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### 1985 CANADIAN CLOSED CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP Edmonton, Alberta -- July 13-21

1	Raymond Stone	2341	X	=	0	1	=	1	1	1	1	=	6.5
2	Igor Ivanov	2571	=	X	1	0	=	=	1	1	1	1	6.5
3	Robert Hawkes	2328	1	0	X	=	1	=	1	1	0	1	6
4	Nigel Fullbrook	2266	0	1	=	X	=	=	=	0	1	1	5
5	Brian Hartman	2397	=	=	0	=	X	=	=	1	=	1	5
6	David Ross	2285	0	=	=	=	=	X	=	1	=	1	5
7	Gordon Taylor	2274	0	0	0	=	=	=	X	=	1	1	4
8	Robert Hamilton	2346	0	0	0	1	0	0	=	X	1	1	3.5
9	Jeff Reeve	2275	0	0	1	0	=	=	0	0	X	1	3
10	Francisco Cabanas	2067	=	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	X	0.5

*Included in this issue are round-by-round  
commentaries plus scores of all the games*



*Report on the Canadian Open also within*

### IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT



### ALBERTA OVER/UNDER 1800

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## Reflections

by David Johansen

A long time ago, in a galaxy far, far away, a seed was planted. The planter was never revealed but, suddenly, in March of 1984, the seed began to germinate -- inside my head, of all places. Before I realized it, this strange idea had captivated me and I was proceeding with plans to host the Canadian Chess Championships. I don't really know how it got started but, all of a sudden, I was encouraged on all fronts. "Yes, I want to play ... I think you should organize the '85 Canadian Open, and why not the Closed, too?", they would say. So, sometime in the spring of '84 I was convinced (it probably didn't take much).

Once this insane idea had taken hold of me, I couldn't shake it loose. So, very soon I was calling around town to find a location for an event this large. Frustration was already beginning to set in. "Sorry, we don't have a room that large ... Sorry, we are all booked up for that time." 'But the event is still fifteen months away', I thought. Finally, someone said: "Did you try the Convention Centre?" A quick call brought an invitation to come on down and have a look. A couple of days later, I had found a place to hold the tournaments.

Now all that remained was to prepare a bid. But wait! Where will the money come from to pay for this fancy place? Some checking resulted in confirmation that several alternatives existed. Yes, there are special grants available for hosting a National Championship. Both the City of Edmonton and Alberta Parks and Recreation have special funds for such purposes. 'Great', I thought, 'more paperwork'. Finally, it was complete; the research of past Opens, particularly the '79 Open (thanks to Len Steele and others for documenting the event), was concluded, and projections for '85 were made.

I was all set for a tough time of questions when the final presentation was made to the Annual General Meeting of the CFC Board of Governors in Ottawa. They were not going to cheat me after all the work I had already put in. But there was no opposition, either from competing bids or to any part of my bid (suddenly, I wished there had been -- I would have had an out).

So, onward I pressed. Details were worked out. A hotel sponsor was found. After investigation, I found the airlines would sponsor the event if certain numbers flew to the event. So Air Canada became the "official airline" of the '85 Chess Championships. Wait a minute ... Travel Alberta will help with the mailing out of brochures on the "convention", including supplying the shell for a brochure. So, the propaganda for the event was quickly typeset to fit their pamphlet.

By this time I was quite impressed with the help I had received from various places, including Alberta Parks and Recreation, Travel Alberta, Edmonton Tourist and Convention Authority, and the staff at the Edmonton Convention Centre. The manager of Alberta Place, Mr. Bill Schouten, had also given me some tips. ... This wasn't as difficult as I had thought it might be (still lots of work, though).

Finally, it was all coming together. The ads were placed in all possible chess periodicals (except B.C.'s *Counterplay*, which charged too much), and the brochures were mailed out. But wait! There was a bonus. IGM D.A. Yanofsky of Winnipeg confirmed that he would play in the Open and that he would give a simul on July 13th. A last minute addition was made to the ads in *En Passant* and the *Alberta Chess Report*. ... Whew! Now just sit back and watch the entries roll in.

Finally, an entry. What's this, it's from the U.S. What happened to all the Canadians, the first entry to the Canadian Open is from an American? Oh well, at least the entries are starting to come

in. What about the Closed? The CFC called: "Can you send out the invitations?" Sure, no problem (or so I thought). Just as the data arrives, so does a phone call: "Don't send out anything yet, an important name was left off the list". Just in time. At last, everything is ready. Now I wondered: 'Where are all the chessplayers?'

The events got started with the simultaneous given by Grandmaster Yanofsky on the day for late registrations (July 13). Fourteen chessplayers challenged him, including several 'A' players. However, even that barely slowed him down. Mr. Yanofsky steamrolled his way to a +10 =2 -2 score in only three and a half hours. Chris Demers of Calgary and Dennis Cleaver of Edmonton were the only ones to score a whole point. Rob Gardner held on as the last game, to gain a draw. I would like to thank Mr. Yanofsky for coming early and giving the exhibition.

So, the preamble is over, now to the main events. First, the Canadian Closed, then the Canadian Open.

## 1985 CANADIAN CLOSED CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

by David Johansen and Ian Loadman (*italics*)

After 18 months of planning, it finally began. Having carefully defined as many rules as possible in a handout to the players, the only question at the Player's Meeting was "Can we have the last round moved from 10 am to 11 am?" That out of the way, numbers were drawn, and in an hour the first games of the 1985 Canadian Closed Chess Championships were underway.

### Round 1

(0.0)	R. Hawkes	1/2 - 1/2	N. Fullbrook	(0.0)
(0.0)	G. Taylor	1/2 - 1/2	D. Ross	(0.0)
(0.0)	J. Reeve	1 - 0	F. Cabanas	(0.0)
(0.0)	R. Hamilton	0 - 1	I. Ivanov	(0.0)
(0.0)	B. Hartman	1/2 - 1/2	R. Stone	(0.0)

The biggest question of round one was "Where is Nigel?" He was driving out from Vancouver, but was not present for the Player's Meeting. 5:15 rolled around, and still nothing. Finally, half an hour after the start of the round, he rushes in -- problems with flat tire(s?) somewhere in B.C. and fortunate to get here. The delay caught up to him, however (or was it Hawkes' horseshoes?), a winning position slipped away, and he could only manage a draw.

The sight of the event, which became commonplace after a while, was Brian Hartman and Igor Ivanov rushing back and forth across the room, and sneaking furtive glances, as they proved chess need not be a sport played one game at a time. That's right, they played in a master-strength Closed event, and also participated in the 1985 Canadian Open Chess Championship held in the same room. With most of the rounds coinciding, it provided for some interesting moments when time trouble would arise.

*Taylor and Ross started the Closed with a solidly played draw, while Reeve won rather easily from Cabanas. Ray Stone overlooked a pawn against Hartman but then found the strong 24. ... Ne4 and defended the rook ending well. Ivanov won a pawn early on against Hartman but seemed to make heavy going of converting it.*

### G. Taylor - D. Ross

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 g6 3. Nc3 d5 4. cd5 Nd5 5. e4 Nc3 6. bc3 Bg7 7. Bc4 0-0 8. Ne2 Qd7 9. 0-0 b6 10. f4 Bb7 11. Qd3 Nc6 12. f5 Na5 13. Ba6 Ba6 14. Qa6 c5 15. Qd3 cd4 16. cd4 Rad8 17. Be3 Qa4 18. Rac1 Qa2 19. Rc7 Qb3 20. Qb3 Nb3 (draw).

**R. Hawkes - N. Fullbrook**

1. e4 c5 2. Nc3 Nc6 3. g3 g6 4. Bg2 Bg7 5. d3 e6  
6. Be3 b6 7. Nge2 Nge7 8. d4 cd 9. Nd4 Bd7 10. 0-0  
0-0 11. f4 d5 12. e5 Nd4 13. Bd4 Qd7 14. Qd3 Rfc8  
15. Rfd1 Rc7 16. Rd2 Rac8 17. Bf2 Nc6 18. a3 Na5  
19. Re2 Nc4 20. Nd1 Bf8 21. Bd4 Ba6 22. a4 b5 23.  
Rf2 Bc5 24. b3 Bd4 25. Qd4 Nb6 26. a5 Na8 27. Ne3  
Qc6 28. g4 Qc3 29. Rd1 Qd4 30. Rd4 Rc3 31. Rf3 Nc7  
32. f5 Bb7 33. Rh3 ef 34. gf Re8 35. Ng4 Rh3 36.  
Bh3 Kg7 37. f6+ Kf8 38. c4 h5 39. Nf2 bc 40. bc  
Re5 41. Nd3 Rg5+ 42. Kf2 Ne6 43. Rh4 dc 44. Rc4  
Ra5 45. Rb4 Nd8 46. Ke3 Ra3 47. Rd4 Ke8 48. Bd7+  
Kf8 49. Bc8 Nc6 50. Bb7 Nd4 51. Kd4 Ra2 52. Ne5  
Rh2 53. Bd5 Rf2 54. Bf7 Rf6 55. Bg6 Rg6 56. Ng6+  
Kf7 (draw).

**J. Reeve - F. Cabanas**

1. e4 d5 2. ed Nf6 3. d4 Nd5 4. c4 Nb6 5. Nf3 c5  
6. d5 e6 7. Nc3 Be7 8. Bf4 0-0 9. Bd3 ed 10. ed  
Bd6 11. Bd6 Qd6 12. 0-0 c4 13. Bc2 N8d7 14. Ng5 h6  
15. Nge4 Qe7 16. Re1 Nf6 17. Qd4 Ne4 18. Re4 Qd6  
19. Re3 f5 20. Rae1 Bd7 21. a4 a5 22. f4 Rac8 23.  
Re6 Be6 24. Re6 Qc7 25. Rb6 Rce8 26. d6 Qf7 27.  
Qd5 Qd5 28. Nd5 Kh8 29. Ne7 Rf6 30. d7 Rd8 31. Rf6  
gf 32. Bf5 Kg7 33. Be6 f5 34. Nd5 Kg6 35. Kf2 c3  
36. bc b5 37. g4 fg 38. f5+ Kg5 39. ab a4 40. b6  
a3 41. Nb4 Kh5 42. c4 (1-0).

**B. Hartman - R. Stone**

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 e6 3. d4 cd 4. Nd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 d6  
6. Be2 Nc6 7. Be3 Be7 8. 0-0 0-0 9. f4 a6 10. a4  
Qc7 11. Qe1 Nd4 12. Bd4 e5 13. fe de 14. Qg3 Re8  
15. Rad1 Bd8 16. Be5 Re5 17. Rd8+ Qd8 18. Qe5 Qb6+  
19. Kh1 Be6 20. Nd5 Bd5 21. ed Qc5 22. Bf3 Re8 23.  
Qc3 Qc3 24. bc Ne4 25. Be4 Re4 26. d6 Kf8 27. Kg1  
Re6 28. Rd1 Ke8 29. c4 Re4 30. Rb1 Rc4 31. Rb7 Rd4  
32. Kf2 Rd6 33. Ra7 Rc6 34. c4 Rc4 35. Ra6 Ke7 36.  
a5 Rc2+ 37. Kf3 h5 38. Rb6 Ra2 39. a6 g5 40. Rb7+  
Ke6 41. a7 f5 42. Rg7 Kf6 43. Rh7 Ra3+ 44. Ke2 f4  
45. h3 Kg6 46. Rc7 g4 47. Rc6+ (draw).

**R. Hamilton - I. Ivanov**

1. e4 c5 2. f4 Nf6 3. e5 Nd5 4. d4 cd 5. Qd4 e6 6.  
Nf3 Nc6 7. Qd2 Bc5 8. Qe2 d6 9. Nbd2 Nf4 10. Qc4  
Ng6 11. ed Bd6 12. Ne4 0-0 13. Nd6 Qd6 14. Be3  
Nge5 15. Qc3 Nf3+ 16. gf Rd8 17. Bd3 Qe5 18. Qe5  
Ne5 19. Be2 b6 20. Kf2 Bb7 21. Rad1 f6 22. a4 Nc6  
23. c4 Ba6 24. Rd8+ Rd8 25. a5 ba 26. b4 Nb4 27.  
Ra5 Bc8 28. Ra7 e5 29. Bb6 Re8 30. c5 Be6 31. Bc7  
Nc6 32. Ra6 Nd4 33. Rb6 Kf7 34. Bd6 Bd5 35. Ra6 f5  
36. Bd1 e4 37. fe Re4 38. Bh5+ g6 39. Bd1 h5 40.  
Bc7 Ne6 41. Bd6 Ng5 (sealed) 42. Ra7+ Kf6 43. Ba4  
f4 44. Bb5 Nh3+ 45. Kf1 f3 46. Ra1 h4 47. c6 Rg4  
48. Bc5 Bc4+ 49. Bc4 Rc4 50. Bb6 Rc6 51. Bd8+ Kf5  
52. Bh4 Rc2 53. Bg3 Rg2 54. Ra5+ Kf6 55. Ra6+ Kg5  
56. Ra5+ Kh6 57. Ke1 Rg1+ 58. Kd2 f2 (0-1).

