is their chance to show the big city boys that they know a thing or two about chess, and about chess organization. The Trumpeter in Grande Prairie, the High Level Stardust Classic, the Peace Valley Open, and the Medicine Hat Open all serve as a reminder of how fun chess can be when the game is not treated as a matter of life and death.

In a few "administrative" notes, the NEW Alberta Closed rules are published on page 3. They have been simplified, but if there are any misunderstandings, feel free to ask any Board member. With the *ACR* itself, the reader may notice a slight change in the game formats; the ECO Code for each game is added beside the players names. I don't really know if people want this information, or would prefer to have the actual name of the opening instead, so give me some feedback...

David

#### Coming Next Issue...

##### Time to qualify for the Closed...

By the time the next *ACR* arrives, the Closed will have started to take shape, as the winners of the Alberta Open and Southern Alberta Open will have been determined....

#### Top Rated Albertans

1. Huber, Gregory	2366
2. Hawkes, Rob	2362x
3. Ristovic, Nenad	2356
4. South, Robert	2305
5. Fullbrook, Nigel	2302
6. Gardner, Robert J.	2300
7. Maric, Victor	2275p
8. Haessel, Dale	2272
9. South, Fred	2272x
10. Frialde, Arniel	2257
11. Yearwood, Roy	2255
12. Sharp, Neil	2245
13. Grumic, Sasha	2241
14. Demers, Christopher	2238
15. Schaeffer, Jonathan	2238
16. Brebrich, Branimir	2225x
17. Purewal, Sardul	2215x
18. Tot, Nandor	2210
19. Wilson, Ted	2205
20. Gibney, Eugene	2199x
21. Walker, Warrick	2190
22. Ferrar, John	2185
23. Odachowski, Arthur	2181
24. Daniluk, Jim	2178
25. Campbell, Gordon	2160x
26. Rabljenovic, Milan	2145x
27. Zaradic, Ante	2145
28. Brown, Grant	2133
29. Baunok, Zoltan	2110
30. Willis, Bradley J.	2108
31. Newton, Geoff	2105
32. Ottosen, David	2102
33. Kuczaj, Chris	2098
34. Monaghan, Jim	2090x
35. Turingan, Virgilio	2078x
36. Milne, Arthur	2065
37. Aspler, Gerald	2049
38. Gomboc, Dave	2047
39. Watson, Walter	2046
40. Danglapen, Leo	2041
41. Nazarian, Farzan	2038
42. Flemming, James	2035
43. Karmali, Hafiz	2030
44. Davies, Tedge	2021
45. Fegyverneki, Barney	2014
46. Remoroza, Alvin	2013p
47. Clark, Alan	2012p
48. Wu, Douglas	2009
49. Hinds, Dr. Ronald	2001
50. Wong, Ford	2001

#### Top Rated Albertans Legend

x - Inactive

p - Provisional

**NEWS FROM THE ALBERTA CHESS ASSOCIATION**

By Walter Watson, President

The ACA's Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday, October 12 in Red Deer between rounds 3 and 4 of the Alberta Open. As I mentioned last time, the positions of President, Treasurer and five directors are up for election this year. It seems that three

directors will not be running again, so there is lots of room for those wanting to contribute. Please talk to me or another board member to find out what to expect.

This completes my two-year term as president. I had not served on the board before, and was pleasantly surprised by the experience. The board members are an outspoken lot but also hardworking, and the

ACA benefits greatly from their ideas and energy. My job as president was mostly to maintain a balance and try to keep everyone working together. There is always room for improvement, and I hope those not on the board will make a point of giving feedback to board members.

*(and thanks to Walter for an excellent job as President-ed)*

**Current ACA Board Members (x indicates outgoing)**

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Art Milne, Dave Gomboc (x), Neil Sharp, Peter Alderton

Elections held at ACA AGM; Nominations from floor, followed by (if necessary) secret ballot vote

**ACA Financial Statments**

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements  
Year Ended December 31, 1996

<b>Revenues</b>	
Fundraising	0.00
Memberships	1,232.00
Interest	1,747.37
Tournament Equipment	2987.40
Donations	115.00
Tournament Income	5386.50
ASPRW Foundation	9435.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,885.27</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
General Administration	795.74
Board Meetings	508.24
Alberta Chess Report	2,066.10
Club Support	2,807.50
Travel:National Champions	3,599.55
Cost Of Tournament Equip	3,152.75
Tournament Expenses	9,080.60
Tournament Supplies	822.65
Fundraising	900.00
Canadian Open Championship	11,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>34,733.13</b>
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>	<b>(13,847.86)</b>
<b>Unexpended Revenue</b>	
Beginning of year	42,175.29
Plus Net Income (Loss)	(13,847.86)
Unexpended Revenue	
<b>End of year</b>	<b>28,327.43</b>

Balance Sheet

As At December 31, 1996

<b>Assets</b>	
Cash	8,744.56
Investments (GIC)	19,582.87
<b>Total</b>	<b>28,327.43</b>
<b>Liabilities and Unspent Revenues</b>	
Unspent Revenue	28,327.43
<b>Total</b>	<b>28,327.43</b>

**Alberta Closed Rules**

adopted by the ACA Board as of August 1997

New rules include the specific deadline for submitting your registration to play, the increased participation point requirement, and the minimum rating requirement for rating list qualification. Note that the minimum rating applies ONLY to those who wish to qualify by rating; winning a qualifying tournament earns you the right to play, regardless of rating.

1. No more than eight players will contest the Alberta Closed Championship. They include the defending champion and the winners of these 6 qualifying tournaments: Alberta Junior; Calgary Closed; Edmonton Closed; Alberta Open; Northern Alberta Open; Southern Alberta Open. The ACA may also, at its discretion, sponsor a Last Chance Open Qualifier that is open to all and acts as a qualifier to the Alberta Closed for all except participants in the Edmonton Closed and Calgary Closed.

a) All players must satisfy the criteria specified in rules 5 and 7  
b) If the winner of the Edmonton or Calgary Closed is unable to play, that position will be filled by the second place qualifier of that tournament

c) If there is a tie for first at a qualifying tournament (excluding the Edmonton and Calgary Closed), the qualifier will be determined by applying the tie breaking system prescribed in the most current CFC Handbook

2. The Closed will be a single round robin tournament, held on the Easter weekend. There will be 2 games on Friday, 3 games on Saturday, and 2 games on Sunday. Adjournments will be played Sunday morning (if not earlier). Round times will be determined by the organizer. If there is a tie for first, a match will be held to determine the Champion.

3. The Alberta Closed will rotate among Edmonton, Calgary, and Red Deer.

4. The prize fund will consist of a minimum of \$300, including the \$20 entry fee from each player. The prize distribution will be: 1st 50%, 2nd 30%, 3rd 20%.

5. All players who intend to participate in the Alberta Closed Chess Championship (including those who may be selected by rating) must register in writing to the ACA, to be received by **March 10**. Each candidate must produce, where necessary, proof that they meet all the eligibility criteria.

6. Vacant positions in the Closed will be filled by the highest rated players who have registered in accordance with rule 5. Ratings will be based on the most current CFC rating list issued prior to March 10. Only players with established minimum CFC ratings of 2100 will be considered.

7. All players must:  
a) have played in and completed at least one qualifying tournament (except the defending champion)

b) be residents of Alberta for the six months preceding the Closed

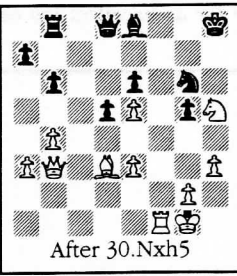
c) have obtained 2.5 participation points in the year preceding the Closed, as follows:

- i) each player receives 1 point for playing in or directing a qualifying tournament
- ii) each player receives 0.5 points for playing in or directing each other tournament in Alberta
- iii) at most 1 point can be earned by directing
- iv) a person may not receive points both for directing and playing in the same tournament

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**Maric-Karmali [C02]**

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 cxd4 6.cxd4 Bb4+ 7.Nc3 Nge7 8.Bd3 Qb6 9.0-0 Bd7 10.Na4 Qd8 11.a3 Ba5 12.b4 Bc7 13.Bg5 h6 14.Be3 Nf5 15.Rc1 0-0 16.Nc5 Rb8 17.Qc2



Bb6 18.Qb3 Nce7 19.Bd2 g5 20.h3 Be8 21.Be3 Ng6 22.Nh2 Bxc5 23.Rxc5 b6 24.Rcc1 f6 25.Ng4 fxe5 26.dxe5 Nxe3 27.fxe3 Rxf1+ 28.Rxf1 h5 29.Nf6+ Kh8 30.Nxh5 Nxe5 31.Rf8# 1-0

