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We hope that ALL Alberta chess clubs will make ACA membership a condition of their club membership! SUPPORT ALBERTA CHESS!

Material for inclusion in the next ACR should reach us by mid-October.

We want to keep up-to-date on all facets of Alberta chess, in particular, as well as all 'external' chess happenings of potential interest to our chess players.

Planning to hold a tournament or some other chess event? If you want all ACA members to know about it, send your announcement to the ACR in time for the appropriate issue.

The ACR wants to report on all Alberta chess happenings, be they tournaments, simultaneous displays, or whatever -- BUT -- we have to get reports, obviously, before we can publish any information. So, if you don't see news from your area or club, perhaps you might encourage your local organizer or tournament director to submit information to us!

Back issues of the ACR are available for just 25¢ each (all 7 1976 issues can be obtained at once for \$1.50). Price includes postage. You can complete your holdings simply by requesting the issues you are missing.

We would request that TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS send us a copy of any rating reports sent in to the CFC (i.e., a final crosstable of the tournament, preferably listed in order of finish). If possible, include a written report (even just a few lines!), and, if available, some games (especially any that involve the winner or other top finishers).

DROPOUTS -- Some of you might have paid your money and maybe travelled some distance to play in a tournament only to miss playing a game (or two) because someone was inconsiderate enough to simply drop out without even bothering to inform the Tournament Director or, soon after, justifying their action (giving a reasonable excuse). The ACA feels that such people should not simply be allowed to do this without any penalty, so, they MUST PAY A \$5 FINE BEFORE THEY WILL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER ANOTHER ALBERTA TOURNAMENT. Do not allow any of the people listed below to play unless they pay the \$5 (if so, send  $\frac{1}{2}$  the fine to us and keep the other  $\frac{1}{2}$  for your local organization), or are 'taken off the hook' by the ACA. The current list (with last known residence area) is:

Calgary -- L. Yaudall; Edmonton -- T. Bailey, J. Bergeron, R. Davies, M. Despotovich, S. Embleton, R. Eriksson, J. Fiala, E. Gilliland, C. Hallischmid, H. & L. Lewis, G. Olynyk, M. Schofield, R. Slywka, C. Small, K. Smallwood.  
 Report dropouts to us, please.

Here are a couple of other chess publications to which some readers might wish to subscribe:

(1) Northwest Chess -- magazine format (about 30-40 pages; newsprint); covers primarily news from Washington, Oregon, and B.C.; also has articles on U.S. and international events and on chess in general; published monthly; annual subscription (U.S. funds) is \$5 Adult, and \$4 Junior (under 21). Send a money order payable to 'Northwest Chess' to P.O. Box 550, Bothell, Washington, USA 98011.

(2) Northern Chess Letter -- northern B.C. Subscription is \$2. Send to Tracy Cooper, Box 13, RR #1, Plywood Road, Quesnel, B.C. V2J 3H5. This is a publication of the Northern B.C. Chess Assoc. They hope to hold a tournament in September 1978 with about a \$5,000 prize fund! Write to Von Sarac, Box 2592, Smitners, B.C. VOJ 2N0 if you wish to be kept informed. They also plan to hold the "International Northwest Women's Championship" (\$1,000 or more in prizes) at the same time. Participants from Oregon, Washington and B.C. are confirmed, but 1 or 2 female players from Alberta could still get in. However, they still must be found! Perhaps we could all help by encouraging women to play, and making it easier for them to do so by upgrading the 'atmosphere' of our clubs and tournaments. Interested female chess players should write to the ACA office.

Upcoming ACA weekend events:

ALBERTA OPEN, Oct. 8-10, Edmonton. See the back cover of this issue for details.

Edmonton, Nov. 11-13, 3 events: (1) Alberta Junior Closed, (2) the Annual General Meeting of the Alberta Chess Association, (3) an open round-robin tournament with 6-player "equal strength" sections. Full details on these 3 events will be published in the next issue of the Alberta Chess Report.

CLUB NEWS

Calgary C.C. --NOTE **NEW MEETING NIGHT!!**  
Meets WEDNESDAYS at 7:00 pm in the cafeteria  
of Crescent Heights High School (1019-1st NW).

Sept 7: Registration for the Calgary CC  
Championship. Skittles.

Sept 14 - Oct 19: Calgary CC Championship  
tournament. Open to all. 6 round Swiss.

Oct 26: Registration for the big Calgary  
Open. Speed Chess. Skittles.

Nov 2 - Dec 7: Calgary Open 1977. 6 round  
Swiss.

Dec 14: Speed tournament. Registration for  
the 1978 Calgary Closed (to commence in Jan-  
uary of the new year).

Dec 21: Christmas "Turkey Shoot", and the  
Annual Meeting.

Dec 28: no meeting

Activities resume January 4, 1978 with the  
Calgary Closed tournament.

Edmonton C.C. -- meets Mondays from 7:15-11:30  
pm in the upstairs meeting room of the Kinsmen  
Fieldhouse (in the river valley southwest of  
the 105 St. Bridge).

Sept 12, 19, 26: Registration for the 1977  
Club Championship. Please register on one of  
these 3 nights! Speed chess. Skittles. Etc.

Oct 3, Oct 17 - Dec 19: Club Championship  
tournament (one game per night).

The Edmonton Chess Club requires all of its  
members to be ACA members as well. Membership  
in the CFC is required for play in all rated  
tournaments. Players are requested to renew  
their memberships during September, if possible.

No details were available from the following  
clubs, so we have provided the name and address  
of the last known "contact person". Write to  
them if you wish information about their club.