**Round 2**

(0.5)	N. Fullbrook	0 - 1	R. Stone	(0.5)
(1.0)	I. Ivanov	1/2 - 1/2	B. Hartman	(0.5)
(0.0)	F. Cabanas	0 - 1	R. Hamilton	(0.0)
(0.5)	D. Ross	1/2 - 1/2	J. Reeve	(1.0)
(0.5)	R. Hawkes	1 - 0	G. Taylor	(0.5)

The watched for encounter Ivanov/Hartman occurred very early. With both playing "simuls", a number of observers were hoping they would meet in the two events simultaneously, but that spectacle was not to be (their "Open" encounter occurred in round 8). This clash did, however, cost Igor a point in his Open game. Rob Hawkes was still waving his horseshoes around (albeit through two adjournments), and the other games were somewhat uneventful.

Fullbrook got into trouble trying to play the Velesminovic Attack against Stone's Scheveningen. He was forced to give up two pieces for a rook and

Stone was up to the technical task. Cabanas fell far behind in development and compounded his troubles by opening the f-file for Hamilton with 15. e6. Dave Ross blundered a pawn in the opening; he had thought to answer 10. ... Bc4 with 11. Nd5, overlooking that, after 11. ... Ne4, mate is threatened on f2. Reeve later returned the favor with 17. ... h6.

Hawkes-Taylor was a spectacle. Hawkes acquired a truly wretched position from the opening -- he blamed it on 13. Bd3, considering 13. Bf1 better so that, after 13. ... Bg4, 14. Re3 Bh6, he could play 15. Rd3. Taylor piled on the pressure and harvested a pawn just before the time control. The ending shouldn't have presented any real problems, but ... thus Hawkes, who had looked likely to begin the tournament 0 for 2, had 1.5 points and a share of the lead.

**N. Fullbrook - R. Stone**

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 e6 3. d4 cd 4. Nd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 d6  
6. Bc4 Be7 7. Be3 0-0 8. Qe2 a6 9. 0-0-0 b5 10.  
Bb3 Qc7 11. f3 Bd7 12. g4 b4 13. Na4 Qa5 14. Nb6  
Qb6 15. Ne6 Qb7 16. Nf8 Bf8 17g5 Bb5 18Qg2 Nfd7  
19f4 Bc6 20. Bd5 Nb6 21. Bb6 Qb6 22. Rhe1 Bd5 23.  
Rd5 Nc6 24. h4 Rc8 25. Kb1 Ne7 26. Rd2 a5 27. h5  
a4 28. f5 Qc5 29. f6 Nc6 30. Rd5 Qc4 31. g6 fg 32.  
hg hg 33. f7+ Kf7 34. b3 Qc3 35. Rf1+ Kg8 36. Qg6  
Qc2+ 37. Kc2 Ne5+ 38. Kd2 Ng6 39. ba Ra8 40. a5  
Ne5 41. Rfc1 Kf7 42. Rc7+ Ke6 43. Kc2 Nd7 44. Rc6  
Nf6 45. Rb5 Ne4 46. Kb3 g5 47. Kb4 g4 48. Kc4 Be7  
49. Kd3 Ng5 50. Rc4 Nf3 51. Ke2 Ne5 52. Ra4 Bf6  
53. a6 Nc6 54. Kf2 Be5 55. Rg4 Ra6 56. a4 Bd4+ 57.  
Ke1 Ra4 58. Rg6+ Bf6 59. Rb6 Rc4 60. Ke2 Kf5 61.  
Rh6 Be5 62. Rb7 Ke4 63. Rd7 Nd4+ 64. Kf1 Nf5 65.  
Rg6 Kf3 66. Ke1 Bf4 (0-1).

**F. Cabanas - R. Hamilton**

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. g3 Nc6 4. Bg2 g6 5. 0-0 Bg7  
6. c3 Nf6 7. Re1 0-0 8. d4 cd4 9. cd4 Bg4 10. h3  
Bf3 11. Bf3 Qb6 12. e5 de5 13. de5 Rad8 14. Nd2  
Nd7 15. e6 fe6 16. Qb3 Nc5 17. Qb6 ab 18. Bc6 bc6  
19. Nc4 b5 20. Ne5 Be5 21. Re5 Rd1+ 22. Kg2 Nd3  
23. Re2 Ne1+ 24. Re1 Re1 25. b3 Rf8 26. Bb2 Ra1  
27. Ba1 Ra8 (0-1).

**D. Ross - J. Reeve**

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 g6 3. Nc3 Bg7 4. e4 d6 5. Be2 0-0  
6. Bg5 c5 7. dc5 Qa5 8. Bd2 Qc5 9. h3 Be6 10. Rc1  
Bc4 11. Nf3 Be2 12. Qe2 Qb6 13. 0-0 Qa6 14. Qe3  
Nd7 15. Qg5 Rac8 16. Qh4 Rc5 17. Rfe1 h6 18. Bh6  
Rh5 19. Bg7 Rh4 20. Bf8 Rf4 21. Be7 Ne5 22. Ne5  
de5 23. g3 Rf3 24. Kg2 Rd3 25. Rad1 (draw).

**I. Ivanov - B. Hartman**

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 c5 3. d5 b5 4. cb a6 5. e3 g6 6.  
Nc3 Bg7 7. Nf3 0-0 8. a4 Bb7 9. ba Na6 10. Bc4 Ne8  
11. 0-0 Nd6 12. Be2 Nc7 13. e4 Bc3 14. bc Ne4 15.  
c4 Nc3 16. Qc2 Ne2+ 17. Qe2 Ba6 18. Qe4 Ne8 19.  
Bh6 Nd6 20. Qf4 Re8 21. Nd2 Nf5 22. Rfe1 Qb8 23.  
Rab1 Qf4 24. Bf4 f6 25. Bc7 Kf7 26. a5 Rac8 27.  
Bb6 h5 28. f3 h4 29. Kf2 Nd6 30. Rbc1 e5 31. de  
Re6 32. Re6 de (draw).

**R. Hawkes - G. Taylor**

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Bb5 g6 4. 0-0 Bg7 5. c3 Nf6  
6. Re1 0-0 7. d4 cd4 8. cd4 d5 9. e5 Ne4 10. Nc3  
Nc3 11. bc3 Na5 12. Qa4 a6 13. Bd3 Bg4 14. Nd2 Rc8  
15. Qb4 Qc7 16. Nb1 e6 17. Qb2 Rfe8 18. Bg5 Nc4  
19. Qc1 Bf5 20. Rd1 Qb6 21. Na3 Bd3 22. Rd3 Qb2  
23. Qb2 Nb2 24. Rf3 Na4 25. Bd2 Rc7 26. Rb1 Rec8  
27. Rb3 Bf8 28. Nc2 b5 29. Kf1 Be7 30. Ke2 Kg7 31.  
Ne1 Rc4 32. Rd3 Bd8 33. Nc2 Ba5 34. Ne3 Nc3+ 35.  
Bc3 Rc3 36. Ra3 Ra3 37. Ra3 Bb6 38. Kd3 a5 39. Rb3  
b4 40. Nc2 Rc4 41. a3 (sealed) ba3 42. Ra3 Rc8 43.  
Rb3 Bd8 44. Rb7 Ra8 45. Kc3 Kf8 46. Na3 Be7 47.  
Nb5 a4 48. Ra7 Rc8+ 49. Kd3 Rb8 50. Nd6 Bd6 51.  
ed6 Rd8 52. Ra6 Ke8 53. Kc3 Rc8+ 54. Kd3 Kd7 55.  
Ra4 Kd6 56. Ra7 Rc7 57. Ra6+ (sealed) Ke7 58. Ra8  
Kf6 59. Ra3 h5 60. h4 Kf5 61. Ke3 Rc1 62. g3 f6  
63. Kd2 Rc4 64. Rf3+ Kg4 65. Rf6 Rd4+ 66. Kc3 Re4  
67. f3+ Kg3 68. fe4 de4 69. Kd4 Kh4 70. Rg6 Kh3  
71. Ke4 h4 72. Kf3 e5 73. Rg4 (1-0).

**Round 3**

(0.5) G. Taylor	1/2 - 1/2	N. Fullbrook	(0.5)
(1.5) J. Reeve	1 - 0	R. Hawkes	(1.5)
(1.0) R. Hamilton	0 - 1	D. Ross	(1.0)
(1.0) B. Hartman	1 - 0	F. Cabanas	(0.0)
(0.5) R. Stone	1/2 - 1/2	I. Ivanov	(1.5)

Rob Hawkes suffered his first loss of the tournament to old Alberta rival Jeff Reeve in this round, which may have cost him a tie for the championship. Rob Hamilton went into a third adjournment before losing to Dave Ross.

Nigel Fullbrook showed why he is known as the "Mad Dog" in his game with Taylor; a vast amount of material changed hands before the players settled for a draw. Jeff Reeve continued his dominance over Hawkes, to become the first player to take the sole lead with 2.5. Stone achieved a good position against Ivanov's unusual play, but decided to settle for a draw. At the first adjournment, Hamilton was slightly better against Ross, but his rook sacrifice was no good and Ross won. Cabanas got into trouble combining two different systems (... Bg4 and ... g6) and later blundered a pawn with 23. ... f6.

**G. Taylor - N. Fullbrook**

1. d4 d5 2. c4 dc 3. e4 e5 4. d5 Nf6 5. Nc3 b5 6. Nb5 Ne4 7. Qa4 c6 8. dc Nc6 9. Qc4 Bb4+ 10. Nc3 Qd4 11. Qc6+ Bd7 12. Qa8+ Ke7 13. Qe4 Qe4+ 14. Be2 Bc6 15. f3 Qc2 16. Bd2 a5 17. Bd1 Qg7 18. g3 Rd8 19. Bb3 Qd3 20. 0-0-0 Qg6 21. Re1 Kf8 22. a3 a4 23. Bc2 Qd6 24. Rd1 Ba3 25. Bg5 Bb2+ 26. Kb1 Bc3 27. Rd6 Rd6 28. Ne2 Bf3 29. Nc3 Bh1 30. Na4 g6 31. Nc5 f6 32. Be3 Kf7 33. Bb3+ Bd5 34. Nb7 Rd7 35. Nc5 Rd8 (draw).

**J. Reeve - R. Hawkes**

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 Qd7 4. c3 b6 5. a4 a5 6. Bd3 Ba6 7. f4 Ne7 8. Nf3 h5 9. Be3 Bd3 10. Qd3 Nf5 11. Bf2 c5 12. 0-0 Be7 13. Na3 Nc6 14. Nb5 0-0 15. g3 c4 16. Qe2 Na7 17. h3 Nb5 18. ab5 Qb5 19. g4 hg4 20. hg4 Nh6 21. Bh4 Qd7 22. Be7 Qe7 23. g5 Nf5 24. Qh2 g6 25. Nh4 Ng7 26. Rf3 Nh5 27. Kf2 Kg7 28. Ng2 Rh8 29. Ne3 Kf8 30. Ng4 Ke8 31. Nf6+ Kd8 32. Rh3 Qf8 33. Nh5 gh5 34. Rh5 Ke7 35. Ke3 Rh5 36. Qh5 Qh8 37. Rh1 Qh5 38. Rh5 a4 39. Rh7 a3 40. ba3 Ra3 41. g6 Rc3+ 42. Kf2 Rc2+ 43. Kf3 Rc1 (sealed) 44. Rf7+ Ke8 45. f5 c3 46. Rc7 ef5 47. Rc8+ Kd7 48. g7 Kc8 49. g8(Q)+ Kc7 50. Qg7+ Kb8 51. Qf8+ Kb7 52. Qe7+ Kc6 53. Qa3 (1-0).

**R. Stone - I. Ivanov**

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. Nf3 c5. d5 b5 5. Bg5 ed5 6. cd5 d6 7. e4 a6 8. a4 ba 9. Be2 Be7 10. 0-0 Ne4 11. Be7 Ke7 12. Re1 Kf8 13. Nbd2 Nf6 14. Nc4 a5 15. Qd3 Ba6 16. Nfd2 Ra7 17. Qg3 Rd7 18. Ne3 Be2 19. Re2 h5 20. h4 Rh6 21. Qf4 Rg6 22. f3 Na6 23. Ndc4 Nc7 24. Rd1 Nce8 25. Nf5 Kg8 26. Qe3 Kh7 27. Ne7 Rh6 28. Nf5 Rg6 29. Ne7 (draw).