**Yearwood- Wong [E76]**

1.e4 g6 2.c4 Bg7 3.d4 d6 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.f4 0-0 6.Nf3 c5 7.dxc5 Qa5 8.Bd3 Qxc5 9.Qe2 Nc6 10.a3 a6 11.h3 Nh5 12.Be3 Nd4 13.Qf2 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 Qa5 15.Bd2 Rb8 16.Rb1 e6 17.g4 Nf6 18.h4 Qd8 19.h5 d5 20.e5 Ne4 21.Nxe4 dxe4 22.Bxe4 f6 23.hxg6 fxe5 24.Qh3 h6 25.f5 exf5 26.Bd5+ 1-0

**Ferrar-Ottosen [B67]**

Notes by Ottosen

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Bg5 e6 7.Qd2 a6 8.0-0-0 To this point, identical to our round 1 game, which continued 8...h6 8...Bd7 9.f4 b5 10.a3 Qb6?! 11.Nb3?! 11.e5! dxe5 12.Ndx5 axb5 13.Bxf6 led to a win for white in Romanishin-Zurakhov, USSR 1968 11...Rc8!? 11...Ng4 held some appeal for me, as Black threatens 12...Nf2 as well as 12...Qe3. I expected a line like 12.Bh4 Qe3 13.Qxe3 Nxe3 14.Rde1 Nxf1 15.Rhxf1, which seemed all right for me as the d6 pawn is no longer so weak. The ultimate reason I avoided this move was that this kind of Q trade in the Sicilian generally gives black only equality, and after round 1, I knew Edmonton needed wins, so I played the more aggressive continuation 12.Be2 With the idea 13.e5 12...b4! only move 12...Be7 13.e5 Nd5 (13...dxe5?? 14.Bxf6 wins) 14.Nxd5 exd5 15.exd6 (15.Bxe7 Nxe7 16.exd6 Qxd6) 15...Bxg5 16.fxg5+, or 12...e5 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Nd5 Qd8 15.f5+- 13.axb4 Nxb4 with the idea 14...Rxc3 14.Bf3? 14.Qd4! A) 14...Na2+ 15.Nxa2 Qxb3 16.Nc3 Rxc3 (16...Qb7 17.Bxf6 gxf6 18.Qxf6+-) 17.bxc3 (17.Qxc3 Qxc3 18.bxc3 Nxe4 with compensation) 17...Qa3+ 18.Kd2 d5; B) 14...Qxd4 15.Rxd4 Nc6 16.Rd2 a5 17.Rhd1 with a lead in development and the sounder pawn structure 14...a5 15.Qd4 15.Kb1 a4 16.Nd4 a3 17.b3 (17.bxa3 Nbd5+ -) 17...a2+ 18.Nxa2 Nxc2! 19.Bxf6 (19.Nxc2 Qxb3+ 20.Kc1 Ba4 21.Nab4 Qa3+ 22.Kb1 Bxc2+ 23.Nxc2 Rb8+ -) 19...gxf6 20.Nc1 Na3+ 21.Ka1 (21.Kb2 Nc4+) 21...Bg7 22.f5 0-0 -+ 15...Qc7! 15...Qxd4? 16.Rxd4 (16.Nxd4 Be7 17.e5 dxe5 18.fxe5 Nfd5 19.Bxe7 Kxe7) 16...e5 17.Rd2 a4 18.Na5 a3 19.bxa3 Rxc3

20.axb4+- 16.Rd2?? 16.Bxf6 was the only move 16...gxf6 17.Qxf6 Na2+ 18.Kb1 Nxc3+ 19.Qxc3 (19.bxc3 Qxc3 20.Qxc3 Rxc3 transposes) 19...Qxc3 20.bxc3 Rxc3 21.Nxa5 Ba4 22.Rd4 Bxc2+! 23.Kb2 Rxf3 24.gxf3 Bg7 25.e5 dxe5 26.Rd2 Bg6 unclear 16...e5!!



(diagram) winning in every variation, although it may be hard to believe. The main idea is to deflect the Q away from attacking the N/b4, which will then free the black a-pawn to tear open the white Q-side. However, if the black attack does not succeed, the move 16...e5 will be a horrible positional concession. A good example of tactics triumphing over strategy 17.Qf2 I had thought in first annotating this game that 17.Qe3 would allow white to survive by guarding the N/b3 at some later point. However, the following line shows that this is not the case; black's attack is simply too strong 17...a4 18.Na1 a3 19.Bxf6 gxf6 20.g3 axb2+ 21.Kxb2 d5! 22.Nxd5 Nxd5 23.exd5 Bc5 24.Qe2 (24.Qe4 Ba3+ -) 24...Ba3+ 25.Ka2 Qc3 26.Rb1 Ra8 17...a4 18.Na1 a3 19.Nd1 19.Ne2 axb2+ 20.Kxb2 Qb7 21.Nb3 Rxc2+!! 22.Kb1 Rxd2 23.Nxd2 Nd3+ 24.Kc2 Nxf2 19...axb2+ 20.Kxb2 In playing 16...e5 I had seen this far, and was confident my attack would be winning. Now however, I was faced with finding the win 20...Qa5 21.Nc3 Ra8 21...Rxc3 was tempting, as it forces white to walk into double discovered checks while white is in heavy time pressure. However, I did not see a clear follow up, and decided that the attack could succeed even without such violent measures. Apparently 21...Rxc3 would have won, although the game continuation is just as good: 22.Kxc3 d5 23.Nb3 Na2+ 24.Kd3 Bb5+ 25.Ke3 Qc3+ 26.Rd3 d4+ 27.Ke2 Qxc2+ 22.Nb3 Qa3+ 23.Kb1 Be6 24.Nd5 24.Nb5 Qa2+ 25.Kc1 Bxb3 26.Rdd1 Rc8+ 24...Nfxd5 25.exd5 Bf5 26.Qe3 Nxc2! 27.Rxc2 Qa2+ 0-1

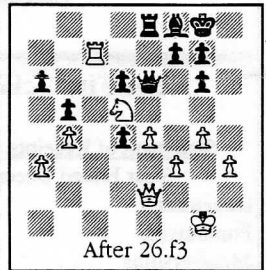
**Quiring- Demers [C07]**

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 c5 4.c3 cxd4 5.cxd4 Nc6 6.Ngf3 Bb4 7.Bd3 dxe4 8.Bxe4 Nf6 9.Bxc6+ bxc6 10.Qa4 Qb6 11.a3 Be7 12.0-0 0-0 13.b4 Ba6 14.Re1 Bb5 15.Qc2 a5 16.bxa5 Rxa5 17.a4 Rfa8 18.Nc4 Bxc4 19.Qxc4 Qa6 20.Qxa6 R5xa6 21.Ne5 c5 22.dxc5 Bxc5 23.Nd3 Bb6 24.Nb2 Nd5 25.Re4 Rc8 26.Rc4 Rxc4 27.Nxc4 Bd4 28.Bb2 Nc3 29.Kf1 Bf6 30.Ra3 Nxa4 31.Bxf6 gxf6 32.Nd6 Nc5 33.Rc3 Ra1+ 34.Ke2 Ra2+ 35.Kf1 Ra6 36.Rxc5 Rxd6 37.Rc2 Kg7 38.g3 Kg6 39.Kg2 f5 40.Rc4 f6 41.Ra4 e5 42.Kf3 Rd3+ 43.Ke2 Rb3 44.Kf1 Kg5 45.Rc4 Rd3 46.Ke2 Rb3 47.Kf1 Rb2 48.Ra4 Rd2 49.Kg2 Rd4 50.Ra3 f4 51.Rb3 e4 52.gxf4+ Kxf4 53.Rh3 Rd7

54.Rh4+ Kf5 55.f3 e3 56.Re4 Rd2+ 57.Kg3 Re2 58.Rf4+ Kg6 59.Rg4+ Kf7 60.Rh4 Re1 61.Rxh7+ Ke6 62.Kf4 e2 63.Ke3 Kf5 64.Kf2 Ra1 65.Kxe2 Ra4 66.Kf2 Kg6 67.Rh8 Kg7 68.Rh3 Ra2+ 69.Kg3 Kg6 70.Rh4 f5 71.Rb4 Rc2 72.h3 Rc1 73.Kf4 Rh1 74.Rb6+ Kg7 75.Kxf5 Rxh3 76.Rb7+ Kg8 77.f4 Rh6 78.Kg5 Ra6 79.f5 Kf8 80.Rh7 Kg8 81.Re7 Kf8 82.f6 Ra1 83.Rb7 1/2-1/2