Black Knight C.C. -- William Rusk, 1418-8 St NW,  
Calgary, Alta T2M 3K3

Hinton C.C. -- Harvey Knudsen, Box 1411, Hinton,  
Alta T0E 1E0

Red Deer C.C. -- Neil Sharp, RR 4, Lacombe,  
Alta T0C 1S0

Slave Lake C.C. -- Bruce Thomas, Box 541,  
Slave Lake, Alta T0G 2A0

World Record? Branimir Brebrich will make another  
try at beating the world record for the greatest  
number of opponents played simultaneously on a  
replacement basis (Gideon Stahlberg set the old  
record of 400, taking 36 hours to do it, in  
Buenos Aires in 1940). His last attempt failed  
only because of a lack of a sufficient number  
of opponents -- hopefully, Calgary area players  
will all come out this time and help Brebrich  
smash the record! The big event will begin at  
8:30 am on Saturday October 15 and will continue  
into the 16th if need be. It will take place at  
the Cottonwood Cafeteria, Calgary Place No. 1  
(opposite the Calgary Inn). The Alberta Youth  
Chess Association is organizing the simul. We  
suggest you get further information by writing  
to TAYCA's President, Paul Usselman, 2560  
Toronto Cr. NW, Calgary, or, presumably, inquire  
at the Calgary Chess Club.

Speaking of Junior Chess! TAYCA could use  
some help in the Edmonton area. If you can give  
some assistance, write to Usselman. Thanks!

Alberta Closed Playoff -- as we said last issue,  
Murray Campbell and Chris Evans were to play a  
match to resolve their first place tie and see  
who would qualify for the 1978 Alberta Closed.

They played 2 games, both draws, and indicated  
a desire that they should be declared co-Champ-  
ions. This will be discussed at the ACA Annual  
Meeting in November. A decision as to how to  
determine who will qualify for the next Alberta  
Closed will be made at that time. Here are the  
2 games for your evaluation:

Campbell - Evans 1. e4 c5, 2. c3 e6, 3. d4 b6,  
4. Nf3 Nf6, 5. Bd3 d5, 6. Nbd2 cd, 7. cd Be7,  
8. O-O de, 9. Ne4 Bb7, 10. Ng3 O-O, 11. a3  
Nbd7, 12. Re1 a6, 13. Be3 Rc8, 14. Rc1 b5,  
15. Bb1 Nb6, 16. Rc8 Qc8, 17. Ne5 Bd5, 18. Nh5  
Nc4, 19. Nf6+ Bf6, 20. Qc2 g6, 21. Ng4 Bg7,  
22. Bh6 Qb7, 23. Bg7 Kg7, 24. Qc1 f5, 25. Qh6+  
Kg8, 26. Ne5 Ne5, 27. Re5 Rc8, 28. Re1 b4,  
29. Qd2 a5, 30. Bd3 Kf7, 31. Bf1 Qb6, 32. h4  
ba, 33. ba a4, 34. Rc1 Rc1, 35. Qc1 Qd4, 36.  
Qc7+ Kg8, 37. Qd8+ Kg7, 38. Qe7+ Kg8 Draw

Evans - Campbell 1. e5 c5, 2. Nf3 Nf6, 3. Nc3  
Nc6, 4. Bb5 Nd4, 5. e5 Nb5, 6. Nb5 Nd5, 7. c4  
Nc7, 8. Nc7+ Qc7, 9. O-O e6, 10. d4 cd, 11.  
Qd4 b6, 12. b3 Bb7, 13. Qg4 h6, 14. Bb2 h5,  
15. Qf4 Qc6, 16. Rfd1 Rh6, 17. a3 g5, 18. Qd2  
g4, 19. Ne1 h4, 20. b4 Rd8, 21. Qg5 g3, 22.  
fg h3 Draw (!)

The 4th annual Abe Shnitka Memorial ran from  
April 25 to June 6 at the Edmonton C.C. This  
6 round Swiss, restricted to under 1800's, was  
won by F. Buenaventura (5½-1) on tiebreak over  
last year's winner, H. King; the two drew  
quickly in the 5th round and won the rest of  
their games. Tied for 3rd-4th were R. Lake  
and A. Fierlbeck (top C). Top D was P. Green,  
and top unrated was 16 year old K. Sawyer.

Buenaventura, who played the 2nd through 4th  
place finishers, will receive the Abe Shnitka  
Trophy, which has finally been recovered!  
Report by H. King.

1. F. Buenaventura	+27	+4	+12	+3	=2	+6	5½
2. H. King	+30	+11	+7	+9	=1	+5	5½
3. R. Lake	+28	+5	+6	-1	=4	+10	4½
4. A. Fierlbeck	+16	-1	+27	+24	=3	+9	4½

4 pts: 5. V. Verlik, 6. E. Culham, 7. R. Douzliech,  
8. P. Green

3½ pts: 9. R. Thom, 10. K. Sawyer, 11. W. Weeks,  
12. C. Domier

3 pts: 13. K. Tilly, 14. R. Schmidt, 15. K. Affek,  
16. C. Rodil, 17. P. Beley, 18. R. Hein,

19. Phaedrus (computer)

2½ pts: 20. D. Harvey

2 pts: 21. A. Kuti, 22. R. Pietrzak, 23. W. Dod-  
man, 24. T. Williamson, 25. J. Vandenberg,

26. P. Seng

1½ pts: 27. L. Day

1 pt: 28. P. Carr, 29. S. Quigg, 30. J. Davis

0 pt: 31. R. Obsieger

(results in tiebreak order)

Calgary Team Championship 1977 -- report by the  
Tournament Director, Bill Bentley.

The first annual Calgary Team Championship was  
completed on June 20th. It was won by Patten,  
Bentley, Kamphuis and Lockert with a fine last  
round sweep of all boards. Individual board  
winners included (in board order) Coppin,  
Maguire, Issa, and Fallis. Special mention  
should be given to Issa, who went undefeated

in winning the Board 3 prize. Coppin also was undefeated, but never had to play Castle, who forfeited the last round in order to play in the Paul Keres Memorial tourney in Vancouver. All prize winners received book prizes, and the top team received a trophy.