**R. Hamilton - D. Ross**

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. Nd2 a6 4. e5 c5 5. dc5 Bc5 6. Nb3 Bb6 7. Qg4 Kf8 8. Bd3 Nc6 9. Qe2 Bd7 10. Nf3 Nge7 11. c3 Ng6 12. 0-0 Bc7 13. Bg6 hg6 14. Re1 Rh5 15. g4 Rh8 16. Nbd4 Rc8 17. Nc6 Bc6 18. Nd4 Qh4 19. Bf4 Bb6 20. Bg3 Qh3 21. Rad1 Bd7 22. Qc2 Bc5 23. Qe2 Bb6 24. Rd2 Rc4 25. Qf3 g5 26. b3 Rc8 27. Rc1 Ke7 28. Qe2 Rf7 29. f3 Qh6 30. Qe3 Rhc8 31. Rdc2 Qg6 32. Bf2 Ke8 33. Qe2 Bc5 34. Qd2 Ba3 35. Re1 Bc5 36. Kg2 Be7 37. Ne2 Bb5 38. Nc1 Bb4 39. Bd4 Bc5 40. Bc5 Rc5 41. a4 (sealed) Bd7 42. Nd3 R5c7 43. h4 gh4 44. Kh3 Kf8 45. Nf4 Qh6 46. Rg1 f6 47. Qe3 g5 48. Nh5 fe5 49. Qe5 Be8 50. f4 Bh5 51. gh5 Qh7 52. fg Qc2 53. Rf1+ Ke7 54. Qf6+ Kd6 55. Qf4+ Ke7 56. Qf6+ Kd6 57. Qf4+ Kc6 58. Kh4 (sealed) b6 59. g6 Kb7 60. Rg1 Qc3 61. h6 e5 62. Qf5 Qe3 63. Rg5 Rc1 64. Qd7+ Kb8 65. Qd6+ Ka7 66. Qd7+ R8c7 67. Qh3 Qh3+ 68. Kh3 Rh1+ 69. Kg4 Rh6 70. g7 Rc8 71. g8(Q) Rg8 72. Rg8 Kb7 73. Kf5 (sealed) Kc6 74. Ke5 Kc5 75. Rc8+ Kb4 76. Kd5 a5 77. Rc4+ Kb3 78. Rg4 Ka3 79. Rf4 Rh3 80. Rf1 (0-1).

**B. Hartman - F. Cabanas**

1. e4 d5 2. ed5 Nf6 3. Nf3 Nd5 4. d4 Bg4 5. Be2 g6 6. h3 Bf3 7. Bf3 c6 8. 0-0 Bg7 9. c3 0-0 10. Qb3 Nb6 11. a4 a5 12. Bg5 N8d7 13. Re1 Nf6 14. Nd2 Qc7 15. Nc4 Nc4 16. Qc4 e6 17. Qb3 Nd5 18. Rad1 h6 19. Bh4 Rfe8 20. Bg3 Qd7 21. h4 h5 22. Be5 Bh6 23. g3 f6 24. Bd5 ed5 25. Bf6 Re1+ 26. Re1 Rf8 27. Be5 Qf5 28. Re2 Qf3 29. Qc2 Kh7 30. Re1 b5 31. ab5 cb5 32. Qe2 Qf5 33. Kg2 Rf7 34. Rf1 b4 35. cb ab 36. f3 b3 37. Qb5 Qc2+ 38. Rf2 Qc4 39. Qe8 Rg7 40. f4 Qd3 41. Bg7 Bg7 42. f5 gf5 43. Qh5+ Kg8 44. Qf5 Qe4+ 45. Qe4 de4 46. Re2 (1-0).

**Round 4**

(1.0) N. Fullbrook	1 - 0	I. Ivanov	(2.0)
(0.0) F. Cabanas	1/2 - 1/2	R. Stone	(2.0)
(2.0) D. Ross	1/2 - 1/2	B. Hartman	(2.0)
(1.5) R. Hawkes	1 - 0	R. Hamilton	(1.0)
(1.0) G. Taylor	1 - 0	J. Reeve	(2.5)

This was an important round for most players. Nigel surprised a few people by defeating Igor Ivanov. This win put him in contention for one of the top places if he could continue to play well. Francisco Cabanas was very much outmatched in most of his games, but pressed hard a couple of times. Here he holds on until adjournment time, and when Ray Stone fails to seal the best move, takes his only score of the tournament. On the other side, had Ray been able to take the full point, he would have had clear first. Rob Hawkes prevailed in another adjourned game over Rob Hamilton (who at one time had three games unfinished). Jeff Reeve's loss to Gordon Taylor marked the beginning of the end for him. After a fast start (2 1/2 out of 3) he could manage only 1/2 point in the last six games. The distractions of 'playing at home' may have overcome him. And Brian Hartman, who drew quietly with Dave Ross, "took the night off", as he later commented (drawing quickly in his Open game that night as well).

The leaders after this round were Stone, Ross, Hartman, Hawkes and Reeve, with 2.5. Many of the spectators were wondering if Ivanov had perhaps bitten off more than he could chew in deciding to play in both the Open and the Closed. Although by far the highest rated player, he had only an even score in the Closed and had lost a game in the open to an A-player. The rest of the way, however, Ivanov was a dynamo; he posted a score of 4.5 out of 5 in the Closed and matched it in the Open to tie for first in both.

**N. Fullbrook - I. Ivanov**

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 cd 4. Nd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 Nc6 6. Bc4 e6 7. Be3 Be7 8. Qe2 Bd7 9. 0-0-0 Rc8 10. f4 Na5 11. Be6 fe 12. e5 Nc4 13. ef Qb6 14. Ndb5 Qe3+ 15. Qe3 Ne3 16. fe Rc3 17. Nd6+ Ke7 18. bc Nd1 19. Rd1 Bc6 20. g3 Rd8 21. Nc4 Rd1+ 22. Kd1 Bd5 23. Na5 Ba2 24. Nb7 Kd7 25. Nc5+ Kc6 26. Nb3 Kd5 27. Kc1 g5 28. fg e5 29. h4 Ke4 30. h5 Kf5 31. g6 hg 32. h6 Kf6 33. c4 (1-0).

**F. Cabanas - R. Stone**

1. e4 d6 2. g3 g6 3. Bg2 Bg7 4. Nc3 c5 5. d3 Nc6 6. Nge2 Rb8 7. a4 a6 8. Nd5 e6 9. Ne3 Nge7 10. h4 h5 11. g4 hg 12. Ng4 Ng8 13. Bg5 f6 14. Bd2 f5 15. Bg5 Nce7 16. ef gf 17. Ne3 Bb2 18. Rb1 Bf6 19. Nf4 d5 20. Nh5 Bg5 21. hg Ng6 22. f4 Qa5+ 23. Kf2 Qa4 24. Ng7+ Kf8 25. Rh8 Nh8 26. Nh5 Ng6 27. Ra1 Qd4 28. Qe1 Nf4 29. Nf4 Qf4+ 30. Bf3 Qh4+ 31. Kg2 Qe1 32. Re1 b5 33. Ra1 Ne7 34. Kg3 d4 35. Ng2 Ng6 36. Nf4 Ne5 37. Bh5 Ng4 38. Bg4 fg 39. Re1 Rb6 40. Ng6+ Kg7 41. Ne5 Bb7 (sealed) 42. Kg4 Bd5 43. Rf1 Rb7 44. Kh5 Bg2 45. Rf6 Bh3 46. Rg6+ Kh7 47. Rh6+ Kg8 48. Kg6 Bf5+ 49. Kf6 Rg7 50. g6 a5 51. Nc6 a4 52. Ne7+ Re7 53. Ke7 Kg7 54. Rh1 b4 55. Ra1 a3 56. Kd6 c4 57. Kc5 Bd3 58. Kb4 Bc2 59. Kc4 e5 60. Ra3 Kg6 61. Kd5 (draw).

**D. Ross - B. Hartman**

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 c5 3. d5 b5 4. a4 bc 5. Nc3 g6 6. e4 d6 7. Bc4 Bg7 8. f4 0-0 9. Nf3 Ba6 10. Ba6 Na6 11. 0-0 Nb4 12. Qe2 Qc7 13. Kh1 e6 14. e5 de 15. d6 Qc6 16. fe Nd7 17. Bf4 c4 18. Bg3 (draw).

**R. Hawkes - R. Hamilton**

1. e4 c6 2. d4 g6 3. c4 d6 4. Nc3 e5 5. Nf3 Qc7 6. Be3 Bg4 7. Be2 Bg7 8. de5 de5 9. 0-0 Nd7 10. Nd2 Be6 11. c5 Ne7 12. Bc4 Bc4 13. Nc4 0-0 14. Qd6 Qd6 15. Nd6 Rfb8 16. Rfd1 Nf8 17. Na4 Ne6 18. Rd3 Rd8 19. Rb3 b5 20. cb6 Rd6 21. b7 Rb8 22. Ba7 Rd8 23. Bb8 Rb8 24. Rd1 c5 25. Rd6 Bf8 26. Kf1 Nd4 27. Rd4 cd4 28. Nc5 Nc6 29. Na6 Rd8 30. b8(Q) Nb8 31. Rb8 Rd6 32. Nb4 d3 33. Nd5 Kg7 34. Rb3 Ra6 35. a3 Ra4 36. Nb4 f5 37. f3 Kf6 38. Ke1 fe4 39. fe4 Kg5 40. Kd2 Kf4 41. Kd3 h5 42. Nd5+ Kg4 43. Ne3+ (sealed) Kf4 44. Nc4 Bc5 45. Rb5 Bd4 46. Ne5 Be5 47. g3+ Kg4 48. Re5 g5 49. h3+ Kg3 50. Rg5+ Kh4 51. Rf5 Ra6 52. e5 Rb6 53. Kc3 Rc6+ 54. Kd4 Rb6 55. b4 Ra6 56. Rf3 (1-0).

**G. Taylor - J. Reeve**

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. g3 c5 4. Nf3 cd4 5. Nd4 d5 6. Bg2 e5 7. Nf3 d4 8. 0-0 Nc6 9. e3 Be7 10. ed4 ed4 11. Bf4 0-0 12. Ne5 Ne5 13. Be5 Bc5 14. Nd2 Re8 15. Bf6 Qf6 16. Nb3 Qb6 17. Qh5 Bf8 18. c5 Qb4 19. Rad1 g6 20. Qd5 Qa4 21. c6 Qa2 22. cb7 Bb7 23. Qb7 Rab8 24. Nc1 Rb7 25. Na2 Rb2 26. Nc1 Rc8 27. Nd3 Rb3 28. Rd2 Rd8 29. Ne5 Rb4 30. Nc6 (1-0).

**Round 5**

(2.5)	J. Reeve	0 - 1	N. Fullbrook	(2.0)
(1.0)	R. Hamilton	1/2 - 1/2	G. Taylor	(2.0)
(2.5)	B. Hartman	0 - 1	R. Hawkes	(2.5)
(2.5)	R. Stone	1 - 0	D. Ross	(2.5)
(2.0)	I. Ivanov	1 - 0	F. Cabanas	(0.5)

With almost half the tournament played, it was becoming evident that it would be extremely competitive to the last game. Five players had identical 2.5/4 scores to tie for the lead. Nigel surged into the fray with the second of three consecutive wins, and Rob Hawkes registered a mild upset with his win over Hartman (also the second of three consecutive wins). The strain of playing two games at once seemed to begin to take its toll on Hartman, as he seemingly took too many draws near the end of the tournament. Meanwhile, Ray Stone needed two extra sessions to defeat Dave Ross. At the midway mark of the event it seemed to me that Ray Stone was playing the most solidly, and was my choice to take home the title (given, of course, the self-imposed handicap of Hartman and Ivanov).

An action-packed round, where many games did not turn out "as expected". Reeve won a piece from Fullbrook, but Nigel managed to collect an assortment of pawns. Still, there was no reason for Jeff to lose until he played 37. Rc4, creating a passed c-pawn for Black. Taylor was well on his way to beating Hamilton when he ran into an unfortunate (for Taylor) tactic. Hawkes added to his reputation as the luckiest player in the tournament with his win over Hartman. Hawkes' opening left much to be desired and Hartman played incisively to build up an advantage. With 21. ... Qd6, Hawkes saced the exchange for 2 pawns and was immediately rewarded when Hartman blundered with 25. Rb7, losing 2 more pawns. Stone played a nice game to beat Ross, while Ivanov began his drive to the top by annihilating Cabanas.

**J. Reeve - N. Fullbrook**

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. d4 cd 4. Nd4 g6 5. Nb3 Nf6 6. Nc3 Bg7 7. Be2 0-0 8. 0-0 d6 9. Bg5 Be6 10. Kh1 a6 11. f4 b5 12. Bf3 Rc8 13. Nd5 a5 14. Nf6+ ef 15. Bh4 a4 16. Nc1 Qd7 17. f5 gf 18. ef Bf5 19.