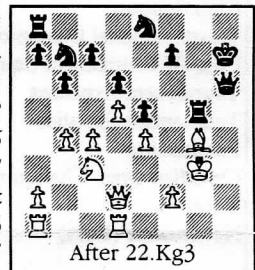
**Walker-D. Wu [B21]**

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.c3 dxc3 4.Nxc3 Nc6 5.Nf3 d6 6.Bc4 e6 7.0-0 Nf6 8.Qe2 Be7 9.Rd1 e5 10.Be3 0-0 11.Rac1 Bg4 12.a3 a6 13.b4 b5 14.Bd5 Nxd5 15.Nxd5 Rc8 16.h3 Bh5 17.g4 Bg6 18.Bb6 Qd7 19.Rc2 Rfe8 20.Rdc1 Bf8 21.Nh4 Nd4 22.Bxd4 exd4 23.Nxg6 hxg6 24.Rc7 Rxc7 25.Rxc7 Qe6 26.f3 (Warrick is in time pressure- diagram) Qxd5 27.exd5 Rxe2 28.Ra7 d3 29.Kf1 Rh2 30.Ke1 Rxh3 31.Rxa6 Rxf3 32.Ra8 f5 33.g5 f4 34.Kd2 Re3 35.Rb8 Re2+ 36.Kxd3 f3 37.Rc8 Ra2 38.Ke3 Rxa3+ 39.Kf2 Kf7 40.Rb8 Be7 41.Rxb5 Bxg5 42.Rb7+ Kg8 43.Rb8+ Kh7 44.Kg3 Bf4+ 45.Kf2 Be5 46.b5 Bd4+ 47.Kg3 f2+ 48.Kg2 Ra1 49.Rf8 Rg1+ 50.Kh2 Be5+ 0-1



**Kuczaj-McLean [E91]**

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.c4 Bg7 4.Nc3 0-0 5.e4 d6 6.Be2 Nbd7 7.0-0 b6 8.h3 e5 9.d5 h6 10.Be3 Ne8 11.Qd2 Kh7 12.g4 Nc5 13.b4 Nb7 14.g5 Bxh3 15.gxh6 Bf6 16.Rfd1 g5 17.Bxg5 Rg8 18.Kh2 Bxg5 19.Nxg5+ Rxg5 20.Kxh3 Qf6 21.Bg4 Qxh6+ 22.Kg3 (diagram) Qg6? (Fritz says: 22...Nf6 23.f3 Nxg4 24.fxg4 Rxg4+! and black mates in 4) 23.f3 Nf6 24.Rh1+ Kg7 25.Qh2 Nxg4 26.fxg4 Rxg4+ 27.Kf2 Rf8 28.Rag1 f5 29.Ke1 Black lost on time 1-0



**Dartana-Milne [A04]**

1.Nf3 d6 2.g3 Bg4 3.Bg2 Nd7 4.0-0 Ngf6 5.d3 e6 6.e4 Be7 7.Nbd2 0-0 8.h3 Bxf3 9.Qxf3 d5 10.Qe2 Nb6 11.a4 a5 12.Nb3 Qd7 13.e5 Ne8 14.Qg4 Nc8 15.Be3 f5 16.Qe2 b6 17.Rfd1 Na7 18.c4 Nc6 19.d4 Nb4 20.c5 bxc5 21.Nxc5 Bxc5 22.dxc5 c6 23.f4 Nc7 24.Bd4 Qe7 25.Qf2 Kh8 26.h4 Rab8 27.Bf1 Nca6 28.Rd2 Rb7 29.Be2 g6 30.Kg2 Rg8 31.h5 g5 32.fxg5 Qxg5 33.Be3 Qg7 34.Rh1 Nb8 35.Rh4 Qe7 36.g4 fxg4 37.Kg3 Qe8 38.Qf6+ Rbg7 39.h6 1-0

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Gomboc-Hughey [C80]

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Nxe4 6.d4 b5 7.Bb3 d5 8.dxe5 Be6 9.Be3 Na5 10.Nd4 c5 11.Nxe6 fxe6 12.c3 Nxb3 13.axb3 Qe7 14.f3 Ng5 15.Bxg5 Qxg5 16.f4 Qg6 17.f5 Qh6 18.c4 Qe3+ 19.Kh1 Qxe5 20.Re1 Qxf5 21.cxd5 e5 22.Qe2



Bd6 (diagram) 23.Rxa6 Rxa6 24.Qxb5+ Qd7 25.Qxa6 0-0 26.Qe2 Qb7 27.Nc3 Qxb3 28.Ne4 Qb6 29.Qg4 Bc7 30.d6 Bd8 31.Qe6+ Kh8 32.Qxe5 c4 33.g3 Qc6 34.Qc5 Qxc5

35.Nxc5 Bf6 36.d7 Kg8 37.Nb7 Kf7 38.Nd6+ Kg6 39.Re8 1-0

**Words August 1700-2000**

He got a reprieve! Don Coward took full advantage of a delay in rating the Words July tournament (leaving his official active rating below 2000) to convincingly win the August event and get his name on the Zinner & Sara Trophy for the third time. Don gave up only a second round draw to Martin Proulx en route to a 4.5/5 score. James Barbetti scored his second consecutive second place finish with 3.5/5. Australia will soon be awash in chess talent, as both Don and James will soon relocate there. James was followed by Andre Min with 3 points, and Martin Proulx and Kim Nguyen with 2.5. The writer finally got to play a game, but only one, because Kim's entry after the first round led me to withdraw so that there would be an even number of players.

TD Walter Watson

**Words August 1699 & under**

Chris Vermette, a returning champion from 1996, swept through a field of 14 players, mowing through his competition like a John Deere tractor gone wild in a corn patch. Eric Tam, known on the Internet as Hustler, proved he is the man, stealing second place with 4 out of 5 points, from a number of solid opponents.

There was a four way tie for third place, between Greg Harris, Bob MacFie, Nick Podolchak, and Jason Floqberg. Stephen Campbell lost in eight moves to a young up and comer, Shandy Booth. Stephen, who says everybody is entitled to my opinion, made no excuses for this loss, commenting, "It was worth five dollars to fall victim to the beauty of this combination". I would like to thank all the guys for their sportsmanship and making this another successful Words Books tournament.

TD TedgeDavies

**My Second Canadian Open  
By Adrien Regimbald**

The 1997 edition of the Canadian Open Chess Championship was held in Winnipeg from July 12 - 20 in the Winnipeg Convention Center. I traveled in to Winnipeg with my family, on a family vacation. When I arrived at the tournament hall, I was almost immediately pounced upon by the notorious Edmonton road crew. I really enjoyed seeing the guys again! After \*hours\* of listening to Haessel complain about how hard it was to carry his luggage to and from the plane (groan! ), things finally got underway. The tournament was using accelerated pairings, and this seemed to help get better matches for the higher rated players early on, but caused a few pairing wrinkles in the 3rd round when we went back to normal pairings. The tournament conditions were excellent! The tables were well set up, the pairings went smoothly, there was a stage and demo boards for the top seven boards, there were helpful people all around, and the list goes on and on...

As usual, there were many side events to the tournament. A tradition of eating at like 11:30 PM to 1:00 AM was formed as a result of late games. I had many culinary exploits with the Edmonton Road crew (and Bill, and Huber, and Haessel, and Hergott, and well, the list goes on .... ). A most notable absence was Red Robins! Winnipeg will have to get it's stuff together! We want Red Robins! I was VERY disappointed as I haven't gotten a second chance to redeem myself against that Mud Pie! (for which I am still at the butt end of entirely too many jokes!). On another note, there were also many chess side attractions... This included many simultaneous exhibits in which I decided to punish myself... for some reason going bonkers against GMs doesn't have the intended effect (well, I thought I might as well have fun as I lose! ) There were also a variety of lectures, most of which I attended. Besides those, there was also a speed tourney and a Siamese tourney. I played in the speed tourney, but only won one of the games in which I had managed to obtain VERY winning positions... (there were many disputes and such at this tourney, some of which are interesting, but sensitive matters).