The contest was extremely close, as indicated by the 1½ point spread between the top 5 out of 6 teams going into the last round. I think this has something to say in favor of the method of team selection (see last ACR issue). However, forfeits played a major role, and, consequently, an alternative method was suggested to boost the loyalty to the team. That was to appoint team captains (the strongest players) and have them "draft" players from the entry pool, with the weakest captain having first draw, etc., rather than forcing players together. We may try this next year. Despite this, the team aspect added a new and welcome dimension to our club play.

Results with individual scores and the teams' total score were, in order of finish:

- (1) Patten 3, Bentley 4, Kamhuis 1½, and Lockert 4 Total 12½
  - (2) Castle 3, Leong 2, Bovbjerg 3, and Wannamaker 3 Total 11
  - (3) Coppin 5, Maguire 4, Rusk 1, and Yaudall 1 Total 11
  - (4) Parrott 1½, Owen 2½, Issa 4½, and Walters 2 Total 10½
  - (5) Solis 2, Hahn 2, Kirkendall 2½, and Hillard 1 Total 7½
  - (6) Ellis ½, Nemeth ½, Mazac 2½, and Fallis 4 Total 7½
- (Players are listed in board order)

Bill sent us a ton of games (thanks), but we can only fit in one game (annotated by Coppin) this issue. We'll try to get other games into future issues.

W. Coppin - J. Solis Rd 1 Grunfeld Def.  
 1. d4 Bf6, 2. c4 g6, 3. Nc3 d5, 4. e5 By avoiding the sharper lines, White reveals he has no opening pretensions, but is content to wait for middlegame developments. 4. ... Bg7, 5. Qb3 dc, 6. Bxc4 0-0, 7. Nf3 e6 Black plays too casually. After 7. ... Nfd7! (not 7. ... Nbd7, 8. Ng5! e6, 9. Bxe6 fe6, 10. Nxe6 Qe7, 11. Nxc7+ Kh8, 12. Nxa8 Ng4, 13. Bd2! and White is winning, according to Pachman), 8. 0-0 Nb6, 9. Be2 Be6, 10. Qc2 Nc6! Black has good play. 8. 0-0 c6?! Consistent, but very passive. 8. ... c5!?, sac'ing a pawn for counter-play, was a more interesting try. 9. Ne5 Nd5 Sacrificial themes along the a2-g8 diagonal were beginning to appear. 10. Nd3 The centrally posted knight prevents the freeing moves c5 and e5. 10. ... Nd7, 11. Ne4 White believes that the centrally posted knights will be worth more in the semi-closed position than the minor exchange -- bishop for knight. 11. ... N7b6, 12. Bd2 Nxc4, 13. Qxc4 f5? After this positional lemon, Black is lost. 14. Nc3 Re8, 15. Rfd1 a5?, 16. Rac1 Kh8 The smoothly cooperating white pieces stand in direct contrast to the planless disposition of the Black forces. 17. Ne5 Bxe5? Hastens the end. White quickly penetrates the dark squares. 18. de5 Bd7, 19. e4 Ne7, 20. Bc5 Qc7? This pawn hunting loses material. 21. Nb5 Qxe5, 22. Nd6 Qxb2 22. ... resigns, was better (amen - ed), 23. Nxe8 Bxe8, 24. Bxc7 (and Black finally got around to abandoning ship on move 32 -- ed) (1-0)

Vancouver 1977 (Paul Keres Memorial) June 11-19

Report by Ian Loadman.

Uncertainty about whether or not the tournament was going to be held, coupled with little advertising, produced a dismal turnout of only 99 players. As a result, only 3 sections were held: Open, A-B, & C-D. Eleven Albertans took part: 5 in the Open, and 3 each in A-B and C-D. The T.D. was Robert Karch of Seattle.

The Open section was won by John Watson of the U.S. with a 9-1 score. Peter Biyiasas of Vancouver was 2nd with 8 points, while Harry Kaminker took third with 7½. Kaminker, rated only a little over 2000, beat Biyiasas in the first round. Ian Loadman (Edmonton) scored 5½-4½ for the top result by an Albertan in the Open section (and Ian had Biyiasas busted until ... but he doesn't want to be reminded! -ed). Chris Evans (Edmonton) made an even score. He was haunted by his old nemesis, time trouble, and gave away at least 2½ points by errors in time scrambles. Stephen Ball (Edmonton) scored 4½, including a win over Manitoba master Lipnowski. Jim Cummins (Edmonton), 4-6, and Richard Castle (Calgary), 3-7, rounded out the Albertans in the Open section.

Murray Campbell (Edmonton) tied for first in the A-B section with 7½ points, and won \$200. Jan Kralovic (Calgary) scored 5, and Kris Kuczaj (Calgary) 4½.

Steven Faust (Calgary), 8-2, tied for 2nd in the C-D section and collected \$150. The winner of the section was actually a B player whose rating was misread at the beginning of the tournament! Al Fierlbeck (Ponoka), 5½-4½, and Bruce Hamilton (Calgary), 4-6, were the other Albertans in this section.

Some games:

I. Lipnowski - S. Ball 1. e4 c6, 2. d4 d5, 3. e5 Bf5, 4. g4 Be4, 5. f3 Bg6, 6. h4 h5, 7. g5 e6, 8. c3 Ne7, 9. Ne2 Qb6, 10. a4 a5, 11. Na3 Nd7, 12. Ng3 Nf5, 13. Nf5 Bf5, 14. Nc2 c5, 15. Ne3 Bg6, 16. Kf2 Be7, 17. b3 0-0-0, 18. f4 f6, 19. Rh3 Rhf8, 20. Kg1 cd, 21. cd fe, 22. fe Bb4, 23. Bg2 Kb8, 24. Bb2 Rf7, 25. Qe2 Rdf8, 26. Rf1 Rf1+, 27. Bf1 Rf4, 28. Qd1 Ka7, 29. Be2? Ne5, 30. de5 Bc5, 31. Bc1 d4, 32. b4 Qb4, 33. Bd2 Qb6, 34. Resigns (0-1)