Bc6 Rc6 20. Nd3 Bg4 21. Qd2 f5 22. Nf4 Rfc8 23. c3 d5 24. Rae1 d4 25. h3 Qd6 26. hg4 dc 27. Qd6 Rd6 28. bc Bc3 29. Rd1 Rd1 30. Rd1 fg 31. Nd5 Rc4 32. Nc3 Rc3 33. Bf6 Rc8 34. a3 h6 35. Rd4 Rc4 36. Kh2 Kh7 37. Rc4 bc 38. Kg3 Kg6 39. Bc3 Kf5 40. Kf2 Ke4 41. Ke2 f5 42. Bd2 f4 43. Be1 g3 44. Ba5 h5 45. Bc3 h4 46. Bf6 h3 47. gh f3+ 48. Kf1 Kf4 49. h4 Kg4 50. Kg1 Kh3 51. h5 f2+ 52. Kf1 g2+ 53. Kf2 Kh2 (0-1).

**R. Hamilton - G. Taylor**

1. e4 c5 2. b4 cb4 3. a3 d5 4. ed5 Qd5 5. Nf3 Bg4 6. Bb2 Nf6 7. Be2 e6 8. 0-0 Nc6 9. ab4 Bb4 10. c4 Qd8 11. d4 0-0 12. h3 Bh5 13. Qb3 Be7 14. Nbd2 b6 15. Rfd1 Rc8 16. Rac1 Rc7 17. Nf1 Rd7 18. Qe3 Bg6 19. Ng3 h6 20. Qb3 Nh5 21. Nh5 Bh5 22. d5 ed5 23. cd5 Na5 24. Qb5 Bc5 25. Ne5 Be2 26. Qe2 Rd5 27. Ng6 Rd1+ 28. Rd1 Qe8 29. Be5 fg6 30. Qa2+ Qf7 31. Rd7 Bf2 32. Kh1 Nc6 33. Rf7 Rf7 34. Bd6 Nd4 35. Qd5 Nf5 36. Ba3 Bh4 37. g4 Ne7 38. Qe6 Bf6 39. Bd6 b5 40. Kg2 a5 (sealed; draw).

**B. Hartman - R. Hawkes**

1. e4 g6 2. d4 Bg7 3. Nf3 d6 4. Be2 a6 5. 0-0 Nf6 6. Nc3 0-0 7. a4 e6 8. Re1 b6 9. e5 de5 10. Ne5 Bb7 11. Bf3 Qc8 12. Bg5 Ra7 13. Re3 Nd5 14. Nd5 Bd5 15. Bd5 ed5 16. Qf3 c6 17. Bf6 Nd7 18. Nd7 Rd7 19. a5 b5 20. Rae1 Qc7 21. b4 Qd6 22. Be7 Re7 23. Re7 Qb4 24. c3 Qa5 25. Rb7 Bd4 26. h4 Qc3 27. Qe2 h5 28. Rd1 c5 29. Rd7 Qc4 30. Qf3 b4 31. Rd3 Qc1+ 32. Kh2 Qc2 33. Kg3 Bf2+ 34. Kh3 Qb1 35. g4 Qf1+ 36. Kh2 Qg1+ 37. Kh3 hg4+ 38. Qg4 Qh1 mate (0-1).

**R. Stone - D. Ross**

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. Nf3 c5 4. d5 ed 5. cd d6 6. Nc3 g6 7. Nd2 Nbd7 8. e4 Bg7 9. Be2 0-0 10. 0-0 Re8 11. a4 Ne5 12. Re1 Nh5 13. Nf1 f5 14. Bh5 gh 15. Qh5 Rf8 16. Ng3 f4 17. Nf5 Bf5 18. ef Qd7 19. Ne4 Rf5 20. Qh3 Rd8 21. Nd6 Nf3+ 22. Qf3 Qd6 23. g3 Qd5 24. Qd5 Rfd5 25. Bf4 Bb2 26. Rab1 Bc3 27. Re7 Rd1+ 28. Rd1 Rd1+ 29. Kg2 Rb1 30. Be3 c4 31. Ba7 Bf6 32. Rc7 c3 33. a5 Be5 34. Rc5 Bf6 35. Rc7 Be5 36. Rc7 Bf6 37. Kf3 Kf7, 38. Rc4 Ke6 39. Ke4 Rb5 40. Bb6 Re5+ 41. Kd3 Rd5+ 42. Ke2 Re5+ 43. Kd1 Rb5 44. Rc7 h5 45. Rb7 Rb1+ 46. Kc2 Rb2+ 47. Kc1 Ra2 48. Be3 Ra5 49. Kc2 Kf5 50. Rc4 Rd5 51. h3 Kg6 52. Rc4 Rd6 53. Rc5 Re6 54. Rb5 Rd6 55. Ra5 Re6 56. Rb5 Rd6 57. Rc5 (1-0).

**I. Ivanov - F. Cabanas**

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 c5 3. Nf3 cd4 4. Nd4 Nc6 5. Nc3 d5 6. Nc6 bc6 7. cd5 cd5 8. e4 Ne4 9. Bb5+ Bd7 10. Qd5 Nf6 11. Bd7+ Nd7 12. 0-0 e6 13. Qb5 Qb6 14. Be3 Bc5 15. Bc5 Qc5 16. Qa4 Ke7 17. Ne4 Qe5 18. Rfd1 Nc5 19. Nc5 Qc5 20. Rac1 Qe5 21. Qa3+ Kf6 22. Rc5 Qe4 23. Qc3+ Kg6 24. Qg3+ (1-0).

**Round 6**

(3.0)	N. Fullbrook	1 - 0	F. Cabanas	(0.5)
(2.5)	D. Ross	1/2 - 1/2	I. Ivanov	(3.0)
(3.5)	R. Hawkes	1 - 0	R. Stone	(3.5)
(2.5)	G. Taylor	1/2 - 1/2	B. Hartman	(2.5)
(2.5)	J. Reeve	0 - 1	R. Hamilton	(1.5)

This round showed one minor upset (after I mentally said Stone was playing the best chess), with Hawkes capturing sole possession of first place with his victory over Stone. Cabanas' opening repertoire showed its weakness in his miniature with Fullbrook. Dave Ross held a draw against Igor Ivanov, with a number of observers expecting Igor to grind out a win from a seemingly drawn position. In a game that decided their respective order of finish, Rob Hamilton handed Jeff Reeve his third consecutive loss. And Brian Hartman played another draw (his fourth of six), this time with Gordon Taylor.

Ross played well to draw Ivanov, but it did not come easily. The ending of 2R + 2B vs 2R + B + N with pawns on only one side is certainly drawn but White had all the chances to lose -- or, as a worried Ross put it, "Welcome to Igor's House of Horrors". Hawkes again acquired a suspicious looking position en route to victory. Stone ran short of time and appeared to overestimate his position. His Queen sacrifice was easily refuted. During the time scramble, Hawkes erred with 37. Qg7, as Black could have played 37. ... Bf3+, getting a rook ending only one pawn down, but Stone missed it. Reeve saced an exchange, thinking he had at least a perpetual, but soon discovered that it was all a mirage. After 6 Hawkes led with 4.5, followed by Fullbrook on 4.

#### N. Fullbrook - F. Cabanas

1. e4 d5 2. ed5 Nf6 3. d4 Nd5 4. c4 Nb6 5. c5 N6d7 6. Nf3 g6 7. Bc4 Bg7 8. Bf7+ Kf7 9. Ng5+ Ke8 10. Ne6 Nf6 11. Nd8 (1-0).

#### D. Ross - I. Ivanov

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 g6 3. Nc3 Bg7 4. e4 d6 5. f3 O-0 6. Bg5 Nbd7 7. Qd2 c6 8. Nh3 a6 9. Nf2 b5 10. Be2 c5 11. dc5 Nc5 12. O-O Be6 13. e5 Ne8 14. ed6 Nd6 15. cb5 ab5 16. Nb5 Nb5 17. Qd8 Rfd8 18. Bb5 Rdb8 19. a4 Bb2 20. Rab1 Na4 21. Ba4 Ra4 22. Be7 Ba2 23. Rbd1 f5 24. g3 Bd4 25. Kg2 Re8 26. Rfe1 Bb3 27. Bg5 Rea8 28. Rb1 Bd5 29. Be3 Ba2 30. Rbc1 Bb2 31. Rc2 Bf6 32. Rc6 Bg7 33. Rc7 Bd5 34. Rc5 Bf7 35. Rec1 Be6 36. Rc6 Re8 37. Bb6 Ra3 38. Re1 Bd7 39. Re8+ Be8 40. Rc8 Kf7 (draw).

#### R. Hawkes - R. Stone

1. e4 c5 2. Nc3 Nc6 3. g3 g6 4. Bg2 Bg7 5. d3 d6 6. Bg5 h6 7. Be3 e5 8. Qd2 Nge7 9. Nce2 Rb8 10. c3 Be6 11. f4 ef 12. Nf4 Bd7 13. Nfe2 Ne5 14. Nf3 N7c6 15. Ne5 Ne5 16. O-O Bb5 17. c4 Bc6 18. Rad1 Ng4 19. b4 Ne3 20. Qe3 Qe7 21. b5 Bd7 22. Kh1 h5 23. Nf4 Bd4 24. Qe2 h4 25. g4 h3 26. Bh3 Be5 27. Nd5 Rh3 28. Ne7 Ke7 29. Rf7+ Ke6 30. Rf3 Rh4 31. Rdf1 R8h8 32. R1f2 g5 33. Rf5 Ke7 34. Re5+ de5 35. Qe3 Kd6 36. Qg5 Bg4 37. Qg7 R8h7 38. Qf8+ Kd7 39. Rf7+ Ke6 40. Qe7++ (1-0).

#### G. Taylor - B. Hartman

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 c5 3. Nf3 g6 4. g3 Bg7 5. Bg2 O-0 6. O-O cd4 7. Nd4 Nc6 8. Nc3 Qb6 9. Nb3 d6 10. Bg5 Be6 11. Nd5 Bd5 12. cd5 Ne5 13. Be3 Qa6 14. Bd4 Ned7 15. Qd2 Nb6 16. Rfc1 Rfc8 17. Na5 h5 18. e3 Nc4 19. Nc4 Rc4 20. Rc4 Qc4 21. b3 Qb5 22. Rc1 a5 23. Rc4 a4 24. Qb4 Qb4 25. Rb4 ab3 26. ab3 Ng4 27. Bg7 Kg7 28. Rb7 Ra1+ 29. Bf1 Nh2 30. Kh2 Rf1 31. Kg2 Rb1 32. Re7 Rb3 33. Rd7 Rb6 34. f4 Kf8 35. Kf3 (draw).

#### J. Reeve - R. Hamilton

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 Nf6 4. d3 Ne4 5. Qd5 Nc5 6. Bg5 Be7 7. ed Qd6 8. Nc3 Qe6+ 9. Be2 c6 10. Qd2 O-O 11. O-O-O Nbd7 12. Rhe1 Bg5 13. Ng5 Qf6 14. Bc4 Ne5 15. Re5 Qe5 16. Nf7 Qf6 17. Qf5 Be6 18. Qf6 gf 19. Be6 Ne6 20. Nh6+ Kg7 21. Ng5+ Kg6 22. g4 Rad8 23. Re1 Rfe8 24. Ne2 Nd4 25. Nfd4 Rd4 26. f3 Kf7 27. h4 Rd5 28. h5 Re3 29. f4 Rd4 30. g5 Rf4 31. g6+ hg 32. hg+ Kg7 33. Nf4 Re1+ 34. Kd2 Re4 (O-1).

#### Round 7

(2.5)	R. Hamilton	1 - 0	N. Fullbrook	(4.0)
(3.0)	B. Hartman	1/2 - 1/2	J. Reeve	(2.5)
(3.5)	R. Stone	1 - 0	G. Taylor	(3.0)
(3.5)	I. Ivanov	1 - 0	R. Hawkes	(4.5)
(0.5)	F. Cabanas	0 - 1	D. Ross	(3.0)

As the tournament entered the final third, it seemed to me that almost anyone could win, should

he put together three consecutive wins. The leaders at this point, Hawkes (4.5) and Fullbrook (4.0), however, opened the door for the steady Ray Stone and the charging Igor Ivanov by losing their games this round. In fact Hawkes could only score 1.5 and Nigel fared even worse (2 draws) in their last three games. Ray Stone defeated Gordon Taylor to grab a share of the lead, and Ivanov convincingly put away Rob Hawkes. Francisco Cabanas played one of his best games, but failed to find the mate in his attack and lost in the adjournment to Dave Ross.

Fullbrook fell out of contention by losing a poorly played game to Hamilton. Stone moved back into a tie for first with a powerfully played game against Taylor. Ivanov also reached the top by defeating Hawkes, who finally failed to survive one of his opening misadventures. Cabanas had a good, probably winning position, against Ross, but opened the Kingside prematurely -- surely the N on c1 should be called into action first.

