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## JEFF REEVE TAKES CROWN - DECLINES TO REPRESENT ALBERTA

By Darse Billings and Len Steele

The Closed this year was again an 8-player round robin, with rounds 1-3 in Calgary on May 6-7 and directed by Darse Billings, and rounds 4-7 in Edmonton on May 13-14 and directed by Len Steele.

The Players were :

Jeff Reeve (2394) : The two time Alberta Champion qualified by winning yet another Alberta Open with a perfect score. With a rating on the verge of the 2400 threshold, Jeff was considered by many to be a prohibitive favourite. Others noted that this was possibly the hardest type of tournament in which to cross that barrier, as every game would be difficult. Indeed, he would probably have to win clear first just to maintain his rating.

Robert South (2280) : The winner of the rural qualifier for the Closed had demonstrated that he was rounding back into form, after a recent hiatus from chess. Always a contender, Bob can never be counted out. Most everyone felt that he would either be in the running for first, or would determine who would win it.

Robert Gardner (2245) : "Rocket" Rob has done well in recent years in this tournament, and would have the "Huber Factor" working in his favour during the first weekend. In recent Calgary tournaments in which Rob had been hosted by the Huber family, he was on an incredible ten game winning streak. Is this possibly a tribute to Sylvia's home cooking, or Denis' hospitality?

Arniel Frialde (2221) : Arniel previously had his rating break the 2300 frontier, before falling back in recent months. Several people considered him to be the dark horse, while a few went so far as to say that it would be a two horse race between him and Reeve. Those people had inside information on the effort Arniel expends to improve his play. His style is well suited to potential suc-

cess in this field of players.

Neil Sharp (2221) : Neil, whose play is characterized by thoughtful reasoning and sound judgement, was known to be capable of defeating (or losing to) any player in this event. Recent successes suggested that it might be possible for the "Pride of Lacombe" to put in a strong result.

Rejean Plante (2151) : The fiery competitor from Edmonton has had a successful year in tournament play, and was looking to cap it off with an equally successful result in the Closed. His resilience ensures that his opponents must work very hard, and no victory over him would be effortless.

Greg Huber (2118) : The Alberta junior champion took a step upward, as the title of Calgary Closed Champion guaranteed him a place in the Closed again this year. He had won several tournaments leading up to this event, which will vault his rating to the master level, and was

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**BEST  
CONTRIBUTION**

Len Steele has won the best contribution prize for this issue. It always amazes me as to how much of his time and efforts he gives to Alberta chess.

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

***BITING REMARKS OF PHIL ARE  
MORE THAN HE CAN CHEW!***

I have received some interesting reactions to my very first ACR. Here are some extracts from a letter sent by Philip Chiu.

Congratulations on your courage in taking on the dubious job of ACA Editor. Don't be upset, but here are several suggestions:

1. Get rid of the double spacing, you are not writing a thesis nor are you submitting a bestseller.
2. Get rid of the "Continued from page...". It's distracting. I know page 3 follows page 2 - you don't have to remind me.
3. Don't jump your articles around so much. The ACR is not a telephone book.

**EDITOR'S REPLY:** If you want to make caustic remarks, Philip, it is anti-thematic to preface them with: "Don't be upset, but..."

Your comments #1 & 2 were caused by unfamiliarity with the computer software and with desktop publishing in general. They were corrected, I hope to your satisfaction, in the March issue.

Your comment #3 is incomprehensible. I appreciate your concerns over the way that the articles jump around in my first issue. I don't understand the reference to a telephone book. My telephone book is very neatly presented in alphabetical order and there is no perceivable "jumping around". In order to judge your comment more objectively, I placed the book, and traced its profile, on the floor. Even after several hours, there was no evidence of it jumping. I remain unable to understand this reference.

**LEN SWINGS COLD STEELE**

Congratulations on the improvement in the format and design of the ACR! It does take time to master desktop publishing software, and I know from experience how hard it can be, given the small print on the screen, to see if there is space between some of the words as they are "packed" in.

I'm sure you can solve the problem of "boxes & lines" being too close to text, but good luck with crosstable columns ( I could never get it to work properly, either!).

I do have some concerns with the evolution of the ACR, however, and express them here to invite comment from readers (hey, NS, not you!).