E. Tangborn - M. Campbell 1. Nf3 Nf6, 2. g3 g6, 3. Bg2 Bg7, 4. 0-0 0-0, 5. d3 d6, 6. c4 e5, 7. Nc3 Nc6, 8. Rb1 Bg4, 9. b4 Qd7, 10. Re1 Bh3, 11. Bh1 h6, 12. b5 Nd8 (12. ... Ne7 is probably better), 13. Nd5 Nd5, 14. cdf5, 15. Nd2? (15. Rb4! with the idea of 16. Rc4 Rc8, 17. Qc2 Rf7, 18. a4 followed by Bd2 and Rc1) ... Nf7, 16. Qc2 h5, 17. Qc4 g5, 18. Bb2 Nh6, 19. Rbc1 Rf7, 20. Bg2 Bg2, 21. Kg2 h4, 22. gh gh, 23. Qh4 Ng4, 24. h3 Bf6, 25. Qg3 Rg7, 26. Kh1 Kf7, 27. Rc4 Rh8, 28. Rec1 Bd8, 29. Rf1 Nf2+, 30. Qf2 Rh3+, 31. Qh2 Rh2+, 32. Kh2 f4, 33. a4 Rh7+, 34. Kg1 Qg4+ (0-1)

R. Orton - I. Loadman 1. e4 c5, 2. c3 Nf6, 3. e5 Nd5, 4. d4 cd, 5. Qd4 e6, 6. Nf3 Nc6, 7. Qe4 d6, 8. Nbd2 Bd7, 9. g3 Qc7, 10. Nc4? Nc3, 11. bc3 d5, 12. Qe2 dc4, 13. Qc4 Rc8, 14. Bf4 Qa5, 15. Qb3? Nd4, 16. Nd4 Rc3, 17. Ke2 Rb3, 18. Nb3 Qd5, 19. Bh3? Bb5+, 20. Resigns (0-1)

Do you have any questions about chess? If you do, write us and we will find someone to answer your queries.

Canada 'Day' Open -- Edmonton

Report by M. Frank. T.D. was John Ferris. The Canada Day Open had a modest 33 players, but was fairly strong since almost 1/2 of the players were rated over 1700. In the first round most of the favorites won, except Fullbrook, who lost to Dean. After the 2nd round only Evans, Kuczaj, Loadman, and Domier had clean scores. Evans beat Loadman in the 3rd round to move into clear first, while Kuczaj was lucky to draw with Sarac and Domier was demolished by Sharp. (The Saracs, Von and Bea, must have established some sort of record by driving roughly 700 miles each way to compete in this weekender! The players from Northern B.C. are known to be willing to go great distances to play chess, but even for that enthusiastic chess fraternity, this is an impressive distance.) In round 4 the situation at the top again became confused as Evans and Kuczaj drew, allowing Zissos and Von Sarac to catch up. Zissos defeated Sharp after Sharp tried too hard in an even ending, and Sarac won a lost position after an elementary endgame error by Flemming.

The last 2 rounds proved disappointing for Sarac, who collapsed against Evans and Zissos to finish out of the money. When Evans and Fullbrook drew in the last round, Kuczaj was able to catch Evans by defeating Loadman. Chris Evans won the tournament on tiebreak.

This tournament was the first no smoking chess event to be held in Edmonton, and thanks to the consideration of the smokers, it worked reasonably well. Such problems as arose from this feature of the tournament are my responsibility as organizer, since I neglected to mention this feature of the tournament in the ad in the ACR. Kuczaj and Evans reasonably pointed out this oversight, and, fortunately, we were able to overcome the problems it entailed.

I would like to assure all smokers that in future it will be mentioned in the tournament announcements if smoking is prohibited in the playing room. Of the 33 players, only about 8 or 10 were smokers, and of these only 3 chose to play in the "smoking room" whenever possible. In view of our experience, I now advocate that all official ACA Open tournaments (Alta Open, N. Alta Open, etc) have this restriction on smoking. (Perhaps someone might raise this point at the ACA Annual Meeting? - ed) It is increasingly the practice at major tournaments to have such restrictions. There seem to be 2 basic reasons for the restriction: (1) Smoking constitutes a threat to the health of not only the smoker, but also others in the room, and (2) smoking can provide an unfair advantage for smokers over non-smokers in the room, particularly a non-smoking opponent.

Crosstable -- at the top of next column. Here is a quickie game. Mr. Frank says: "B.C. vs Saskatchewan in Alta!"

V. Sarac - R. Graham 1. e4 Nf6, 2. Nc3 d5, 3. e5 Nd7, 4. d4 c5, 5. dc e6, 6. f4 Bc5, 7. Nf3 Nc6, 8. a3 a6, 9. Bd3 0-0?, 10. Bh7+ Kh7, 11. Ng5+ Kg8, 12. Qh5 Re8, 13. Qf7+ Kh8, 14. Qh5+ (1-0)

Remember -- bring your membership cards when you register for a tournament.