Anyways, back to the main event! Besides forfeiting a game I won in round 2 for not writing down my score (which has become the currently fashionable joke about me!), I had an exceptional tournament with a score of 5/10 (not including the forfeited game) which was good for a tie for first under 1600 and a share of the loot! My result was exceptional and gained me about 150 rating points. The rest of the tournament was filled with many exciting and tense games. I really enjoyed watching the

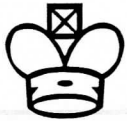
GM games, as well as the games of my chess pals. I particularly enjoyed leaving "Regimbald Row" and moving up to higher places! As usual, I spent too much time in the book store, and I almost earned myself a "quasi" preferred customer status... The eventual champion of the even was the eccentric and outgoing Julian Hodgson, of which I could tell an intriguing story. To give you a taste of it, we saw Julian Hodgson in a vehicle with people we didn't recognize (who turned out to be fellow chess geeks...) (keep in mind that this was AFTER he had won his money, raising a few suspicions!) and they were telling us that they found him drunk by the river... in the end, Rocket Rob almost got run over in downtown traffic and Hodgson was wheeled away by the hooligans... In the tournament, I had many enjoyable games, and here is my favorite:

Remillard-Regimbald [A17]

1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 e6 3.g3 d5 4.cxd5 exd5 5.Bg2 c6 6.b3 Bc5 7.Bb2 0-0 8.Rc1 Bb6 9.Nf3 Re8 10.Qc2 d4 11.Na4 d3 12.Qc4 dxe2 13.Ng5 Bxf2+ 14.Kxf2 Ng4+ 15.Ke1 Qxg5 16.Nc5 Bf5 17.Qf4 Qxf4 18.gxf4 b6 19.h3 Nh6 20.Nb7 Be4 21.Rg1 Bxg2 22.Rxg2 g6 23.h4 Nf5 24.h5 c5 25.hxg6 fxg6 26.Rxe2 Rxe2+ 27.Kxe2 Nd7 28.d4 cxd4 29.Rc7 Nf6 30.Ba3 Re8+ 31.Kd2 Nd5 32.Rd7 Nxf4 33.Nd6 Re2+ 34.Kd1 Ne3+ 35.Kc1 Nd3+ 36.Kb1 Re1+ 37.Bc1 Rxc1# 0-1

This game is just RICH with tactical possibilities... after analyzing it with many people, getting as far as 10 moves out of the main line, I haven't come to a conclusion about whether or not any of the possible sacrifices I could have played lead to mate or a decisive advantage. If you can help me with this, feel free to somehow let me know what you find. (A: 12...Rxe2+ is crushing after 13.Kd1 Ng4 or 13.Kf1 Rxf2+; B: 16...Nf2 wins after 17.Kxf2 Qxd2 or 17.Rg1 Qxc5! I try to avoid comments, but... you asked! - ed.)

Winnipeg itself was excellent (despite not having a Red Robins!)... it was rather beautiful during the time I was there, but the weather was just too hot and humid to handle! (The tournament room, though, was always at the perfect, cool, temperature) I took in many sights in Winnipeg, and all around, this was a very successful vacation! I had a great time at the Canadian Open, and for this, I would like to thank the tournament organizers, the Edmonton road crew, and my family - THANKS!!



# ALBERTA JUNIOR CHESS REPORT



(A Special section of the Alberta Chess Report, October 1997)

## EJCC September Sveshnikov by Beatrice Wu

Summer, once more, has drawn to an end (sigh). And amidst the flurry of activity that greets the new school year, the EJCC started off the "Year of the Sicilian" with the September Sveshnikov Open. The 5 round active tournament took place on Saturday, September 6 at the Prince of Wales Armoury, home of the Edmonton Chess Club.

The tournament (and a cool new book) was won by Hans Olson (just back from gaining 150 points at the Canadian Amateur in Kamloops) with a perfect score of 5. Second place was Jeremiah Gallinger with 4 points. The book prize for the under 1200 category was won by Jeff Ryan with a score of 3.5, just edging over Scott Mayo's solid 3 points. Due to a relatively large turnout of 18 juniors, a significant number of which being among the club's strongest players, all 5 rounds lasted almost their full hour (a rare occurrence at the EJCC) and featured two mad time scrambles: both deciding unfavorably against the same unfortunate player. The more notable of the two saw him (not mentioning any names, Alim...) play an interesting gambit resulting in happy developments, miss three consecutive mates, finally decide to queen a second pawn, flag, but salvage the 1/2 point because his opponent, Erik Olson, did not have mating material! In fairness to Erik, he did finish with a very respectable score of 3.5.

Also of note, David Ottosen and I held a general meeting with the parents and some of the older players. We had received an invitation from Mr. Larry Bevand to become a Chess & Math branch in Edmonton. After some discussion, however, we have decided to remain a non-profit, volunteer-run club associated with the ACA for the upcoming season.

My thanks to Cynthia Wu for supervising the round during the meeting and helping out throughout the tournament. The EJCC's next tournament is the October O'Kelly on October 6.

## Calgary School Team Championship by Glenn Booth

On June 14, seven Calgary schools contested the Calgary School Team Championship. Each school who participated fielded a team of four. The tournament was run "Olympiad-style", with a designated top board, second board, third board and fourth board for each school team.

It was an exciting tournament, coming down to the final game to determine the winner. With all games but one completed, Langevin, the two-time defending champion, was 1/2 point behind Forest Lawn. A win, and they're the champions; a loss, and the trophy would pass to Forest Lawn. A protracted struggle between Andrew Wong of Prince of Wales and Cam Wright of Langevin saw Andrew Wong emerge victorious and the championship went to Forest Lawn high school on a score of 19 1/2 to 19.

Perhaps the most noticeable performance was turned in by ABC Charter Public School who finished a strong third place with 16 1/2 points, even though the school only has grades 1-3. North Haven elementary school came in fourth with 9 1/2 points.

Each player played 6 games, playing his/her opposite from each of the other participating schools. Strong performances were turned in by Jordan Davies of Langevin (6/6), Danny Le of Langevin (5 1/2), Serey Chuhom and Jason Publack of Forest Lawn (5 1/2 and 5), and Chris Moore of ABC (5).

The tournament was organized by Tedge Davies and directed by Fred South of the Calgary Chess Club. We have agreed that this year's tournament will be run by the Calgary Junior Chess Club on January 24, 1998. To provide for a fairer competition, the tournament will be divided into two sections: grades 1-6 and grades 7-12. We are aiming to attract at least 20 schools! For further info on how to register a team, call Dale Wong at 278-3970.

## Northern/Southern Alberta Cadet Qualifier

October 18-19, Edmonton/Calgary  
Top two finishers qualify to play in Alberta Cadet Closed Championship  
**Calgary: Dave Gomboc (569-9662)**  
**Edmonton: David Ottosen (425-1584)**

### Alberta Junior Closed

October 25-26, Red Deer  
Winner qualifies to play in Canadian Junior Closed Championship  
Entrance by invitation only  
**Contact: Neil Sharp (346-0420)**

### Alberta Cadet Closed

December 13-14, Red Deer  
Winner qualifies to play in Canadian Cadet Closed Championship  
Entrance by invitation only  
**Contact: Neil Sharp (346-0420)**

## Edmonton Junior Chess Club

"The year of the Sicilian"

October O'Kelly: October 6  
November Najdorf: November 1  
December Dragon: December 6  
Site: Prince of Wales Armoury,  
10440 108 Ave, Edmonton  
Registration: 9-10 am  
Type: 4 or 5 rounds active chess  
**Contact: Beatrice Wu (462-0838)**

## Calgary Chess'n'Math Club

Oct 5-Glenn Booth (284-2159)  
Nov 2-Iqbal Nurmohamed (246-4452)  
Nov 30-Alan Wall (271-0562)  
Site: ABC Charter Public School,  
414-11a Street NE, Calgary  
Registration: 12:00 - 12:30  
Players play according to Chess'n Math rating levels; unrated players play with players of the same age

## Calgary Youth Chess Festival

Sunday, November 16  
Calgary regional championship for under 10, 12, 14 and 18 age categories. Leads to a provincial, national and world championship!  
**Contact: Glenn Booth (284-2159)**

## CCC Summer Sectional by Walter Watson

Summertime...and the leaving is easy. The 1997 Calgary Chess Club Summer Sectional Tournament was likely unique, as the sole point leaders in both sections ended by withdrawing and leaving town. Ten players entered the Over 1800 section, including six players rated over 2100 (thanks for doing some phoning, Odie). Lewis Harkes, back for a visit, took an impressive 3/3 lead before he decided to return to Ontario. Top seed Chris Demers then took control, drawing only with Warrick Walker and finishing with a decisive 4.5/5. Warrick took second prize, scoring 3.5 (allowing three draws) followed by Jim Daniluk and Lewis with 3. Art Milne impressed by scoring 2.5 against 5 players over 2100, while bottom seed Andrew Mazurek with 2 points proved himself stronger than anyone had realized.