Let me begin by stressing that it is the Alberta Chess Report, and should have as its main purpose the direct promotion, support and reporting of Alberta chess. I do not believe that the main focus, even if one has sources to get "scoops" on such news, should be on international chess or non-Alberta events (unless an Albertan or even former Albertan is featured prominently, or it is timely important Canadian news like Spraggett-Yusupov, Canadian championships, etc.-- we do have some responsibility to promote the CFC and Canada, too).

Yes, some portion of Alberta players may have great interest in "higher level" news, but most of these people likely get En Passant, Chess Life, Informants, etc. The mailing list for the ACR shows that almost half is juniors ( quite a few of elementary or junior high age) with about half or a bit more of the membership also holding CFC membership. Those wanting lots of international info can get it from other sources.

Some instructive non-Alberta articles, yes, but lets have both prominence and preponderance for Alberta.

Examining the March ACR shows that approx. 30% was "non-Alberta". "Hey, that's not so bad", you might say. Well, look at the cover and the first few pages--certainly not stressing "Alberta"!

Where does one find out about upcoming Alberta tournaments and Alberta chess clubs? "Way in the back", on pages 18 (which I reformatted significantly prior to duplication) & 19. The information on these pages should be "up front" in the ACR! Maybe that takes away from its "magazineness", but it does fulfill its prime function. I believe tournament announcements (or at least a tournament schedule) should be given right on the front cover (the "Inside This Issue" box, on the cover or page 2, can direct readers to featured stories)--the ACR must do its best to promote Alberta events and clubs! Use bold type, boxes, fancy print, symbols, etc. to highlight our tournaments, give attention to the design of the clubs' listing, ACA info, etc., not just to spicing up stories. It is also desired (as earlier requested by the Board of Directors, but you weren't told--sorry) that "junior chess" info and stories be in its own "section" of the ACR, preferably starting at the top left of a page.

I did appreciate, in the March ACR, the reduction in "Continued on page..." articles--I hate having to leaf back and forth (picky, picky!).

Please take this as constructive criticism, Fred. Don't get steamed at the nasty ACA Pres (especially for taking up so much column space)!

P.S. While the ACA still has financial resources to produce the ACR, it may interest readers to know that a 20-page (10 sheet) ACR now costs \$336 to print, approx. \$342 for postage (assuming 450 copies, and an ACR over 10 pages), \$35 for envelopes, etc. That's about \$1.50 per copy for a 20-page issue -- consider that a junior still pays only \$1/year!

-- Len Steele

EDITOR'S REPLY: Thank-you for your congratulations. You have accurately perceived the flaws, as well as their cause. Please note that these flaws have been corrected, in this issue, by the highly capable Karen D. Puringer.

I share your interest in the question: What does concern the reader? I intended, in this issue, to survey the readers. Your timely letter will be substituted for the survey. How many readers have taken the time to so thoroughly communicate their thoughts as Len has done here. No. I do not take offence at your remarks. Rather, I am flattered that such an effort should be made. Thank-you, Len.

You have suggested that the "promotion, support and reporting of Alberta chess" can only be accomplished by the publishing of the names and works of Alberta players. Are Alberta players on some sort of ego trip? You have also suggested that half of the readers are juniors and that they have no interest in high quality games and intense competitions.

I disagree. It seems to me that cultivating good play and developing a strong understanding of chess amongst the Alberta players is the proper way of promoting and supporting Alberta chess.

Shocking as it may be, I can remember my junior days. They were filled with uncertainty. I remember especially when my High School team, during the provincial championship, needed a win from me in the last round. I wondered: How should I play? How should I think? How should I behave?

These fundamental questions, which no longer pre-occupy the adults, Len, are of great concern to juniors and are best answered by the World's strongest players. The juniors, I submit, want to emulate someone (this is after all the way that mankind learns) and they will be better served, by the ACR, if they are asked to emulate the World's best rather than Alberta's best.

You argue that if a player wants to read about these strong players then he can buy it elsewhere. These juniors cannot afford such an extravagance, Len, and I suggest that we are obligated to provide this guidance to them.

You suggest that the international material, found in the March ACR, is also covered by En Passant and Chess Life. The fact is, however, that despite their greater resources and that they were published after the ACR this material has appeared only in the ACR! Only the ACR services the needs of our readers!