C.D.O. Crosstable -Edmonton, July 1-3

1. C. Evans	+14	+15	+5	=2	+10	=3	5
2. K. Kuczaj	+19	+16	=10	=1	+14	+5	5
3. N. Fullbrook	-29	+17	+18	+8	+4	=1	4 1/2
4. A. Zissos (topB)	=17	+21	+30	+9	-3	+10	4 1/2
5. I. Loadman	+23	+8	-1	+12	+16	-2	4
6. R. Patterson	+22	=9	-7	+11	=15	+14	4
7. J. Flemming	+28	=30	+6	-10	=9	+16	4
8. R. Chipperfield	+26	-5	+22	-3	+27	+13	4
3 1/2 pts:	9. N. Sharp, 10. V. Sarac, 11. M. Frank,						
3 pts:	12. R. Graham (top C)						
2 1/2 pts:	13. C. Domier, 14. S. Mah, 15. H. King,						
2 pts:	16. B. Knudskov, 17. R. Doo (top D), 18. P. Green,						
1 1/2 pts:	19. K. Affek, 20. G. Bordeleau, 21. K. Tilly						
2 pts:	22. C. Warner, 23. B. Sarac						
2 pts:	24. W. Dodman, 25. H. Knudsen, 26. M. Delorme,						
1 1/2 pts:	27. W. Moore, 28. S. Sikora						
1 pt:	29. T. Dean, 30. S. Purewal						
0 pt:	31. E. Nielsen, 32. K. Warner						
0 pt:	33. R. Anderson						

Edmonton C.C. Summer RRxRR

Four people got together and had a double round robin:

	1	2	3	4	Points
1. H. King	X	1/2	1	1 1/2	4 1/2
2. R. Lake	1/2	X	1	1	4
3. C. Domier	0	0	1	0	2
4. E. Culham	1/2	0	0	1	1 1/2

(First game -- player had White)

King - Domier 1. e4 e6, 2. d4 d5, 3. Nc3 Bb4, 4. e5 c5, 5. a3 Bc3+, 6. bc3 Ne7, 7. Nf3 Qa5, 8. Bd2 Qa4, 9. dc5 Qa5, 10. Bd3 Nbc6, 11. 0-0 Qc5, 12. Re1 a6, 13. Ng5 h6, 14. Qh5 g6, 15. Qh4 d4, 16. Nf7 Kf7, 17. Qf6+ Kg8, 18. Bg6 Nd8, 19. Re4 Nec6, 20. Rg4 Ne5, 21. Bh7++ (1-0)

'Second Edmonton Summer Collapse'

Report by M. Frank. He picked the title! This year the collapse was even more extreme than last year (? - ed), as half of the players were imported from out of Edmonton. The relatively large number of draws came in spite of the aggressive style of play of all of the players. The tournament provided a pleasant change from the usual weekend Swiss in which a single draw can almost eliminate one from the fight for first.

	Rating	1	2	3	4	5	6	Points
1. H. King	1760	X	1/2	1/2	1/2	1	1	3 1/2
2. R. Patterson	1750	1/2	X	1/2	1	1/2	1	3 1/2
3. R. Chipperfield	1728	1/2	1/2	X	1/2	1	1/2	3
4. M. Frank	1839	1/2	0	1/2	X	1/2	1/2	2
5. N. Fullbrook	2002	0	1/2	0	1/2	X	1	2
6. R. Graham	1555	0	0	1/2	1/2	0	X	1

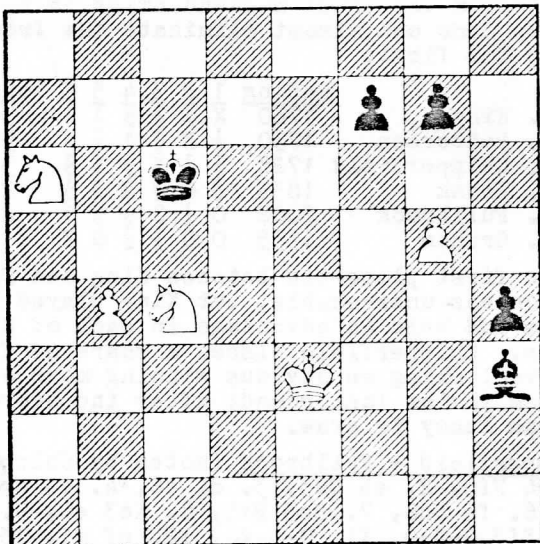
The first place tie between King and Patterson was unbreakable, but King played better chess and held an advantage in each of his games. Chipperfield missed a share of first by overlooking an obvious winning move against Graham in the last round; after the oversight, he was lucky to draw.

Chipperfield - Fullbrook (notes by Chipperfield)  
 1. e4 Nf6, 2. e5 Nd5, 3. d4 d6, 4. c4 Nb6, 5. f4 de, 6. fe Nc6, 7. Be3 Bf5, 8. Nc3 e6, 9. Be2 Qd7, 10. Nf3 0-0-0, 11. 0-0 f6, 12. ef gf, 13. d5 Qg7, 14. Nh4 (Qb3!?) Rg8, 15. Bf3! Ne5, 16. Nf5 ef5, 17. b3 Ng4?, 18. Bg4 fg4, 19. c5?! (Bd4) Nd7? (Nd5!∞), 20. c6! bc, 21. dc Nb8, 22. Qe2 Nc6, 23. Qa6+ Kd7, 24. Rad1+ Bd6, 25. Ne4 Ne5, 26. Rd6! (Nd6) cd6, 27. Qd6+ Kc8, 28. Rc1+ Kb7, 29. Qb4+ Ka8, 30. Nc5 f5, 31. Ne6 Nd3, 32. Qb5 Nc1, 33. Ng7 Rg7, 34. Qc6+ Kb8, 35. Qc1? (Bf4+) Rc8, 36. Kf2 Rge7, 37. Bf4+ Kb7, 38. Qc4 Re4, 39. Qb5+ (1-0)

Here is a game annotated by Gordon Campbell which he played in an Edmonton CC double round robin. Bracketed numbers are elapsed times.