Several players threatened to win the well balanced Under 1800 section. Colin Chromka gained the sole lead with 3/3 and maintained it with a 4th round draw with Steve Sauve, but then left to start work in Saudi Arabia. A seriously underrated James Barbetti, who lost only to Colin, won his last round game to take first with 4/5. Colin's 3.5 gained him second place, while the third prize was split between Frank Knoll, Steve Sauve, Jordan Davies, and newcomer Eric Tam, all with 3. Norm Luyben came close with 2.5. The youngest player, 8 year old Sasha Kryushkova, showed great promise, and with Nenad Ristic teaching her, she should go far.

The things that make TD-ing interesting: I ended the tournament by handing out the prizes. Most of the winners shook my hand, but by one of the (adult) winners, I was enthusiastically hugged.

### Milne-Demers [C11]

notes by Milne (AM), Demers (CD)

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.e5 CD: Also tried is 4.Bg5 Bb4 5.e5 h6, the McCutcheon Variation. This is a more classical line 4...Nfd7 5.f4 c5 6.Nf3 Nc6 7.Be3 a6 AM: Normal in the Steinitz is 7...Qb6 or 7...cxd4! CD: !? I give this move a !? because I thought that this move was unusual for this line, but after the game, I found that this is normal. The idea is to gain space with b5, I just wanted to keep the minor pieces out of b5 8.Qd2 cxd4 CD: More normal is 8...b5, staking space on the queenside 9.Nxd4 Nc5 AM:?! Normal is 9...Bc5 CD: My idea here was to develop with Bd7, Qc7, O-O-O, Kb8 and Rc8. This may be slow, but with all of Blacks pieces on the queenside, I thought it would be OK. Also played here is 9...Bc5 10.0-0-0 Bd7 11.Nb3 AM: According to Nimzovich, decentralizing a blockading piece must be bad;

maybe 11.Qf2! CD:?! In this line, White keeps the Knight on d4 in order to hold back Blacks b5 (because of the weakness on c6). Here, Black already has c6 guarded, but I still don't like this idea, as it is decentralizing and causes a weakness in his castled pawn structure. 11.g4 Qh4 12.Be2 is a more forceful way to proceed 11...Nxb3+ 12.axb3 Qa5 CD: Because of the upcoming complications, 12...b5 may have been better,



view of the following CD: In my analysis, I thought "Now I will back up the B, play b5 and start my attack." Then I saw 14...Be7 15.Bb6 and its lights out. In the book 'Opening Preparation', Yusupov advises, "Faced with an unexpected move in the opening, try not to give the opponent a psychological advantage in any account." 14...d4 CD: !? And this is what I came up with. This is a difficult move to face over the board, because the temptation to take the piece here is strong 15.cxb4 CD: ? Better was simply 15.Bxd4 Nxd4 16.Qxd4 Bxa4 17.bxa4 Be7 18.Qd7+ when White's extra pawn and Black's poor King position should tell the tale 15...Nxb4 CD: And now the pawn on d4 is taboo: 16.Bxd4 Bxa4 17.bxa4 Qxa4 and Black has many threats (18.Bd3 Rd8 19.Qe3 Rxd4 +-). White finds the only move to repulse all of the threats 16.Nc3 AM: only move CD: ! A psychologically difficult move to find, but the bishop on d7 is hanging so the d pawn is fixed 16...Rc8 17.Kb1 AM: only move 17...Bc6 CD: ! Sometimes quiet moves do the most damage. If now 18.Bxd4 Be4+ is destructive 18.Qxd4 AM: only move 18...0-0 AM: White has a full tempo to organize his defenses, but there is no defense to 19...Rfd8 and 20...Be4+ 19.Bc4 AM: as good as anything CD: ? 19.Bd3 Rfd8 20.Qb6 Qxb6 21.Bxb6 Rxd3 was necessary 19...Rfd8 20.Qxd8+ AM: only move CD: Forced. If now 20.Qb6, then 20...Be4+! wins at least the Exchange 20...Rxd8 21.Rxd8+ Qxd8 22.Rd1 Be4+ AM:?! 22...Qc7 23.Rd6 with counterplay CD: ? Now I hallucinated. I thought that 23.Kc1 Na2 was mate. Now it is much harder for Black. The simple way was 22...Qc7 23.Kc1 Nd3+ 24.Bxd3 Bxd3 CD: Now the position takes on a different character, surrounding the pin of the bishop on d3 25.Rd2 AM: ? 25.b4! with the idea of playing 26.b3, 27.Kb2, 28.Ne2, and 29.Nc1, winning

the bishop CD: After 25.b4 f6 26.b3 fxe5 27.fxe5 Kf7 28.Kb2, Black cannot keep the bishop, and would have to settle for 28...Kg6 29.Na4 Qd5 30.Kc3 Qe5+ 31.Kd3 Qh2, when Blacks defensive task is not easy 25...h6 AM: ? 25...a5! CD: 25...f6 right away was probably better 26.Kd1 AM: ? 26.b4! 26...Qd7 AM: ? 26...a5! 27.Ke1 AM: ? 27...a5 AM: ! White is now doomed CD: Fixing the b-pawns and allowing a hole for the queen on a6 28.Kf2 Kh7 29.h3 CD: ?! 29...Kg6 30.g4 CD: ? Whites 29th and 30th moves restrict Blacks King, but provide more inroads to the Black pieces 30...Kh7 CD: Now that I have made time control, I can find the right plan, which is to play for f6 and the weak e-pawn that results 31.Kg3 Kg8 32.Kf2 Kh7 33.Kg3 Kg6 34.Kf2 f6 35.Kg3 CD: An interesting position arises from 35.f5+ exf5 36.e6 Qxe6 37.Rd3 fxe4 38.hxe4 Qxe4, where White wins the bishop, but Black gets three connected Kingside pawns. It seems unclear, but with Whites exposed King, I liked Black 35...fxe5 36.fxe5 Kh7 37.Rd1 CD: ? Marking time, but 37.h4! prevents Blacks idea, as after 37...g5 38.hxe5 hxe5 39.Bxe5 Qd4 40.Bf4, Black gets the bishop out, but can make little progress against the White fortress. Now Blacks plan works 37...g5 38.Rd2 Kg6 39.Rd1 b5! 40.Ne2 Qd5 AM: ! 0-1

## Calgary Team Championship by Arthur Odachowski

The first annual Team Championship saw eight teams of four players in a close five round struggle. Two rounds into the competition, Team VI (Daniluk, Milne, Beingessner, Nguyen) held a 3.5 point edge. However, a collapse in later rounds left them tied for second place with Team IV (Tot, J.Davies, Mazurek, Min), both teams scoring 13. The event was won by Team VIII (Danglapan, Watson, Bakalovich, Bruckner), only a half point ahead with 13.5.

On the individual front, Board 1 was won by Jim Daniluk and Nandor Tot, ahead of 3 masters, with 3.5/5. On Board 2, Art Milne was in a class by himself with 4.5/5. Board 3 was won by Richard Bakalovich in his first tournament, with an impressive 4/5. Finally, Gary Bruckner took Board 4 with a decisive 4.5/5.

### Yearwood-Ferrar [B30]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Be2 d5 5.exd5 Nxd5 6.Bb5 Nxc3 7.bxc3 Bd7 8.0-0 a6 9.Bxc6 Bxc6 10.Ne5 Bd5 11.c4 Be6 12.Re1 Qb6 13.d3 g6 14.Bf4 Bg7 15.Rb1 Qa5 16.Rxb7 0-0 17.Nc6 Qxa2 18.Qd2 a5 19.Bh6 Qa3 20.Nxe7+ Kh8 21.Bxe7+ Kxe7 22.Rb3 Qa4 23.Qc3+ Kh6 24.Qf6 Qd7 25.Re4 Bg4 26.d4 cxd4 27.Rh3+ 1-0

## Medicine Hat Open by Bill Taylor

Sixteen players engaged in friendly combat in the "3rd" Medicine Hat Open. The local competitors were outnumbered 10 to 6 (a change from last year). After a rather apathetic showing last year, Calgary sent six representatives (possibly thanks to the August ACR), including defending champion Chris Kuczaj. Edmonton was once again ably represented by the very entertaining duo of Ford Wong and "Big John" (Quiring). Despite receiving his annual beating at the hands of moi, Ford continued to retain his ownership of Big John, winning against him in the important last round. This enabled him to tie for first place with Chris Kuczaj at 4/5. Chris came through with an important win in the last round game against me. Three players (Brian Goude, James Barbetti, and Bill Taylor) tied for third place at 3.5/5.

The most entertaining game from my perspective was between John Quiring and Steve Hansen. It seemed as though Black (Hansen) played most of the game on the first and second ranks, and learned the very important lesson of "NOT CASTLING QUEENSIDE" into the attack.