#### R. Hamilton - N. Fullbrook

1. e4 d6 2. d4 Nf6 3. Nc3 g6 4. f4 Bg7 5. Nf3 c5 6. dc Qa5 7. Bd3 Qc5 8. Qe2 Nc6 9. Be3 Qa5 10. O-O O-O 11. Nb5 Ng4 12. Bd2 Qb6+ 13. Kh1 a6 14. Na3 Qb2 15. Nc4 Qa1 16. Ra1 Ba1 17. Nb6 Nd4 18. Qe1 Nf3 19. gf Bd4 20. Na8 Nf2+ 21. Kg2 Bh3+ 22. Kg3 Ra8 23. Bc4 Rc8 24. Bb3 Bd7 25. Be3 Be3 26. Qe3 Nd1 27. Qb6 Bc6 28. Qd4 a5 29. a4 Ba4 30. Qa4 Nc3 31. Qa5 Ne2+ 32. Kf2 Nf4 33. Qb6 Rc5 34. Qd8+ (1-0).

#### B. Hartman - J. Reeve

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. Bb5+ Bd7 4. Bd7+ Qd7 5. O-O Nc6 6. c3 Nf6 7. Re1 e6 8. d4 cd 9. cd d5 10. ed Nd5 11. Ne5 Ne5 12. de Bb4 13. Re4 Rc8 14. Nd2 O-O 15. Nf3 Rfd8 16. h4 Be7 17. Qb3 Nb4 18. Rd4 Qb5 19. Bg5 Rd4 20. Nd4 Qd7 21. Be7 Qe7 22. a3 Nc6 23. Nf3 Rd8 24. Rd1 Rd1+ 25. Qd1 h6 26. b4 a6 27. Qd3 Qc7 28. Qe3 Qd8 29. g4 Qd1+ 30. Kg2 Ne7 31. Qd4 Qd4 32. Nd4 Nd5 33. Kf3 Kf8 34. Ke4 Ke7 35. h5 Kd7 36. f4 Nc7 37. f5 Nb5 38. Nb5 ab 39. f6 g5 40. hg fg 41. Kd4 b6 42. Kc3 Ke8 (draw).

#### R. Stone - G. Taylor

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. Nf3 d5 4. Nc3 c5 5. cd5 Nd5 6. e4 Nc3 7. bc3 cd4 8. cd4 Bb4+ 9. Bd2 Qa5 10. Rb1 Bd2+ 11. Qd2 Qd2+ 12. Kd2 Ke7 13. Be2 b6 14. Rfc1 Bd7 15. d5 Rc8 16. Bc4 Rc5 17. Ne5 Be8 18. f4 Nd7 19. Nd3 Ra5 20. de6 fe6 21. Bb3 Rd8 22. Ke3 e5 23. Rc7 Kd6 24. Rbc1 ef4+ 25. Kf4 g5+ 26. Ke3 Ne5 27. Ne5 Ke5 28. Rh7 Bb5 29. Re7+ Kd6 30. Rg7 Re8 31. Rg5 Re7 32. Rd5+ (1-0).

#### I. Ivanov - R. Hawkes

1. Nf3 g6 2. c4 Bg7 3. e4 c5 4. d4 b6 5. d5 d6 6. Be2 Nf6 7. Nc3 O-O 8. O-O a6 9. Re1 e5 10. de fe 11. e5 de 12. Qd8 Rd8 13. Ne5 Ra7 14. Na4 Nfd7 15. Nd7 Bd7 16. Nb6 Bc6 17. Bg4 Rb7 18. Be6+ Kh8 19. Nd5 Re8 20. Kf1 Ba4 21. Bg4 Re1+ 22. Ke1 Nc6 23. Bd1 Bd1 24. Kd1 Ne5 25. Ne3 Bh6 26. Kc2 Rf7 27. f3 Nc6 28. Nd5 Nd4+ 29. Kd3 Bg7 30. Rb1 Nc6 31. b3 Rb7 32. Bf4 g5 33. Bg5 Ne5+ 34. Kc2 (1-0).

#### F. Cabanas - D. Ross

1. e4 c5 2. Nc3 Nc6 3. g3 g6 4. Bg2 Bg7 5. d3 d6 6. Be3 e6 7. Qd2 Rb8 8. Rb1 Qa5 9. Nf3 b5 10. O-O Nd4 11. a3 Qc7 12. Ne2 Nf3+ 13. Bf3 e5 14. Bg2 Ne7 15. Bh6 O-O 16. Bg7 Kg7 17. f4 f6 18. Rf2 Bg4 19. Rbf1 a5 20. Nc1 Be6 21. f5 Bg8 22. h4 b4 23. g4 gf5 24. ef5 d5 25. g5 Qd6 26. Bh3 Kh8 27. g6 hg6 28. Qh6+ Bh7 29. fg6 Ng6 30. Bf5 Rg8 31. Rg2 Qf8 32. Qh5 Qf7 33. Kh1 Rg7 34. Ne2 Nf8 35. Qf7 Rf7 36. Ng3 ba3 37. ba3 Bf5 38. Nf5 Ne6 39. Nh6 Rff8 40. Rfg1 Rb7 41. Nf5 Rh7 (sealed) 42. Rb1 Nd4 43. Nd4 Rh4+ 44. Kg1 cd4 45. Rb5 e4 46. Rd5 e3 47. Rf5 Re8 48. Kf1 Rh1+ 49. Ke2 Rc8 50. Ra5 Rc2+ 51. Kf3 (O-1).

**Round 8**

(4.0)	N. Fullbrook	1/2 - 1/2	D. Ross	(4.0)
(4.5)	R. Hawkes	1 - 0	F. Cabanas	(0.5)
(3.0)	G. Taylor	0 - 1	I. Ivanov	(4.5)
(3.0)	J. Reeve	0 - 1	R. Stone	(4.5)
(3.5)	R. Hamilton	0 - 1	B. Hartman	(3.5)

So, with two rounds to play, it was still far from obvious who would win, particularly with tiebreak possibilities. A quick check in the Handbook showed that, if it were a two-way tie, a match would take place; but, if more tied, the title would be decided on tiebreaks. Nigel Fullbrook and Dave Ross drew after a long fight and all but eliminated each other's chances, although they remained "mathematically" eligible. Rob Hawkes, Ray Stone and Igor Ivanov all crushed their opponents to move a point ahead of the "pretenders". Brian Hartman won only his second game of the tournament to finally obtain a plus score.

All the leaders won, creating a really exciting finish. Hawkes won from Cabanas, but not without undergoing a few tense moments. Cabanas again played well to achieve a good position but allowed Hawkes' N on a8 to escape and then wasted a crucial tempo with 41. ... Rh5. Reeve-Stone should be studied in conjunction with Fullbrook-Stone from the first round. Reeve never generated any action on the Kingside, while Stone's pieces ran rampant on the Queenside and in the center. Ivanov's opening is reported to be a Dzindzichashvili invention, but Taylor certainly appeared to achieve a good position before going down to defeat. Fullbrook could have repeated moves against Ross with 23. Rb7 etc., but instead traded into a Queen and bishop of opposite color ending where Ross had all the chances. Ross seemed to be making good progress, but the decision to trade Queens was definitely wrong. Hartman got a good position from the opening and won when Hamilton blundered his Queen.

**R. Hawkes - F. Cabanas**

1. e4 d5 2. e5 Nf6 3. c4 c6 4. d4 cd5 5. Nc3 Nc6 6. Bg5 Qa5 7. Qd2 Bf5 8. Bf6 gf6 9. cd5 Nb4 10. Bb5+ Kd8 11. Rc1 h5 12. a3 Bh6 13. f4 Nd5 14. Nd5 Qb5 15. Nc7 Qd3 16. Qd3 Bd3 17. Na8 Bf4 18. Rc3 B4 19. Ne2 Bd6 20. Ng3 Bg2 21. Rg1 Bd5 22. Kf2 Kd7 23. Nf5 Bh2 24. Re1 e6 25. Ne3 Bc6 26. d5 Bb5 27. de6+ fe6 28. Rd1+ Ke7 29. Nc7 Bc6 30. Na6 h4 31. Rc6 bc6 32. Nc5 Bg3+ 33. Kf3 Bd6 34. Ne4 Bb8 35. Nc5 Bd6 36. Ne4 Bb8 37. Rg1 Kf7 38. Ng4 f5 39. Ng5+ Kg6 40. Nf2 Kf6 41. N2h3 Rh5 42. Re1 e5 43. Rc1 e4+ 44. Ke3 Bg3 45. Rc6+ Ke5 46. Rc5+ Kf6 47. Ne4+ Ke7 48. Ke2 Ke6 49. Nhg5+ Ke7 50. Rf5 Bb8 51. Rb5 Bf4 52. Rb7+ Kd8 53. Ne6+ Kc8 54. Nf4 (1-0).

**G. Taylor - I. Ivanov**

1. d4 g6 2. c4 Bg7 3. Nc3 c5 4. d5 Bc3+ 5. bc3 f5 6. h4 Nf6 7. h5 Nh5 8. e4 Nf6 9. ef5 gf5 10. Bg5 Qa5 11. Bf6 ef6 12. Kd2 d6 13. Bd3 Nd7 14. f4 b5 15. cb5 c4 16. Bc4 Nc5 17. Qh5+ Kd8 18. Ne2 Bd7 19. Rhb1 Rc8 20. Rb4 Re8 21. a4 Ne4+ 22. Kd3 Nc3 23. Kc3 Bb5 24. ab5 Qa1+ 25. Kc2 Qa3 (0-1).

**R. Hamilton - B. Hartman**

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 e6 3. d4 cd 4. Nd4 Nf6 5. Bd3 Nc6 6. Be3 d5 7. Nd2 e5 8. Nc6 bc 9. 0-0 h6 10. f3 Be7 11. Kh1 0-0 12. Qe2 Qc7 13. c4 Be6 14. Rac1 Qb7 15. b3 a5 16. f4 Ba3 17. Rc2 de 18. Ne4 Ne4 19. Be4 f5 20. Bf3 e4 21. Bh5 a4 22. Rb1 Qe7 23. Qf2 Rfd8 24. Be2 ab 25. ab Rab8 26. Ra2 Rd7 27. Bd4 Rdb7 28. Qe3 Rd8 29. Bb6 Rdd7 30. g4 fg 31. Qe4 Bd5 (0-1).

**N. Fullbrook - D. Ross**

1. e4 c6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 Bf5 4. Nc3 e6 5. g4 Bg6 6. Nge2 c5 7. Be3 cd 8. Nd4 Bb4 9. f4 Be4 10. Bb5+ Nd7 11. 0-0 Bc3 12. bc a6 13. Bd7+ Qd7 14. f5 Ne7 15. fe fe 16. Rb1 Rc8 17. Rb6 Nc6 18. Qb1 Nd4 19. Bd4 Rf8 20. Rb7 Rf1+ 21. Kf1 Rc7 22. Rb8+ Rc8 23. Rc8+ Qc8 24. Kf2 Kf7 25. Qb6 Kg6 26. Qd6 h6 27. h4 Kh7 28. Kg3 Qc4 29. Qf8 Qa2 30. Qf2 Qc4 31. g5 h5 32. Kf4 Kg6 33. Ke3 Bf5 34. Kd2 Qa2 35. Ke3 a5 36. Qe2 Qb1 37. Kf4 a4 38. Bc5 Qh1 39. Bf2 Qg2 40. Qf3 Qf3 41. Kf3 a3 42. c4 a2 43. Bd4 dc 44. Ba1 Bc2 45. kf4 Kf7 46. Ke3 Bd3 47. Bc3 Ke7 48. Kd4 Kd7 49. Kc5 Kc7 50. Ba1 Kb7 51. Bc3 Ka6 52. Kc6 Bf1 53. Kc5 Be2 54. Kc6 Bf3+ 55. Kc5 Bd5 56. Kb4 Kb6 57. Ka3 Be4 58. Ka2 Kc5 59. Ka3 Bc2 60. Bb2 g6 61. Bc3 Bb3 62. Ba1 Kd5 63. Kb4 Ke4 64. Bc3 Kd3 65. Ba1 Bd1 66. Bc3 Bf3 67. Ba1 Bd5 68. Bc3 Ke3 69. Kc5 Ke4 70. Kb4 Ke3 71. Ka3 Kf4 72. Kb4 (draw).

**J. Reeve - R. Stone**

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 e6 3. d4 cd 4. Nd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 d6 6. Bc4 Be7 7. Be3 0-0 8. Bb3 Na6 9. f3 Nc5 10. Qd2 a6 11. 0-0-0 Bd7 12. g4 b5 13. g5 Ne8 14. h4 b4 15. Nce2 a5 16. h5 Qc8 17. g6 a4 18. Bc4 Ne4 19. fe Qc4 20. Kb1 Bf6 21. Rdf1 e5 22. b3 ab 23. cb Qa6 24. gh7+ Kh7 25. Nf5 Bb5 26. N5g3 d5 27. Bc5 Bd3+ 28. Ka1 Bg5 29. Qb2 Nd6 30. Bd6 Qd6 31. Nf5 Qa6 32. Rfg1 f6 33. Rh2 Rfc8 34. Ng3 de 35. Ng7 Kg7 36. Nf5+ Kh7 37. Ne7 Qa7 (0-1).