G. Campbell - M. Campbell

1. d4 g5, 2. c4 e6, 3. Nf3 c5, 4. cd ed, 5. Nc3 Kc6, 6. dc in this opening it is almost inevitable that Black ends up with an isolated QP, but he does get open play and his QB is free -- unusual in Queen pawn games. 6. dc is not usual but it looks OK 6. ... d4, 7. Ne4 Bf5 7. ... Nf6 or Qd5 may be better, in which case White would probably play 8. Nd6+ Bd6, 9. cd6 Qd6 and White would fianchetto the KB, play a3, castle, and pile rooks on the QB-file, or on the Q-file against the isolated QP. 8. Ng3 Bg6 (25), 9. e4! (20) Black's QB is now out of the game, and White will play solidly to guard his own weak KP, then attack the weak Black QP. 9. ... Bc5, 10. Bd3 Nf6, 11. a3 O-O (57), 12. O-O (46) a6 To prevent b4-b5, driving the KN away. 13. b4 Bd6 Much better than Ba7, as the White KP is now threatened after Bg5. 14. Nd2! (54) With the winning threat of f4. 14. ... Bf4!, 15. Re1 Re8, 16. Ndf1! (64) Bc1 (78) If Qc7 or Qd6, then 17. Bf4 Qf4, 18. Qd2. 17. Re1 Ne5?, 18. f4 Now White has a clearly won game. 18. ... Bg3, 19. Qd3 h6 To provide escape for the bishop. 20. Rc4 b5, 21. Rd4 (80) Qb6 (100), 22. Kh1 (110) White must be very careful here. If 22. Nc3 Rad8, 23. Rd1 Rd4, 24. Qd4 Qd4, 25. Rd4 Ne4. If 22. Qe3, Ng4. 22. ... Rac8 If 22. ... Ng4, 23. Re2, and Black doesn't get anywhere. 23. h3 h5, 24. f5 Bh7, 25. Nd2 Rcd8, 26. Rd8 Rd8, 27. Qe2 (118) Qc7 (110), 28. Bf1 Re8, 29. Bf5 Qe5 Threatening Bf5. 30. f4 Rcb, 31. g5 Rc2, 32. Re3 Re3, 33. Qe3 Ne8, 34. Bg3 Qg3, 35. Bg3 The position is won for White, but he loses his way in time trouble. 35. ... h4, 36. Ne2 Nd6, 37. Nc3 Kf8, 38. Kg2 Nf5, 39. ef5 Bf5 Black has to sacrifice sometime. 40. Kc5 Bc8, 41. Nb6 Bb7+, 42. Kf2 Ke7, 43. Ke3? Kd6, 44. a4 Black was threatening to win the knight with Kc6. 44. ... ba, 45. Na4 Bg2 This is why 43. Ke3 was wrong. 46. Kc4+ Kc7, 47. Kc5 Bh3, 48. Na6+ Kc6 This is the position of a most interesting endgame:



49. Na3 f6 I thought that Bf1 gave Black clearer chances of a draw, e.g., 49. ... Bf1, 50. Nc5 h3, 51. Ne4 h2, 52. Ng3 Bg2 draws. More interesting is 49. ... Bf1, 50. b5+ Bb5, 51. Nb4+ Kc5, 52. Nb5 Black now has the choice of which knight

to capture: If 52. ... Kb4, 53. Nd6 Kc5 (If f6, 54. g6 and 55. Ne8), 54. Nf7 Kd5, 55. Kf4 Ke6, 56. Ne5 and 57. Nf3 wins. If 52. ... Kb5, 53. Nd3 Kc6, 54. Ne5+ Kd6, 55. Nf7+ Ke6, 56. g6 Kf6, 57. Nh8 and Black cannot capture the pawn; unfortunately, White cannot capture Black's KRP either, so after 57. ... Kg5, draw. 50. gf gf, 51. Nc5 Bf5, 52. Nb3 If 52. Ne4, Be4, 53. Ke4 f5+ draws. 52. ... Kb6, 53. Kf4 h3, 54. Kg3 Bg4, 55. Nd4 Bd7, 56. Ne2 Kc6, 57. Nf4 Kd6, 58. Rb4+ Kc6, 59. Na3 Kd6, 60. Nb3 Kd5, 61. Nf4+ Kd4, 62. Ne2+ Rd5, 63. Kf3 Bc6+, 64. Kf2 Bd7, 65. Kf3 Be8, 66. Kf2 Bc6, 67. Ke1 Bd7, 68. Nf4+ Kc3, 69. Nd5+ Kg5, 70. Kb1 Kc4, 71. Nc3 Bc6 Draw. There seemed no way from move 60 onwards for White to prevent Black getting near his last vital pawn. Although 2 knights vs King cannot force a win, I vaguely remember some dusty antique book on endings told me that 2 knights can win vs King and pawn (as the pawn moves avoid stalemate). Could this have been won in this manner after move 60 or so, and if White plays b5 at some appropriate stage and Black Bb5, giving up the bishop for the pawn?

Since we have a little space here, a few more games can be published:

Hahn - Bentley Calgary Team Championship '77

1. e4 e5, 2. Nf3 Nc6, 3. Bb5 Bc5, 4. d3 d6, 5. Bc6+ bc6, 6. O-O Nf6, 7. h3 h6, 8. Re1 O-O, 9. Bd2 Rb8, 10. b3 Be6, 11. Be3 Bb6, 12. Qd2 Kh7, 13. a4 Qd7, 14. a5 Be3, 15. Re3 Nh5, 16. Nc3 Nf4, 17. Kh2 f5, 18. Ng1 Ng6, 19. ef Rf5, 20. g4 Rf7, 21. f3 Rbf8, 22. c4 ed, 23. Qd4 c5, 24. Qd3 c6, 25. Kg3 d5, 26. Re2 Qd6+, 27. Kf2 Qh2+ (0-1)

Fullbrook - Zissos Canada 'Day' Open 1977

1. Nf3 Nf6, 2. c4 e6, 3. g3 b6, 4. Bg2 Bb7, 5. d3 Be7, 6. O-O c5, 7. e4 d6, 8. Nc3 Nc6, 9. h3 a6, 10. d4 e5, 11. d5 Nd4, 12. Nh2 Nd7, 13. f4 Bf6, 14. Ng4 h5, 15. Nf6 gf6, 16. h4 Ke7, 17. Bh3 Qg8, 18. Kh2 Bc8, 19. Be3 Nf8, 20. fe fe, 21. Bg5+ Ke8, 22. Bc8 Rc8, 23. Qa5+ Nd7, 24. Qa6 Rb8, 25. Nb5 Nb5, 26. Qb5 Qh7, 27. Rf5 Rf8, 28. Raf1 Qg6, 29. R1f2 Qh7, 30. Qc6 (1-0)