Free coffee, muffins, and Samba bars were enjoyed by the participants courtesy of the Medicine Hat Chess Club, Safeway, and Don Fedoruk (one of our participants). Thanks Don! New to the event this year was the Taylor Cup, a "permanent" trophy along with keeper plaques for the top two participants.

### N.McLean-Wong[E81]

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.c4 d6 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.f3 0-0 6.Be2 Nc6 7.Be3 a6 8.Qd2 Rb8 9.a4 Na5 10.Ra3 Nc6 11.g4 e5 12.d5 Nd4 13.h4 h5 14.g5 Nd7 15.Bd1 c5 16.Nce2 b5 17.axb5

## ECC August Open by John Quiring

As Tournament Director, I've the bye that gives the bye--18, in fact, in four rounds of a sporadically attended August Open at the Edmonton Chess Club. None of them were "bad" byes, imposed by the TD, and several of them were particularly "good" byes which happened to even up the number of players. Such good byes mean goodbye to bad byes, which, by the by, is what happened hereby.

The tournament was won by one-bye guy Micah Hughey with 3.5/4, followed by no-bye John Macnab at 3. The bi-bye boys fared less well.

I think everyone knows this report must end with bye-bye.

### Lovi - Blundell [C01]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 exd5 4.Nf3 Bd6 5.c4 dxc4 6.Bxc4 Nf6 7.0-0 0-0 8.Bg5 Nbd7 9.Nc3

axb5 18.b3 bxc4 19.bxc4 Rb4 20.Bxd4 exd4 21.Ra4 Rxa4 22.Bxa4 Qb6 23.Bb5 Ne5 24.f4 Ng4 25.Nf3 Ba6 26.Bxa6 Qxa6 27.Qc1 Qa2 28.Nd2 Rb8 29.Rh3 Ne3 30.Rh2 Rb2 0-1

### Quiring-Wong[B06]

1.e4 g6 2.f4 c6 3.d3 Bg7 4.c3 d5 5.Be2 Qb6 6.Qb3 Be6 7.Qxb6 axb6 8.a3 dxe4 9.dxe4 Na6 10.Be3 Nc5 11.Nd2 Nf6 12.Bxc5 bxc5 13.Ngf3 Bh6 14.g3 0-0 15.e5 Nd5 16.Ne4 b6 17.Kf2 Bf5 18.Nfd2 f6 19.exf6 Nxf6 20.Bf3 Nxe4+ 21.Nxe4 e5 22.Nd6 exf4 23.Bxc6 Rad8 24.Bd5+ Kg7 25.Nxf5+ Rxf5 26.c4 fxe3+ 27.Kxg3 Rdf8 28.b4 cxb4 29.axb4 Be3 30.b5 Rg5+ 31.Kh3 Bf2 32.Rhf1 Rf4 33.Rxf2 Rxf2 34.Ra7+ Kh6 35.Bg8 Rg1 36.Rxh7+ Kg5 37.Rf7 Rf4 38.Rxf4 Kxf4 39.Bd5 Ke5 40.Kh4 Kd4 41.h3 Ke5 42.Bf3 Kf4 43.Be2 Re1 44.Bg4 Re8 45.Bd7 0-1

### Quiring-Hansen[B01]

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.d4 Bg4 4.Be2 Bxe2 5.Qxe2 Qxd5 6.Nf3 e6 7.0-0 Be7 8.c4 Qd7 9.Nc3 Nc6 10.Rd1 O-O-O 11.a3 Qe8 12.b4 Rd7 13.h3 Kb8 14.Be3 Ng8 15.d5 exd5 16.cxd5 Nd8 17.Ne5 Rd6 18.Nb5 Ra6 19.Rac1 c6 20.dxc6 Nxc6 21.Nd7+ Kc8 22.Qg4 Bd8 23.Nb6 Kb8 24.Qc8# 1-0

### Wong-Taylor[D43]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 c6 4.Nf3 Nf6 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bxf6 Qxf6 7.cxd5 exd5 8.e3 Bd6 9.h3 Bf5 10.Bd3 0-0 11.0-0 Nd7 12.e4 dxe4 13.Nxe4 Bxe4 14.Bxe4 Rfe8 15.Bc2 Re7 16.Qd3 Nf8 17.Rfe1 Rae8 18.Rxe7 Rxe7 19.Kf1 g6 20.Qd2 Kg7 21.a4 a6 22.b4 c5 23.bxc5 Bxc5 24.Rb1 Rd7 25.d5 b6 26.Bb3 Ne6 27.Qb2 Nd4 28.Nxd4 Bxd4 29.Qd2 Rc7 30.Rd1 Bc5 31.Bc4 a5 32.Bb5 Qd6 33.g3 Re7 34.Bc6 f6 35.Kg2 Re4 36.Qc2 Qe5 37.Rf1 Re2 38.Qd3 h5 39.Qf3 Bd6 40.Qd3 h4 41.Qf3 hxg3 42.Kg1 gxf2+ 43.Rxf2 Re1+ 0-1

h6 10.Bh4 c6 11.Re1 b5 12.Bd3 Bb7 13.Ne4 Be7 14.Qc2 Qc7 15.Nxf6+ Nxf6 16.Bxb5 Rac8 17.Rac1 c5 18.Qe2 Qb6 19.dxc5 Bxc5 20.Bd3 Rfe8 21.Qc2 (diagram) Be3 22.Rxe3 Rxc2 23.Rxe8+ Nxe8 24.Rxc2 Nd6 25.Bg3 Be4 26.Bxe4 Nxe4 27.Bf4 Qb5 28.Be3 Qa4 29.b3 Qd7 30.Nd2 f5 31.f3 Qd3 32.Rc8+ Kh7 33.Nf1 Nc3 34.a3 Qc2 35.Rb8 Ne2+ 36.Kf2 f4 37.Bd2 Nd4 38.b4 Qd3 39.Rd8 Qe2+ 40.Kg1 Nxf3+ 41.gxf3 Qxf3 42.Rf8 g5 43.a4 Kg6 44.Rd8 h5 45.Rd6+ Kf7 46.Rd7+ Ke6 47.Rxa7 Qe2 48.b5 f3 49.Ra6+ Kd7 50.Ra7+ Ke8 51.Ne3 Qxd2 52.Re7 Qe1+ 53.Nf1 0-1



## 1996-97 Peace River Grand Prix by Alex Phimester

Come gather round and you will see,  
Something that may interest thee.  
I now present you, with some glee,  
Final Results of our Grand Prix  
In first, a man of iron will,  
Earned the title "King of the Hill".  
If you look, he's up there still,  
Those who know him, call him Phil.  
Mr Lefkowitz did thrust and parry,  
Battled his way past second place Larry.  
Mr.Stutzman travelled far,  
From Dawson Creek, my guess by car.  
Under 1700 saw quite a battle,  
So I'll get to it, without any prattle.  
It was won, like it or not,  
By a Boyer, whose name is Scott.  
After the jousting, in second I be,  
Alex Phimester, rated 1393.  
Now my story is over and done,  
Play some chess, enjoy the sun.

I'd like to thank the TDs and organizers of the Grand Prix, whose work is tireless and underappreciated. I'd also like to thank John Q, Ford W, David O, Chris D, and Adrien R for making the effort to travel northward. Perhaps more from Edmonton and area will make the journey next season. Speaking of next season, the schedule can be found on page 10 of this ACR, with a seventh event added. May your forks and pins be plentiful and may your pawns be safely promoted!!

## ECC John Tournaments

The Edmonton Chess Club continues to host 4 round, non-CFC rated active events every Monday night. The informal format and the speedy time controls have led to some surprising upsets...since I dont have any real reports and I needed to fill this space, here is my first scalp of Rocket Rob Gardner (who beat me in 12 moves the previous week in a John Tournament).

### Ottosen-Gardner[B90]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.a4 Nc6 7.Be2 e5 8.Nf3 Be7 9.0-0 h6 10.h3 Be6 11.Be3 0-0 12.Nd2 d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.Nxd5 Bxd5 15.Nc4 Be6 16.Bb6 Qxd1 17.Raxd1 Rac8 18.Nd6 Bxd6 19.Rxd6 Rfe8 20.c3 g6 21.Rfd1 Kg7 22.R1d2 f5 23.g4 e4 24.Kg2 f4 25.Bd1 Kf7 26.Bc2 Ne5 27.Bxe4 Nc4 28.Bxb7 Nxd6 29.Rxd6 Rb8 30.Bxa6 Bd5+ 31.Rxd5 Rxb6 32.Bb5 Re1 33.a5 Rb8 34.b4 Ke6 35.Rc5 Kd6 36.Bd3 g5 37.Kf3 Ra1 38.Ke4 Re8+ 39.Kf5 Rh1 40.a6 Rxh3 41.Be4 Rxe4 42.Kxe4 Rh1 43.a7 Re1+ 44.Kf3 Re8 45.Ra5 Ra8 46.b5 Kc5 47.c4 Kb6 48.Ra1 Rxa7 49.Rxa7 Kxa7 50.Ke4 Kb6 51.Kf5 Kc5 52.Kg6 1-0



## Over/Under 180 by John Quiring

Of the 20-something tournaments sponsored by the Alberta Chess Association, only one is played in sections, the Over/Under 1800. (The clever reader can no doubt deduce the rationale behind this tournament's name). The 1997 version saw South, Gardner and Davies try to prove your name had to be "Robert" to win a chess tournament, but some players saw things differently.