**Round 9**

(4.5)	B. Hartman	1/2 - 1/2	N. Fullbrook	(4.5)
(5.5)	R. Stone	1 - 0	R. Hamilton	(3.5)
(5.5)	I. Ivanov	1 - 0	J. Reeve	(3.0)
(0.5)	F. Cabanas	0 - 1	G. Taylor	(3.0)
(4.5)	D. Ross	1/2 - 1/2	R. Hawkes	(5.5)

A five-way tie for first? Not impossible, but unlikely. This served to promote interest in the last round of this highly competitive event. A lot of the suspense dissipated very early, as Rob Hawkes and Dave Ross drew in only twenty minutes. Local spectators had high hopes this would be the most interesting game, as an Albertan had excellent chances to become Canadian Champion! But it was not to be as Ray Stone and Igor Ivanov both won to finish half a point ahead of Calgarian Rob Hawkes. The attention then focused on Brian Hartman and Nigel Fullbrook as they battled for clear fourth place. After six hours they called it even and settled into a tie with Dave Ross.

Hawkes, Ivanov and Stone all entered the last round with 5.5 points -- in the event of all winning, Hawkes would take the title on tiebreak. That possibility was quickly removed, much to the dismay of the Alberta fans. It is surprising that Hawkes would choose the 4. ... Nc6 line knowing that White can draw at will. With so much to gain and so little to lose -- as it turned out, even had he lost, Hawkes would have been clear third -- more of a fight was expected. Ivanov quickly took care of Reeve's King's Indian, but in a puzzling game. Black's decision to win the two rooks for the Queen was suicidal, as the game shows, but, if 18. ... Qc4 instead, doesn't Black stand well? Ray Stone soon joined Ivanov in first by dispatching Hamilton. Cabanas blundered a pawn to Taylor right in the opening, and that was enough. Hartman-Fullbrook was good value for the money, featuring lots of action, including an underpromotion (without which no tournament is truly a success). Fullbrook seemed to be barely holding on out of the opening, but hold on he did. This was the final game to finish in both tournaments, and the playing hall was being cleaned by the time Hartman abandoned his efforts to achieve a clear fourth place and agreed to the draw.

**I. Ivanov - J. Reeve**

1. Nf3 Nf6 2. c4 g6 3. Nc3 Bg7 4. e4 d6 5. d4 0-0  
6. Be2 e5 7. Be3 Nbd7 8. 0-0 Qe7 9. Bg5 h6 10. Bh4  
g5 11. Bg3 c6 12. Re1 Nh5 13. de de 14. Be5 Ne5  
15. Ne5 Be5 16. Bh5 Be6 17. Qe2 Qb4 18. Bg4 Bg4  
19. Qg4 Qb2 20. Ne2 Qa1 21. Ra1 Ba1 22. h4 f6 23.  
Ng3 Rad8 24. Nf5 Kf7 25. Nh6+ Kg6 26. Nf5 Rh8 27.  
f4 (1-0).

**F. Cabanas - G. Taylor**

1. e4 c5 2. Nc3 e6 3. d3 d5 4. Bf4 Nf6 5. Nf3 Be7  
6. e5 Nfd7 7. g3 g5 8. Bd2 g4 9. Ng1 Ne5 10. Bf4  
Nbc6 11. Qe2 Ng6 12. 0-0-0 e5 13. Bh6 Nd4 14. Qe1  
Nf5 15. Bd2 Be6 16. h3 gh3 17. Nh3 Qd7 18. f4 ef4  
19. Nf4 Nf4 20. Bf4 0-0-0 21. Bh3 Bd6 22. Qf2 Bf4+  
23. Qf4 Qc7 24. Qc7+ Kc7 25. Bf5 Bf5 26. Rdf1 Be6  
27. Rh6 Rdg8 28. Ne2 Rg7 29. Rff6 Kd7 30. c3 Re8  
31. d4 b6 32. Kd2 Rg6 33. b4 cb4 34. cb4 Ke7 35.  
Rfg6 hg6 36. Nf4 Rc8 37. Nd3 Rc4 38. Ke3 Rc3 39.  
Kd2 Ra3 40. Rh8 Ra2+ 41. Ke3 Ra3 42. Kd2 Kf6 43.  
Ra8 Kf5 44. Ne5 a5 45. ba5 ba5 46. g4+ Ke4 47. Ra7  
Kd4 48. Nf7 Bg4 49. Nd6 Ra2+ 50. Kc1 Bf5 (0-1).

**D. Ross - R. Hawkes**

1. d4 g6 2. c4 Bg7 3. e4 d6 4. Nc3 Nc6 5. d5 Nd4  
6. Be3 c5 7. Nge2 Qb6 8. Nd4 cd4 9. Na4 Qa5+ 10.  
b4 (draw).

**B. Hartman - N. Fullbrook**

1. e4 Nf6 2. e5 Nd5 3. d4 d6 4. Nf3 g6 5. Bc4 Nb6  
6. Bb3 Bg7 7. Ng5 0-0 8. e6 Nc6 9. ef+ Kh8 10. c3  
e5 11. h4 h5 12. d5 Na5 13. Bc2 Qf6 14. 0-0 c6 15.  
dc d5 16. c7 Be6 17. f4 e4 18. Be3 Bf7 19. Bc5  
Rfc8 20. Na3 Rc7 21. Bd4 Qf5 22. Nb5 Rd7 23. Nf7+  
Qf7 24. f5 Nbc4 25. b3 Nd6 26. Bg7+Qg7 27. Nd6 Rd6  
28. Be4 Qc3 29. Bc2 Rf8 30. Rc1 Nc6 31. fg Rf1+  
32. Kf1 Rf6+ 33. Kg1 Qe3+ 34. Kh1 Kg7 35. Qe1 Qf4  
36. Bd3 Kh6 37. Rc2 Ne5 38. g7 Nd3 39. g8(N)+ Kg6  
40. Qe8+ Kg7 41. Nf6 Qh4+ 42. Kg1 Qd4+ 43. Kf1  
Qf6+ 44. Ke2 Nf4+ 45. Ke1 Qa1+ 46. Kf2 Qd4+ 47.  
Kf3 Qd3+ 48. Kf4 Qc2 49. Qe5+ Kf8 50. Qb8+ Ke7 51.  
Qb7+ Kd6 52. Qb8+ Kd7 53. Qa7+ Kd6 54. Qb6+ Kd7  
55. Qb5+ Kd6 56. Qb4+ Kd7 57. Ke5 Qe2+ 58. Kd5  
Qg2+ 59. Qe4 Qa2 60. Qe6+ Kc7 61. Qe7+ Kb6 62.  
Qd6+ Kb7 63. Qd7+ Kb6 64. Qc6+ Ka7 65. Qc7+ Ka6  
66. Qc4+ Kb6 67. Qd4+ Kb7 68. Qb4+ Ka6 69. Qc4+  
Kb6 70. Qc5+ Kb7 (draw).

**R. Stone - R. Hamilton**

1. d4 d5 2. c4 dc 3. e4 e5 4. Nf3 c5 5. d5 Bd6 6.  
Nfd2 Ne7 7. Nc4 0-0 8. Nc3 Na6 9. g3 Nc7 10. a4 b6  
11. Bg2 Ba6 12. b3 Bc4 13. bc a5 14. 0-0 Na6 15.  
Nb5 Nb4 16. f4 f6 17. Bh3 g6 18. Ra3 Kg7 19. Raf3  
Ng8 20. Bb2 Qe7 21. Be6 Nh6 22. g4 g5 23. Nd6 Qd6  
24. fe fe 25. Qd2 Kg6 26. Qc3 Rf3 27. Qf3 (1-0).

**Notes and Comments -- D. Johansen**

The tournament was very smooth, and totally devoid of the controversy which seems to have followed the Canadian Championships in past years. I received thank you's and words of appreciation from almost all players, and a number of others as well. Perhaps the best compliment was paid by several gentlemen from Winnipeg, as they asked for my advice, and hints on what types of pitfalls to avoid as Winnipeg considers hosting the Canadian Open and Closed next year. I wish them all the success of this year.

The decision to organize and direct this type of event was not made lightly, and I hope that anyone who undertakes it in the future will give this event the time and effort it both needs and deserves. As the last chess set was hauled out to my car, I thought "I'm glad it's over", but then the next thought was "I think I would like to do something like this again sometime... but not for a couple of years." (No I really don't need to be "put away".)

I would like to thank the players for participating, especially those who came from out

of town, as far away as Montreal, Ottawa, Connecticut, Philadelphia, Idaho, Vancouver Island, and Fort MacMurray. Thanks to all for being such good sports, good chessplayers, and enjoying the event I worked so hard on these last eighteen months. It was worth it to see you all have such a great tournament, and to meet many of you. I hope to see you again sometime soon.

I would like to express appreciation on behalf of the ACA to those who contributed financially: Alberta Parks and Recreation, through their Hosting Grant; Alberta Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation; the Chess Federation of Canada; and the Edmonton Chess Club; as well as all those who contributed privately through book and equipment sales and donations. Also, my personal thanks to the Directors of the ACA, who gave their authorization for the ACA to act as official hosts for the event and to contribute financially.

Special thanks to those who billeted players, and helped out in other ways. Ford Wong, who billeted two real "chess nuts", and was there early to help set up, and was the last to leave, helping me clean up. And also to Darse Billings (my co-director for the Open), who did most of the work for the Open and allowed me time to eat and sleep (even TD's need to do that). And last but not least, Leonard Steele and Ian Loadman, who prepared this special Alberta Chess Report so you could read all about it.

Notes: there were 28 decisive games, with White winning 17, and White scored 25/45 overall. Coincidentally (or not), the top 3 finishers did their best work with White -- Ivanov and Stone were 3.5-0.5 with White and Hawkes was 4.5-0.5 when he had the first move. Most wins: Stone, Ivanov and Hawkes - 5. Fewest losses: Stone, Ivanov, Hartman and Ross - 1. Most draws: Hartman and Ross - 6.

**Overall Summary -- Ian Loadman**

The title of Canadian Champion will be decided by a playoff match between Ray Stone and Igor Ivanov. Stone's result was a real success for him -- he played good chess and fully deserved his share of first. We look forward to seeing Ray in action in next year's Closed. For Ivanov, shared first place is somewhat below expectations. There is no doubt that he was the class of the field and must have been handicapped, at least in the first half of the Closed, by his participation in the Open.

It is impossible to discuss the tournament without some mention of the participation of Ivanov and Hartman in both the Closed and the Open. As already mentioned, Ivanov's play in the closed suffered; and, so it would seem, did Hartman's. When faced with the requests of Ivanov and Hartman to play in the Open as well as in the Closed, the organizers felt that, as there seems to be no rule against it, they were obliged to acquiesce. No doubt it detracts somewhat from the stature of the Closed to have its two highest rated players competing in another tournament at the same time. One also wonders what effect this had on the other players in the Closed, although most expressed pleasure that they would not receive Ivanov's and Hartman's full attention. Nevertheless, it can't help but create some element of doubt in their minds. None of this should be taken as direct criticism of either Ivanov or Hartman -- both make their living playing chess and, from a financial point of view, taking part in both tournaments made sense. For sharing first place in the Open, Ivanov and Hartman each won \$675 more than either would have made by winning the Closed. Perhaps this simply underlines the fact that, without a reasonable prize fund, the "status" of the Closed is not, by itself, enough to attract the best players. With



next year's Closed being a zonal tournament, the CFC may well take action to ensure that no one plays in both the Closed and the Open again. It is to be hoped that in doing so they do not forget to address the underlying problem of an adequate prize fund.

Rob Hawkes was pleased with his third place finish and, indeed, it represents a very good result for him. Rob took a lot of good natured abuse from various people (including us) about his good luck but, in seriousness, we must note that his score was the result of his ability to play good moves even in bad positions, not of luck. Rob has taken part in the last three Closeds, with better results each time, and we in Alberta hope for a continuation of this trend next year.

Finally, it should be noted that this was the first Canadian Closed in recent years which has been held in other than a zonal year (when it has to be held). Credit for this achievement must go to David Johansen, who organized and directed.

1985 Canadian Open

As you are aware from the Canadian Closed report, the Closed and the Open were held simultaneously at the Edmonton Convention Centre. Contributing to the "simul-hood" of the two major events was the participation of Igor Ivanov and Brian Hartman in both of them. Playing two tournament games at the same time did not prevent Hartman and Ivanov from leading the pack in the Open by a full point and sharing first place, with Hartman getting the trophy on tiebreak (Brian also took the Open Speed Chess Championship).

Tied for 3rd-6th with 7.5 scores were Stephen Ball (Top Expert; Stephen still lists himself as an Albertan but is living in Ottawa, where he produces En Passant and carries out numerous CFC duties), Andrew Zissos (Calgary), Lionel Joyner (B.C.) and Ian Loadman (Edmonton). Top Junior was K. Gentes, one of four players with 7-3 scores. G. Buckendorf took Top A and led the group which scored 6.5-3.5. F. McFaul (Calgary) grabbed Top B, while R. Trost was Top C, M. Bayle took Top D and T. Karpa was Top Unrated.