Frank - Chipperfield Canada Day Open 1977

1. d4 Nf6, 2. c4 g6, 3. Nc3 Bg7, 4. e4 d6, 5. f3 O-O, 6. Be3 c6, 7. Qd2 a6, 8. g4 (h4!) b5, 9. Nge2 e5, 10. Ng3 ed, 11. Bd4 b4, 12. Nce2 c5? (d5!+), 13. Be3 Nc6, 14. Rd1 Ne5, 15. Ng1 Be6, 16. Qd6 Qd6, 17. Rd6 Nc4, 18. Bc4 Bc4, 19. b3 Bb4, 20. Bc5 a5, 21. N1e2 Rfc8, 22. Be3 Rc2, 23. Nd4 Ne8, 24. Nc2 Nd6, 25. Kd1? Rc8 (1-1)

Tatai - Karpov Las Palmas 1977

1. Nf3 c5, 2. c4 Nf6, 3. Nc3 d5, 4. cd Nd5, 5. g3 g6, 6. Bg2 Bg7, 7. Qa4+ Nc6, 8. Ng5 e6, 9. Nge4 Nb6!, 10. Qb5 c4, 11. Na4 O-O, 12. Nb6 ab6, 13. Qc4 e5, 14. Qc2 Nd4, 15. Qb1 f5, 16. Nc3 e4, 17. d3 b5, 18. Be3 b4, 19. Nd1 Re8, 20. de fe, 21. Bd4 Qd4, 22. a3 Bg4, 23. Qc2 Qd3!, 24. ed3 ed+, 25. Kd2 Re2+, 26. Kd3 Rd8+, 27. Kc4 Rc2+, 28. Kb4 Rcd2!, 29. f3 Bf8+, 30. Ka5 Bd7!, 31. resigns (0-1) (tournament report on next page)

See the back cover for details on the 1977 ALBERTA OPEN. This is the big tournament of the year -- will we see YOU there? Don't miss it! Keen competition. Prizes for all classes. An excellent weekend event -- come on out!

The Chess Championship of the 1977 Canada Games for the Physically Disabled was decided in Edmonton on August 23rd. Since only a limited amount of time (just a few hours) was available, Ian Loadman, the Tournament Director, had to employ 'Loadman-Swiss' pairings. Nevertheless, two players scored perfect 3 out of 3's, with Charles Grover of Manitoba taking first on Solkoff tiebreak over Bill Westcott of Newfoundland. Ronald Bymak of Saskatchewan was third with a 2-1 score.

World Student Team Championship

Stephen Ball of Edmonton provided us with the following letter. Stephen was the Captain of the Canadian Team.

I have just returned from the World Student Team Championship, which was held in Mexico City from August 3 to August 22. The Canadian Team consisted of Peter Nurmi, Fletcher Baragar, Gordon Taylor, myself (Stephen Ball), Ray Stone, and Martin Buchholz.

A total of 18 teams participated in the preliminary rounds. The teams were divided into 3 groups of 6: the top 3 finishers of each group then played in the 'A' final, and the remainder played in the 'B' final. The Panamanian team arrived late, but was allowed to play as a 10th team in the B final, since no change in the number of rounds was required.

Our preliminary group saw the Soviet Union (18), Brazil (12), and Germany (10) qualify to the A final. We only had 9 points, thereby missing the A final. Other teams in the A final were Cuba, the USA, Mexico, Poland, England, and Venezuela.

The B final consisted of Canada, Ecuador, Columbia, Scotland, Costa Rica, Wales, Guatemala, Jamaica, Honduras, and Panama.

In spite of an abysmal start in the B final, with only 1½-2½ against Wales, we were able to overtake Colombia in the final round of the tournament to finish first. We ended with 26½ points in the B final. The Soviets only had 25½ while winning in the A group (of course, they had one round fewer).

Our success in the tournament is largely attributable to Ray Stone and Gordon Taylor. Gordon played in 8 of the 9 rounds in the final, scoring an incredible 7½ points. Ray scored 4½ out of 5. Martin Buchholz managed 5 out of 7. All three got board prizes for their efforts. (Ball scored 5-3 overall -ed)

I will have more to say about the tournament in the next issue of the ACR, so I will give only one game here: Nurmi's very impressive victory over Jaime Sunye of Brazil (Two rounds later, Sunye defeated Grandmaster Romanishin of the Soviet Union). Had we had another point against Brazil, we would have made the A final.

Nurmi (Canada) - Sunye (Brazil)

1. e4 c5, 2. Nf3 d6, 3. a4 cd, 4. Nd4 Nf6,
5. Nc3 a6, 6. Be2 e5, 7. Nb3 Nbd7, 8. a4 b6,
9. Bg5 Bb7, 10. Bc4 Be7, 11. Nd2 0-0, 12. 0-0
- Bc6, 13. Qe2 Qc8, 14. Rfd1 Qb7, 15. Nf1 Rfc8,
16. Ne3!! Be4, 17. Ned5 Nd5, 18. Ne4 Nf4,
19. Bf4 ef4, 20. Bd5 Qc7, 21. Ba8 Ra8, 22. Nc3
- Qd8, 23. Qe4 g5, 24. Nd5 Bf8, 25. h4 h6, 26. hg
- hd, 27. Ra3 Bg7?, 28. Ne7+ Kf8, 29. Rd6 Be5,
30. Nc6 Bd6, 31. Nd8 Rd3, 32. Rh3 Nf6, 33. Qf5
- Ke7, 34. Rh6 Resigns (1-0)

International News

Direct from our correspondent (Ian Loadman) in West Edmonton!