In the Under 1800 section, Robert Davies, Aaron Lovi, and Cor Dewindt entered the last round with 3/4. Davies lost to Saskatchewanian Sheldon Chin and was passed by car load of players. Alone in first was Cor Dewindt who took \$100.00 back to Thorhild by defeating Lovi. Cor's undefeated string of 3 wins and 2 draws was several draws fewer than his usual result. Sheldon tied for second with newcomer Tobias Jeserich, each with 3.5/5. Tobias has a Monday night "John rating" of 1600 based on 38 games, and that is approximately what his first CFC rating will be--a fine result. Sheldon is a tough junior from Saskatoon, and was top ranked in this section. He was using this tournament as a warm-up for upcoming cadet and junior events. The youngest player was Stasy Kazakevich, who doesn't speak much English yet but speaks chess pretty well, showing adult-like focus on the game and much promise.

In the Over 1800 section, the money took Highway 2 south to Calgary, as Robert South won the top prize of \$120.00, with Roy Yearwood and Dave Gomboc splitting \$85.00 for second. Robert's score of 4.5/5 was amazing, considering that a nickle could cover the top three ratings in this section. He appeared to be in trouble against Rob Gardner's attack, but found defensive resources and prevailed in the endgame. In round 3, Nigel Fullbrook uncharacteristically dropped a rook to a 2-mover. And in the last round, what appeared to be a slightly cramped, complex middlegame position against Brad Willis simplified into a sudden win. South's half point came against Roy Yearwood in round 2. He ended up with 2 extra pawns that he couldn't advance, and the players gave the fans a thrill with a cute stalemate ending. Roy was also undefeated, scoring 2 wins and three draws; and Dave Gomboc took advantage of Rob Gardner's time trouble to grab a last round master scalp and a share of second place with Roy.

Special thanks to Robert Davies for making, and the Edmonton Chess Club for funding, coffee each morning. Many of the players appreciated this very, very much.

### A new rule:

This tournament saw the implementation of a new rule regarding writing down moves. The old CFC rule is that a player must "... record the game, move after move ..." which is subject to interpretation. Many players will make 2 or 3 moves in a row (for example, when there are obvious captures to be played) and then catch up on the scoresheet afterward.

A new FIDE rule clarifies this situation: after you move, you must write your move down before you move again. [Exception: in time pressure, you do not have to write the moves down]. International Arbiter Jonathan Berry used this rule at the North Bay International last month, and "fined" players for violations by giving extra time to the victims. Following his lead, I used a similar rule in this tournament and decided on a one-minute penalty for violations, but there were none. I guess the players were paying attention to the opening announcements--more so than a certain grandmaster in North Bay, apparently...

### Dewindt-Lovi[A00]

1.b4 d6 2.Bb2 Nf6 3.e3 g6 4.d4 Bg7 5.c4 a5 6.a3 0-0 7.Nd2 c6 8.Bc3 b6 9.bxa5 bxa5 10.Ng3 Nbd7 11.Rb1 d5 12.Be2 Qc7 13.0-0 Ne4 14.Nxe4 dxe4 15.Nd2 f5 16.f4 c5 17.Nb3 a4 18.Na1 Ba6 19.Qc2 cxd4 20.Bxd4 Bxd4 21.exd4 Nb6 22.c5 Bxe2 23.Qxe2 Nd5 24.g3 e6 25.Rfc1 Rfb8 26.Qc4 Qc6 27.Nc2 Kf7 28.Kf2 e3+ 29.Ke2 Ne7 30.Nxe3 Rxb1 31.Rxb1 Qe4 32.Qd3 Nc6 33.Qxe4 fxe4 34.Nc2 Kf6 35.Ke3 Kf5 36.h3 h5 37.Rb6 Ne7 38.Nb4 Ra7 39.g4+ hxg4 40.hxg4+ 1-0

### Lovi-Kaastrup[C45]

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nxc6 bxc6 6.Bd3 Be7 7.0-0 0-0 8.Nd2 Re8 9.Re1 d6 10.h3 Bb7 11.Nf1 Nd7 12.Ng3 Ne5 13.f4 Nxd3 14.cxd3 Bh4 15.Qg4 g6 16.Rf1 Bf6 17.f5 Bc8 18.Qf3 d5 19.fxg6 Bd4+ 20.Kh1 fxg6 21.Qf7+ Kh8 22.Bg5 Qd7 23.Bf6+ Bxf6 24.Qxf6+ Kg8 25.e5 Ba6 26.Nf5 gxf5 27.Rxf5 Re7 28.e6 Qe8 29.Rg5+ Qg6 30.Rxg6+ hxg6 31.Qxe7 1-0

### Newton-Willis[C36]

1.e4 e5 2.f4 exf4 3.Nf3 d5 4.exd5 Nf6 5.Bc4 Bd6 6.0-0 0-0 7.Nc3 c6 8.d4 h6 9.dxc6 Nxc6 10.Re1 Re8 11.Rxe8+ Qxe8 12.Nb5 Bb8 13.d5 a6 14.Nc3 Ne5 15.Nxe5 Qxe5 16.Qe2 Qd4+ 17.Kh1 Bg4 18.Qd3 Qf2 19.Qf1 Qd4 20.Qd3 Qe5 21.Bd2 f3 22.g3 Qh5 23.Be1 Ba7 24.Qf1 Bh3 25.Qd3 Bg2# 0-1

### Yearwood-R.South[B92]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.Nc3 a6 4.d4 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Nf6 6.Be2 e5 7.Nf3 h6 8.Bc4 Qc7 9.Bb3 Be6 10.Be3 Be7 11.0-0 0-0 12.Nd2 Nc6 13.Nc4 Nd4 14.Bxd4 Bxc4 15.Bxc4 Qxc4 16.Be3

Nxe4 17.Nd5 Bd8 18.Bb6 Nf6 19.Nxf6+ Bxf6 20.Qxd6 Rac8 21.Be3 Rc6 22.Qd7 Rc7 23.Qd6 Rd8 24.Qb6 Rdd7 25.c3 Rc6 26.Qb3 Qxb3 27.axb3 Bg5 28.f4 exf4 29.Bxf4 Bxf4 30.Rxf4 Rd2 31.Rf2 Rcd6 32.Ra2 Rd1+ 33.Rf1 Rxf1+ 34.Kxf1 Rd2 35.b4 Kf8 36.Kg1 Ke7 37.h3 Ke6 38.Kh2 f5 39.Kg3 g5 40.Kf3 h5 41.Ra5 g4+ 42.hxg4 hxg4+ 43.Kg3 Rxb2 44.Rc5 Rc2 45.Rc7 b5 46.Rc5 Kf6 47.Kf4 Rf2+ 48.Kg3 Rf1 49.c4 bxc4 50.Rxc4 Kg5 51.Kh2 f4 52.g3 Rf2+ 53.Kg1 fxg3 54.Rc6 Rf6 55.Rc5+ Kh4 56.b5 a5 57.b6 Rxb6 58.Rxa5 Rb1+ 59.Kg2 Rb2+ 60.Kg1 g2 61.Ra4 Kh3 62.Ra3+ g3 63.Rxg3+ Kxg3 1/2-1/2

### Willis-South[A20]

1.c4 e5 2.g3 Nf6 3.Bg2 Nc6 4.a3 g6 5.Nc3 Bg7 6.b4 O-O 7.Bb2 d6 8.d3 a6 9.h3 Be6 10.Rc1 Qd7 11.Nd5 Ne8 12.e3 Rb8 13.Ne2 f5 14.f4 Nd8 15.O-O c6 16.Nb6 Qc7 17.c5 Nf7 18.e4 Rd8 19.Qc2 Nf6 20.Rf2 fxe4 21.dxe4 d5 22.fxe5 Nxe4 23.Bxe4 dxe4 24.Nf4 Qe7 25.Nc4 Ng5 26.Kg2 Bd5 27.R1f1 Rxf4 28.Rxf4 e3+ 29.Kh2 Qe6 30.Nxe3 Qxh3+ 0-1