We have included with this report the game scores for boards 1-4 in rounds 8-10 of the Open.

(We regret that this report is so short. We waited 3 weeks after the Open ended, then went ahead with the issue without further delay. By that time we hadn't received a report from the principal Tournament Director. Thus, the Canadian Open joins the Calgary Qualifier to the Canadian Closed as an important event not reported by the TD directly to Alberta's chessplayers through the ACR. However, thanks go to David Johansen, who was occupied most of the time with the Closed, for providing an original crosstable. We then produced the tiebroken version. David also gave us a computer disk with most of the Closed games and some of his comments. Ian Loadman must be acknowledged for checking over all the games [a big job] and providing games which David did not have, plus including his own notes to each round of the Closed.)

Igor Ivanov - Brian Hartman

Board 1, Round 8

1. Nf3 c5 2. c4 Nf6 3. Nc3 g6 4. e4 d6 5. d4 cd 6. Nd4 Bg7 7. Be2 0-0 8. 0-0 Bc6 9. Be3 a6 10. f4 Bd7 11. Rc1 Rc8 12. b3 Qa5 13. a4 Rfe8 14. Kh1 e5 15. fe Qe5 16. Nf3 Qa5 17. Nd2 Nb4 18. Bd4 Qd8 19. a5 Bc6 20. Bb6 Qe7 21. Bf3 Nd3 22. Rb1 Nd7 (draw).

Robert Chow - J. Bolton

Board 2, Round 8

1. d4 e6 2. c4 d5 3. Nc3 Nf6 4. Bg5 Nbd7 5. cd ed 6. e3 c6 7. Bd3 Bb4 8. Nge2 h6 9. Bh4 0-0 10. 0-0 Qc7 11. Rc1 Re8 12. a3 Bf8 13. Qc2 Qd6 14. Bg3 Qe7

15. Rce1 Ne4 16. Bf4 g5 17. Bg3 Ndf6 18. f3 Ng3 19. Ng3 Be6 20. e4 Qd8 21. e5 Nd7 22. f4 gf 23. Rf4 c5 24. Bf5 cd 25. Be6 Re6 26. Qf5 Qe8 27. Nd5 Rc8 28. Nh5 Bg7 29. Rg4 Rg6 30. e6 Kh8 31. Ng7 Kg7 32. Rg6+ fg 33. Qe4 Nf6 34. Qe5 Qd8 35. Rf1 Qd5 36. Qf6+ Kh7 37. Qf7+ Kh8 38. Qg6 Qg5 39. Qg5 hg 40. e7 Kg7 41. Rf8 Rf8 42. ef=Q+ Kf8 43. Kf2 Ke7 44. Kf3 Kd6 45. Ke4 Kc5 46. Kd3 b5 47. b4+ Kd5 48. h3 Ke5 49. g3 Kd5 50. h4 g4 51. h5 Ke5 52. h6 Kf6 53. Kd4 Kg6 54. Ke5 Kh6 55. Kf5 Kh5 56. Kf4 Kh6 57. Kg4 Kg6 58. Kf4 Kf6 59. g4 Kg6 60. g5 Kg7 61. Kf5 Kf7 62. Ke5 Kg6 63. Kd5 (1-0).

Stephen Ball - Lionel Joyner

Board 3, Round 8

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. Nc3 Bb4 4. e3 0-0 5. Bd3 d5 6. Nf3 dc 7. Bc4 Nc6 8. 0-0 Bd6 9. e4 e5 10. d5 Ne7 11. Qc2 a6 12. a4 Ng6 13. Ne1 Nf4 14. Nd3 g5 15. Kh1 Qd7 16. f3 Kh8 17. g3 Nh3 18. b3 Nh5 19. Bb2 f6 20. b4 Qg7 21. b5 Rg8 22. Ne2 ab 23. Bb5 Qh6 24. g4 N5f4 25. Ng3 Qh4 26. Ba3 Nd3 27. Qd3 Nf4 28. Qc2 Ba3 29. Ra3 h5 30. Qc7 hg 31. Qe7 Qh3 32. Qf6+ Kh7 33. Rf2 gf 34. Rc3 Rg7 35. Rcf3 Bg4 36. Rc3 Rag8 37. Qe5 Ng6 38. Qd4 Nh4 39. Bf1 (1-0).

Rob South - Chris Demers

Board 4, Round 8

1. Nf3 c5 2. c4 Nf6 3. g3 d5 4. cd Nd5 5. Bg2 Nc6 6. 0-0 e5 7. Nc3 Be6 8. Ng5 Nc3 9. dc Bg4 10. Qa4 Qc8 11. Bd5 Bh5 12. f4 Qd7 13. Rd1 0-0-0 14. Be6 fe 15. Rd7 Rd7 16. Ne6 Be2 17. Be3 e4 18. Bc5 Bc5+ 19. Nc5 Re7 20. Re1 Bf3 21. Qb5 e3 22. Re3 Nd4 23. Qe3 (1-0).

Brian Hartman - Abe Yanofsky

Board 1, Round 9

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. Nd2 c5 4. Ngf3 Nc6 5. ed ed 6. Bb5 Bd6 7. 0-0 cd 8. Nb3 Nge7 9. Bg5 0-0 10. Nbd4 Qc7 11. h3 Ng6 12. Bd3 a6 13. Re1 Qb6 14. Nb3 Be6 15. Be3 Qc7 16. Bc5 Nce5 17. Ne5 Bc5 18. Nc5 Qc5 19. Qd2 Rfe8 20. c3 Rad8 21. Nf3 Bd7 22. Rad1 Re1+ 23. Re1 Re8 24. Re8+ Be8 25. Bc2 Bc6 26. Qe3 Qd6 27. Nd4 Bd7 28. Qg5 Bc6 29. Nf5 Qc7 30. Qg3 Qg3 31. Ng3 Ne5 32. b3 Bb5 33. f4 Ng6 34. Bg6 hg 35. Kf2 Kf8 36. Ke3 Ke7 37. Kd4 Kd6 38. a4 Bd7 39. a5 Bb5 40. h4 f6 41. Nh1 Bf1 42. g3 Be2 43. Nf2 Kc6 44. b4 Kd6 45. Ke3 Bb5 46. Ng4 Bd7 47. Nh2 Bb5 48. Nf3 Bd7 49. Kd4 Bg4 50. Ne1 Bf5 51. Ng2 Be6 52. Ne3 Kc6 53. Nf1 Bg4 54. Ne3 Be6 55. g4 Kd6 56. g5 Kc6 57. Nd1 Kd6 58. Nf2 Bf5 59. Nh1 Be6 60. Ng3 Bg4 61. gf gf 62. Nf1 Bh3 63. Ne3 Be6 64. f5 gf 65. Ng2 Bg8 66. Nf4 (1-0).

Igor Ivanov - Stephen Ball

Board 2, Round 9

1. Nf3 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. d4 d5 4. Bg5 Be7 5. Nc3 0-0 6. e3 h6 7. Bh4 b6 8. Be2 Bb7 9. Bf6 Bf6 10. cd ed 11. b4 c5 12. bc bc 13. Rb1 Rc6 14. 0-0 Nd7 15. Bb5 Qc7 16. Qc2 Rfc8 17. Rfc1 c4 18. Bc6 Qc6 19. Rb5 Nb6 20. Rcb1 Rd8 21. h4 Qe6 22. g3 Rd6 23. a4 a6 24. R5b4 Re8 25. Kg2 Nd7 26. Rb7 Bd8 27. Ra7 g6 28. Rbb7 f5 29. Ne2 g5 30. hg hg 31. g4 f4 32. Ne5 Re7 33. ef Ne5 34. fe Qg4+ 35. Ng3 Rb7 36. Rb7 Rh6 37. Rb8 Qd7 38. Qf5 (1-0).

Robert South - Robert Chow

Board 3, Round 9

1. c4 e5 2. Nc3 Nf6 3. Nf3 Nc6 4. e3 Bb4 5. Be2 0-0 6. 0-0 e4 7. Nd4 Re8 8. Nc2 Bc3 9. bc d6 10. f3 ef 11. gf Bh3 12. Rf2 d5 13. d4 Na5 14. cd Nd5 15. Bd2 Nb6 16. e4 Nac4 17. Ne3 Nd2 18. Qd2 c6 19. Kh1 Re6 20. Rg1 Qh4 21. Bd3 Rae8 22. Rg3 Rg6 23. Rg6 hg 24. Bf1 Bf1 25. Rf1 Qh3 26. Qe2 Nd5 27. Nd5 cd 28. Rc1 Qe6 29. Re1 Qc6 30. Qd3 Rc8 31. Re3 Qe6 32. Qb5 de 33. fe b6 34. Qe2 Qc6 35. d5 Qd6 36. Qd3 Re8 37. e5 Qd7 38. c4 Rd8 39. Qe2 b5 40. e6 fe 41. Re6 bc 42. Qc4 Qd5 43. Qd5 Rd5 44. Ra6 (draw).