Candidates: Semi-Final Matches

Victor Korchnoi, formerly of the Soviet Union now residing in Holland, defeated Lev Polugaevsky of the Soviet Union by a score of 8½-4½. Korchnoi won the first three games after which there was little doubt about the eventual outcome of the match.

Korchnoi - Polugaevsky Third Game

1. c4 Nf6, 2. Nc3 e6, 3. Nf3 d5, 4. d4 c6, 5. e3
- Nbd7, 6. Bd3 dc, 7. Bc4 b5, 8. Bd3 Bb7, 9. 0-0
- b4, 10. Ne4 Be7, 11. Nf6+ Nf6, 12. e4 0-0, 13.
- e5 Nd7, 14. Qc2 h6, 15. Bh7+ Kh8, 16. Be4 Qb6,
17. Be3 c5, 18. dc Bc5, 19. Rad1! Be3, 20. Rd7
- Rac8, 21. Rb7 Rc2, 22. Rb6 Rf2, 23. Rf2 Bb6,
24. Kf1 Bf2, 25. Kf2 Rc8, 26. Nd4 Rc1, 27. Nb3
- Rh1, 28. h3 Kg8, 29. a3 ba, 30. ba Kf8, 31. a4
- Ke8, 32. a5 Kd7, 33. Ke2 Kc7, 34. Kd2 Rf1, 35.
- Ke2 Rh1, 36. Kd2 Rf1, 37. Kc3 Re1, 38. Nc5 Ra1,
39. Kb4 Re1, 40. Kb5 Kb8, 41. Ka6 h5, 42. Bf3
- h4, 43. Ne4 Re3, 44. Nd6 f6, 45. ef gf, 46. Nb5
- e5, 47. Na7 e4, 48. Bg4 Kc7, 49. Nb5+ Kc6, 50.
- Nd4+ Kc5, 51. Nf5 Ra3, 52. Nh4 Kb4, 53. Kb6 Ra5,
54. Nf5 Re5, 55. Kc6 Kc3, 56. Ng3 Kd2, 57. Kd6
- Ke8, 58. Nh5 e3, 59. Nf6 Ra5, 60. Ne4 e7, 61.
- Bf3 Ra6+, 62. Kc5 Ra5+, 63. Kb4 Resigns (1-0)

Former World Champion Boris Spassky defeated Lajos Portisch of Hungary 8½-6½. Portisch took the lead when Spassky overpressed in the third game, but Spassky dominated the latter part of the match.

Spassky - Portisch Ninth Game

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 Nb8, 10. d4 Nbd7, 11. Nbd2 Bb7, 12. Bc2
- Re8, 13. Nf1 Bf8, 14. Ng3 g6, 15. a4 c5, 16.
- d5 c4, 17. Bg5 h6, 18. Be3 Nc5, 19. Qd2 Kh7,
20. Nh2 Bg7, 21. Rf1 h5, 22. f3 Qe7?, 23. Bg5
- Qf8, 24. f4! ef, 25. Rf4 Nfd7, 26. Raf1 Ne5,
27. Nh5! gh5, 28. Qe2! Qh8, 29. Rh4 Kg6, 30.
- Bd1 f5, 31. Rf5 Rf8, 32. Qh5+ Qh5, 33. Bh5+
- Kh7, 34. Bf7+ Bh6, 35. Rh6+ Kg7, 36. Bf6+
- Kf7, 37. Be5+ Ke8, 38. Rf8+ Kf8, 39. Bd6+
- Kg7, 40. Ng4 Resigns (1-0)

The winner of the Spassky-Korchnoi match, to be held later this year, will face Karpov for the World Championship next year. Spassky and Korchnoi have met in the Candidates' Final once before, in 1968, when Spassky won and went on to become World Champion.

Karpov won the annual tournament at Las Palmas Spain with an incredible score of 13½-1½ over a strong field. Karpov's twelve wins and 3 draws put him a full 2½ points ahead of second place Bent Larsen of Denmark. Jan Timman of Holland was third with 10 points.

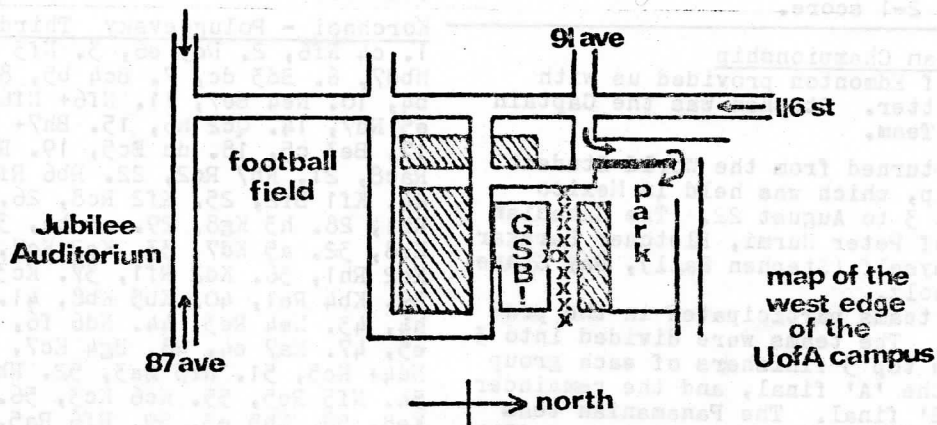
What was probably the strongest tournament of the year was held in Leningrad during July. Only one of the eighteen contestants was not a Grandmaster. The tournament was won by Oleg Romanishin and Mikhail Tal with 11½ points. Third was V. Smyslov (10½), and tied for fourth were R. Vaganian and A. Karpov (!). Karpov had a very poor start (including two losses), but recovered somewhat towards the end. Romanishin's result here is his third win in international tournaments so far this year, and he looks like a likely Candidate for the World Championship in 1981.

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