## My One Memorable Game by Steve Hansen

### Hansen-Ottosen[B33]

notes by Hansen

1.e4 I had memorized this move only hours earlier 1...c5 Well, I was pretty much out of book at this point 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e5 6.Ndb5 d6 7.Bg5 a6 8.Bxf6 gxf6 9.Na3 Preparing the superb 26th move 9...f5 10.exf5 Bxf5 11.Bd3 Be6 12.Be4 h5 13.h3 Rc8 14.0-0 Qg5 Like most players, you probably believe Mr.Ottosen is crushing me at this point. But I have a resource at move 33 that black does not yet see! 15.Qf3 Nd4 16.Qg3 Qh6 17.Rae1 f5 hmm. Maybe 17...b5 is better 18.Bxb7 Rc7 hmm. 19.Bxa6 f4 [19...Rg7! 20.Qd3 Rhg8 21.g3 h4 when Black's attack looks irresistible- the editor hates morning rounds...] 20.Qd3 f3 21.g3 h4 22.g4 Rg7 doh! 23.Re4 Rhg8 24.Bb5+ Kf7 25.Qe3 Qf6 I had been expecting this since move 6, and had a refutation prepared 26.Nc4! Bxg4 27.hxg4 Rxg4+ 28.Rxg4 Rxg4+ 29.Kh1 Bh6 30.Qd3 Rg2 31.Qh7+ Rg7 32.Qe4 Qg5? Black threatens mate in 1, but now white exposes the folly of Black's second move 33.Nxd6+! Kg8 34.Qa8+ Kh7 35.Bd3+ At this point, I felt like declaring mate in 14, but Black resigned. He is helpless after 35...Rg6 36.Bxg6+ Qxg6 37.Rg1 Qe6 38.Qb7+ Kh8 39.Nf7+ Kh7 40.Ng5+. I will always have a soft spot on my brain for Mr.Ottosen (oh, I can't take all the credit-ed.), as this was my first expert scalp. Stay tuned for more great victories against Huber and Ristovic! (Games yet to be played..)1-0

# Alberta Club Listings and Schedules

## CALGARY CHESS CLUB

Meets at Elephant&Castle Restaurant,  
8th Ave and 4th St SW,  
Tues 7:00 - 11:00

Contact: Tedge Davies (277-0209),  
Walter Watson (277-5620)  
mail to 302 - 312 - 6 Ave NE  
Calgary AB T2E 0L9

Schedule:

October 28: Grand Prix Speed #1  
November 4: Fall Open (5 rounds; club  
closed November 11 for Remembrance Day)

## WORDS BOOKS CLUB

Meets: Word Books and Cappuccino Bar,  
1715 - 17 Ave. SW, Calgary, AB,  
during business hours.

Contact: Rook St. Peter (244-4239) or  
Tedge Davies (277-0209)

Tournament Schedule (starts 10 a.m.):

October 5: 1700-2000  
October 18: Under 1700  
November 1: Under 2000  
December 6: Under 2000

## EDMONTON CHESS CLUB

Meets: Prince Of Wales Armoury,  
Suite 114A, 10440 - 108 Ave.,  
Edmonton T5H 3Z9

entrance at south west corner, open 7-11 pm.

Monday--casual chess tournaments, no  
membership required; relaxed noise  
controls

Thursday--CFC-rated tournaments, CFC  
membership required; strict noise controls.

Info: club phone (424-0283); Kurt Lauterwald  
(434-7536). Mail: see club address above.

Schedule for Thursday tournaments:

Oct Dance 'o' Joy: starts Oct 2 (5 rds)  
Nov Funky Chicken: starts Nov 6 (4 rds)  
Dec Stumble Projector: starts Dec 4 (3 rds)

## GRANDE PRAIRIE CHESS CLUB

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

Info: Phil Lefkowitz (538-1903; mail: c/o 9905  
75 Ave, Grande Prairie T8V 6G2).

## NORTHERN COMMUNITIES CC

Info: Bernie Tynan (771-3757).

## MEDICINE HAT CHESS CLUB

Meets on Wednesdays 7-10:15, starting  
September 25, at Southview Community  
School, Coffee Corner room.

Info: Bill Taylor (526-5484).

## PEACE RIVER CHESS CLUB

Meets: Peace Valley Inn (Rose Room), 9609-  
101 St. Sat. 9:00-4:00

Dates: Call Todd.

Info: Todd Seitz (624-3256). Mail: Bag 1200,  
Peace River T8S 1V1.

## NORTHWESTERN ALBERTA ACTIVE CHESS SOCIETY

### La Crete

Meets: La Crete Public School  
Info: Keith Martin (928-2702)

### High Level

Meets: High Level Public Library  
Info: High Level: Piotr Rajski (926-4658)

### Fort Vermillion

Info: Theresa or Aung Zaw-Tun (927-3274)

## RED DEER JR & SR CC

Meet: Red Deer Public Library,  
Sun. 1:30-5:00

Info: Neil Sharp (346-0420). Mail c/o 1512,  
4902-37 St., Red Deer T4N 6M9.

## RIMBEY CC

Info: Cameron McLean (843-3736).

## UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS

All tournaments require ACA and CFC  
membership (may be purchased on site)

## SOUTHERN ALBERTA OPEN

Where: Quality Inn, Motel Village  
2359 Banff Trail, Calgary

When: November 15-16, 1997

Format: 5 round Swiss

Contact: Tedge Davies (277-0209)

Entry: Adult \$20, Junior \$15, age 14 and  
under \$5 with "no prize" option.

*Winner qualifies for the Alberta Closed*

## WEEKEND B4 XMAS OPEN

Where: Edmonton Chess Club, Prince of  
Wales Armoury, 108 Ave & 104 Str.

When: December 20-21, 1997

Format: 5 round Swiss

Contact: Ford Wong (481-6474)

Entry: Adult \$20, Junior \$15, age 14 and  
under \$5 with "no prize" option.

Time Control: 40 moves/1 hour 50 min,  
then 15/30.

## TRUMPETER CLASSIC

Where: Trumpeter Inn, Grande Prairie

When: January 17-18, 1998

Contact: Phil Lefkowitz (538-1903)

## PEACE RIVER GRAND PRIX

Sept. 27: Fall Active, Grande Prairie  
Contact Phil Lefkowitz 538-1903

Oct. 25-26: Peace River Fall Open  
Contact Keith Lavalley 624-5232

Nov. 22-23: Golden Harvest, Dawson Creek  
Contact Jim Kanester 250-782-5637

Jan. 17-18: Trumpeter Classic, Grande Prairie  
(see ad above)

Feb. 21: Dawson Creek Spring Active  
Contact Jim Kanester 604-782-5637

Mar. 21: Peace River Spring Active  
Contact Todd Seitz 624-3256

Apr. 25-26: Stardust Classic, High Level  
Contact Piotr Rajski 926-4658

### Regulations

1. The seven events will the 97-98 Grand Prix,  
and will be 4 round Active or Regular rated  
events. Time control for the regular rated events  
will be 45/2, 30/1

2. Grand Prix points will be awarded to the 5 best  
scores in the 7 events. To qualify for a prize, a  
player must play in at least 5 Grand Prix events;  
no player may win more than one prize

3. Grand Prix prizes will be based on a fee of  
\$1.50/player per event. The prizes will consist  
of: 1st overall 30% of total Grand Prix fund; 2nd  
20%; 1st under 1700 30%; 2nd under 1700  
20%. The Jim Williams Memorial Trophy will  
be awarded to the overall winner.

4. Ratings for Grand Prix purposes will be the  
regular ratings as per the August 1997 En  
Passant Magazine or last published regular  
rating prior to this.

## ALBERTA OPEN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

When: October 11-13, 1997 (Thanksgiving)

Where: Red Deer College, Red Deer (just east of highway 2, on 32 Street)

Entry fee: Adult \$25, Junior \$20, age 14 and under \$5 with "no prize" option.

Format: 6 round Swiss, 2 games each day; Annual General Meeting Oct. 12 at 14:00

Registration: 9:45 Saturday morning

Info: Neil Sharp (346-0420)

*Winner qualifies for the Alberta Closed!!*

## A few notes on submitting games...

The editor loves receiving games. However, the editor does not love translating games. Please use the following conventions: 1. Use an "x" for captures; 2. For pawn captures, do not use "cd" or "cxd" or "cd4", use "cxd4". Keep in mind...the editor LOVES receiving games and annotations; the editor himself has proven that neither the game nor the annotations have to be good to be published...