NAME	RATING	RD1	RD2	RD3	RD4	RD5	RD6	RD7	RD8	RD9	RD10	POINTS
1 B. HARTMAN	2397	+23	+14	+27	+15	= 7	+ 8	+ 3	= 2	+10	= 4	8.5
2 I. IVANOV	2571	+29	+51	-19	+54	+13	+ 4	+ 9	= 1	+ 3	+ 8	8.5
3 S. BALL	2197	=27	+21	+53	+38	+ 6	+ 7	- 1	+ 5	- 2	+13	7.5
4 A. ZISSOS	2131	+31	-27	+69	+52	+21	- 2	+24	+ 9	+12	= 1	7.5
5 L. JOYNER	2401	-22	+11	+57	+44	+19	=28	+51	- 3	+30	+ 7	7.5
6 I. LOADMAN	2143	=38	+16	+66	+73	- 3	+30	-28	+29	+27	+14	7.5
7 R. SOUTH	2226	+63	+18	+39	+ 9	= 1	- 3	+29	+28	= 8	- 5	7.0
8 R. CHOW	2216	+28	+22	+60	+19	=10	- 1	+27	+12	= 7	- 2	7.0
9 K. GENTES	2050	+11	+43	+35	- 7	+53	+10	- 2	- 4	+21	+20	7.0
10 D. YANOFISKY	2420	=20	+26	+64	+17	= 8	- 9	+21	+23	- 1	+24	7.0
11 G. BUCKENDORF	1807	- 9	- 5	+59	+37	+60	=15	+19	+26	-14	+40	6.5
12 J. BOLTON	2419	+40	-19	+49	+34	+20	=51	+16	- 8	- 4	+30	6.5
13 D. KIRTON	2081	+33	+48	=73	+50	- 2	-29	+22	+16	+28	- 3	6.5
14 T. TAYLOR	1960	+24	- 1	+75	=39	+38	-27	+41	+31	+11	- 6	6.5
15 D. EISEN	2075	+48	+52	+61	- 1	-28	=11	=38	=50	+31	+23	6.5
16 H. BRODIE	1948	=34	- 6	+77	+56	+50	+32	-12	-13	+54	+27	6.5
17 G. SHVARTS BURD	2011	=54	+30	+32	-10	-27	-39	+73	+41	+38	+29	6.5
18 J. BASER	1955	+62	- 7	=46	+84	=41	+42	=31	-27	+50	+28	6.5
19 R. GARDNER	1973	+42	+12	+ 2	- 8	- 5	=34	-11	+46	+56	=22	6.0
20 S. PUREWAL	1919	=10	=34	+36	+60	-12	-24	+32	+45	+48	- 9	6.0
21 B. TOTH	1903	+91	- 3	+65	+35	- 4	+44	-10	+52	- 9	+43	6.0
22 B. BOSENIUS	1909	+ 5	- 8	=68	+66	-32	+47	-13	+34	+53	=19	6.0
23 E. CAMPOS	1906	- 1	+24	+78	-61	+57	+45	+33	-10	+42	-15	6.0
24 F. MCFAUL	1755	-14	-23	+87	+90	+84	+20	- 4	+40	+33	-10	6.0
25 A. KUTI	1615	+58	+36	-51	-31	-33	+67	+62	-48	+55	+42	6.0
26 PHOENIX (COMPUTER)	1964	=50	-10	-43	+83	+36	+61	=54	-11	+39	+44	6.0
27 B. RASMUSSEN	1848	= 3	+ 4	- 1	+88	+17	+14	- 8	+18	- 6	-16	5.5
28 C. DEMERS	1878	- 8	+71	+90	+64	+15	= 5	+ 6	- 7	-13	-18	5.5
29 R. DOUZIECH	1919	- 2	=41	+83	+46	+73	+13	- 7	- 6	+32	-17	5.5
30 J. TURINGAN	1921	=45	-17	+58	+47	+39	- 6	+34	+51	- 5	-12	5.5
31 F. VESZELY	1842	- 4	-44	+74	+25	+69	+52	=18	-14	-15	+56	5.5
32 R. TROST	1424	+44	=47	-17	+63	+22	-16	-20	+62	-29	+52	5.5
33 B. KNUDSKOV	1812	-13	-49	+85	+75	+25	+53	-23	+39	-24	=36	5.5
34 G. BARNES	1711	=16	=20	+67	-12	+70	=19	-30	-22	+64	x+53	5.5
35 S. TULI	1488	+79	+70	- 9	-21	-54	+63	+43	-42	+45	=38	5.5
36 T. SHAW	1460	+86	-25	-20	BYE	-26	+79	=47	+49	+63	=33	5.5
37 R. ESCHBACH	1456	+71	-39	-40	-11	x-49	+85	+67	+57	=52	+50	5.5
38 O. DRAVNIKS	1845	= 6	+45	+88	- 3	-14	+46	=15	=56	-17	=35	5.0
39 T. FLEMING	1614	+83	+37	- 7	=14	-30	+17	=40	-33	-26	+67	5.0
40 J. CURRIE	1910	-12	+42	+37	-53	+43	=41	=39	-24	+47	-11	5.0
41 A. JONES	1800	-51	=29	+72	+68	=18	=40	-14	-17	=46	+60	5.0
42 V. SKABEIKIS	1771	-19	-40	+89	+65	+64	-18	+57	+35	-23	-25	5.0
43 P. BURGESS	1644	+78	- 9	+26	-51	-40	+55	-35	+73	+68	-21	5.0
44 V. GIBSON	1680	-32	+31	+80	- 5	+79	-21	-53	+61	+60	-26	5.0
45 R. HARTFEIL	1708	=30	-38	+70	=79	+55	-23	+60	-20	-35	+66	5.0
46 R. BARRON	1556	-84	+87	=18	-29	+58	-38	+78	-19	=41	+62	5.0
47 G. USTINA	1587	+82	=32	-50	-30	+88	-22	=36	+77	-40	+65	5.0
48 B. CHUBAK	1809	-15	-13	-84	+82	+74	+64	+49	+25	-20	---	5.0
49 J. VANDENBERG	1644	-55	+33	-12	-67	x+37	+65	-48	-36	+77	+68	5.0
50 D. BURGESS	1757	=26	+77	+47	-13	-16	=66	+69	=15	-18	-37	4.5
51 B. WILLIS	1983	+41	- 2	+25	+43	+61	=12	- 5	-30	---	---	4.5
52 S. QUICKFALL	1680	+68	-15	+81	- 4	+67	-31	+44	-21	=37	-32	4.5
53 M. SACKS	1540	+89	+65	- 3	+40	- 9	-33	+64	=54	-22	x-34	4.5
54 D. LEFLAR	1801	=17	+56	BYE	- 2	+35	BYE	=26	=53	-16	---	4.5
55 M. BAYLE	1392	+49	-60	=63	BYE	-45	-43	+72	+75	-25	=57	4.5
56 F. WONG	1652	=77	-54	+76	-16	+78	=73	+61	=38	-19	-31	4.5
57 AWIT (COMPUTER)	1636	x-65	+82	- 5	+80	-23	+84	-42	-37	+78	=55	4.5
58 K. HARDER	1357	-25	BYE	-30	+86	-46	=77	+71	-60	=74	+73	4.5
59 T. KARPA	UNR.	-60	-69	-11	-62	+89	-71	=85	+86	+83	+74	4.5
60 R. LOWEN	1587	+59	+55	- 8	-20	-11	+80	-45	+58	-44	-41	4.0
61 S. BONDAR	1519	+67	+90	-15	+23	-51	-26	-56	-44	-62	+80	4.0
62 H. BUDAI	1717	-18	-63	-79	+59	+85	+68	-25	-32	+61	-46	4.0
63 J. LOZINSKI	1894	- 7	+62	=55	-32	=68	-35	+65	+66	-36	---	4.0
64 P. STOCKHAUSEN	1484	+76	+81	-10	-28	-42	-48	+70	+83	-34	=71	4.0
65 J. MEAD	1388	x+57	-53	-21	-42	+71	-49	-63	+72	+69	-47	4.0
66 T. ALLEN	1522	+87	=88	- 6	-22	+72	=50	-52	-63	+70	-45	4.0
67 S. PANTELUK	UNR.	-61	+74	-34	+49	-52	-25	-37	+79	+75	-39	4.0
68 N. HAMANISHI	1418	-52	+72	=22	-41	=63	-62	+80	+69	-43	-49	4.0
69 D. ROBERTS	1620	-88	+59	- 4	+81	-31	+70	-50	-68	-65	+76	4.0
70 B. NEUFELD	UNR.	+74	-35	-45	+71	-34	-69	=64	=78	-66	+77	4.0
71 M. FEITH	1700	-37	-28	+86	-70	-65	+59	-58	+76	=73	=64	4.0
72 R. WEISE	1295	BYE	-68	-41	+77	-66	=88	-55	-65	+87	+78	4.0

NAME	RATING	RD1	RD2	RD3	RD4	RD5	RD6	RD7	RD8	RD9	RD10	POINTS
73 J. KEIL	1497	+80	+84	=13	- 6	-29	=56	-17	-43	=71	-58	3.5
74 C. SMITH	1520	-70	-67	-31	+87	-48	-81	+86	+80	=58	-59	3.5
75 W. WEEKS	1247	-90	+89	-14	-33	-80	+86	=84	-55	-67	+79	3.5
76 M. SEKULOFF	1235	-64	=83	-56	-78	-77	+89	+81	-71	+85	-69	3.5
77 P. JACHOWICZ	1403	=56	-50	-16	-72	+76	=58	+79	-47	-49	-70	3.0
78 B. BELL	1393	-43	=79	-23	+76	-56	+83	-46	=70	-57	-72	3.0
79 B. MCDONALD	1281	-35	=78	+62	=45	-44	-36	-77	-67	+82	-75	3.0
80 E. RABICK	UNR.	-73	+85	-44	-57	+75	-60	-68	-74	+81	-61	3.0
81 P. SOWDEN	1120	+85	-64	-52	-69	-83	+74	-76	=82	-80	BYE	3.0
82 W. EGAN	UNR.	-47	-57	BYE	-48	-86	-87	+89	=81	-79	+85	3.0
83 T. ASQUITH	UNR.	-39	=76	-29	-26	+81	-78	+87	-64	-59	-89	2.5
84 P. LANGOIS	UNR.	+46	-73	+48	-18	-24	-57	+75	---	---	---	2.5
85 H. LEE	1450	-81	-80	-33	+89	-62	-37	=59	+87	-76	-82	2.5
86 R. MCDONALD	1194	-36	BYE	-71	-58	+82	-75	-74	-59	+89	-87	2.5
87 K. MCCALLUM	UNR.	-66	-46	-24	-74	BYE	+82	-83	-85	-72	+86	2.5
88 F. FLAMEN	1373	+69	=66	-38	-27	-47	=72	---	---	---	---	2.0
89 C. MCCALLUM	UNR.	-53	-75	-42	-85	-59	-76	-82	BYE	-86	+83	1.5
90 J. DAVIS	UNR.	+75	-61	-28	-24	---	---	---	---	---	---	1.0
91 J. SCHAEFFER	2233	-21	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	.0

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NUMBER OF PLAYERS IN EACH RATING CLASS

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ABOVE 2199	2000 -2199	1800 -1999	1600 -1799	1400 -1599			
8	7	23	16	16	11		10

AVERAGE RATING OF 81 RATED PLAYERS: 1755  
MEDIAN RATING OF 81 RATED PLAYERS: 1755

Andrew Zissos - J. Bolton  
Board 4, Round 9

1. Nf3 d5 2. g3 c6 3. Bg2 Nd7 4. d4 f6 5. Nbd2 e5  
6. e4 Bd6 7. 0-0 Ne7 8. c4 0-0 9. ed cd 10. cd Nb6  
11. de Be5 12. Ne5 fe 13. Qb3 Ned5 14. Ne4 Be6 15.  
Ng5 Qf6 16. Ne6 Qe6 17. Be3 Qf7 18. Bc5 Rfd8 19.  
Rfe1 Rac8 20. Bb6 Nb6 21. Qf7+ Kf7 22. Re5 Rd2 23.  
Ra5 Rcc2 24. Ra7 Rb2 25. Rb7+ Kf6 26. Rc1 Rf2 27.  
Rb6+ Rb6 28. Kf2 Rb2+ 29. Kf3 Ra2 30. h4 h6 31.  
Rc6+ Kf7 32. Bf1 Ra3+ 33. Kg4 Ra4+ 34. Kh3 Rd4 35.  
h5 Ke7 36. Bg2 Kf7 37. Rc5 Ke6 38. Rc6+ Kf7 39.  
Rg6 Kf8 40. Rg4 Rd8 41. Be4 Rb8 42. Bg6 Rd8 43.  
Rf4+ Kg8 44. Kg4 Rb8 45. Be4 Rd8 46. Rf5 Rd5 47.  
Kf3 Rd8 48. Bd5+ Kh7 49. Re5 Kh8 50. Bf7 Kh7 51.  
Bg6+ Kg8 52. Re8+ Re8 53. Be8 Kf8 54. Bg6 Ke7 55.  
Ke4 Kf6 56. g4 Ke6 57. Bf5+ Kf6 58. Kd5 Ke7 59.  
Kc6 Kd8 60. Kd6 Ke8 61. Bg6+ Kf8 62. Ke6 Kg8 63.  
Ke7 Kh8 64. Bf7 (1-0).

Andrew Zissos - Brian Hartman  
Board 1, Round 10

1. Nf3 Nf6 2. c4 c5 3. g3 g6 4. Bg2 Bg7 5. 0-0 0-0  
6. d4 cd 7. Nd4 Nc6 8. Nc3 Nd4 9. Qd4 d6 10. Qd3  
Ng4 (draw).

Robert Chow - Igor Ivanov  
Board 2, Round 10

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 c5 3. d5 b5 4. Nf3 g6 5. Qc2 Bg7  
6. e4 0-0 7. cb a6 8. Nc3 d6 9. Bc4 Nbd7 10. 0-0  
Nb6 11. Be2 ab 12. Bb5 Ba6 13. Ba6 Ra6 14. Re1 Qd7  
15. b3 Rfa8 16. Bb2 Ne8 17. Nd2 Nc7 18. a4 e6 19.  
Rad1 Rb8 20. de Ne6 21. Nb5 Bb2 22. Qb2 Na4 23. ba  
Ra4 24. Nf3 Rb5 25. Qf6 Qb7 26. Rd6 Re4 27. Red1  
Rb1 28. h3 Rd4 29. Rd4 Nd4 30. Rb1 Qb1+ 31. Kh2  
Nf3+ 32. Qf3 c4 33. Qe3 Qb2 34. Qe4 Qb8+ 35. g3 c3  
36. Kg2 Qc8 37. Qc2 Qb7+ (0-1).

Lionel Joyner - Rob South  
Board 3, Round 10

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. Nc3 Bb4 4. e3 c5 5. Nge2 d5  
6. a3 Bc3+ 7. Nc3 cd 8. ed Nc6 9. Be3 0-0 10. c5  
Ne4 11. Ne4 de 12. b4 f5 13. g3 g5 14. Rg1 Kh8 15.  
Qd2 Qf6 16. Bg5 Qd4 17. Rd1 e5 18. Qc1 Qd1+ 19.  
Qd1 Nd4 20. Bc4 Nf3+ 21. Ke2 Ng5 22. Qd6 Kg7 23.  
Qe5+ Rf6 24. Rd1 Nf7 25. Qe7 f4 26. Rd6 (1-0).

Dale Kirton - Stephen Ball  
Board 4, Round 10

1. e4 c6 2. d4 d5 3. Nc3 de 4. Ne4 Nf6 5. Nf6+ gf  
6. Ne2 Bf5 7. Ng3 Bg6 8. h4 h5 9. Be2 Nd7 10. c3  
Qa5 11. b4 Qd5 12. 0-0 Nb6 13. Bf3 Qc4 14. Bd2 e6  
15. Re1 Be7 16. Nf1 Nd5 17. Ne3 Ne3 18. Re3 0-0-0  
19. a4 f5 20. g3 f6 21. Qe1 Bf7 22. b5 c5 23. d5  
e5 24. Qb1 Bg6 25. Re1 e4 26. b6 a6 27. Be2 Qd5  
28. Bf4 Bd6 29. Rd1 Qe6 30. Bc4 Qe7 31. Rd6 Rd6  
32. Qb3 Rhd8 33. a5 Be8 34. Be3 Bc6 35. Re1 Qe8  
36. Kh2 Ba4 37. Qa3 Qc6 38. Bf4 Rd1 39. Re3 R8d2  
40. Kg2 Bb5 41. Qb3 Bc4 42. Qc4 Rd5 43. Qe2 Qb5  
(0-1).



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