You have observed that only 30% of the ACR was related to Alberta chess. This is, as you are well aware, a misleading and unfair comment! You conveniently ignore the simple fact that the ACR publishes 100% of the Alberta material submitted. If Albertans don't care to submit material to the ACR then I don't care to create it for them! I already spend over 11 hours per week on this newsletter - isn't that enough?

By the way, the reader should note that an Albertan submitted a sizeable and informative article to the En Passant regarding the upcoming Canadian Open. No such submission was made to the ACR!

Your suggestion of placing "events" announcements in the front of the ACR is, as you have admitted, unprofessional. Any information that is highly desired by the readers can be placed, without damage, in the least desired location. REASON: The reader will seek it out regardless of its location. There is no need to showcase such information. The feature articles command the feature locations. Can I be faulted for taking pride in Alberta's Chess Newsletter and wanting a professional image for it?

Now if, after all this, I have failed to win you over, Len, then let me add that Art Milne agrees with YOU!



ready to show that he had learned something from his previous experience in the Closed.

Roy Yearwood (2029) : Ironically, the lowest rated player was the reigning champion, and first to qualify for the tournament. Roy's rating has long been known to fluctuate more than 150 points, but opponents know that they believe such numbers at their peril. The recent ebb is the result of new openings and experimentation, but no one would doubt his status as the most dangerous player in any given game.

Here is a round-by-round summary, including some of the games.

(Because of the publication deadline for this ACR, annotated games from the Closed, if any, received after the deadline will be presented in a future ACR.)

### Round 1

0 Sharp	(0.0)	(0.0)	Gardner	1
1 Reeve	(0.0)	(0.0)	Huber	0
1 Frialde	(0.0)	(0.0)	Yearwood	0
= South	(0.0)	(0.0)	Plante	=

The first day of the tournament had only one round, and the atmosphere was relaxed as the participants trickled into the playing site at the University of Calgary. The first alternate, Omar Farid, waited patiently to ensure that the event would go on even if someone did not show.

Sharp - Gardner ended prematurely when White gave up material toward time control. Frialde won by playing consistently and taking full advantage of the opportunities given to him. South and Plante agreed to a short draw, after South had decided to conserve energy rather than pressing a minimal advantage.

Huber had prepared an innovation in an uncommon variation of the Polugaevsky Sicilian, and was up until 4 am the night before with his analysis team confirming its soundness. The analysis paid some dividends as Reeve played into the desired posi-

tion in less than a minute. On playing the unusual variation (13. ... h5), Reeve spent 30 minutes before making the standard response (14. Qh4). Then after Huber immediately played the innovation (14. ... g6), Reeve must have been suspicious, as he took another 30 minutes before responding with the move most analysed by the Huber analysis team. Greg again played his move quickly, and Jeff again studied the position before making his move 20 minutes later. When it was pointed out that Jeff probably now understood the position better than the entire team of analysts, Greg added that Jeff possibly understood it better than anyone else in the world! This was demonstrated in that despite having lapped Greg on the clock, Jeff would crash through and win in just ten more moves. Subsequent analysis seems to have put the line out of business, but it was a valuable learning experience none the less!

J. Reeve - G. Huber

Sicilian Defence, Najdorf Variation  
 1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 cd4 4. Nd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 a6 6. Bg5 e6 7. f4 b5 8. e5 de5 9. fe5 Qc7 10. Qe2 Nfd7 11. 000 Bb7 12. Qg4 Qe5 13. Be2 h5?! 14. Qh4 g6!? (N) [intending Qg5 and Bh6 -GH] 15. Bf3 Ra7 16. Bb7 [16. Rhe1 Qg5 17. Qg5 Bh6 18. Ne6!? -DRB] Rb7 17. Kb1 +/- Bc5 [Bh6!? +/- GH, RY, RG, DB] 18. Rhe1 Qg7 19. Ne6 fe6 20. Re6 Kf7 21. Qe4 Rb6 22. Rb6 Nb6 23. Rf1 Kg8 24. Qe6 Kh7 25. Rf7 N8d7 26. Ne4 Rf8 27. Rg7 Kg7 (1-0)

Frialde-Yearwood

King's Indian Attack  
 1. Nf3 g6 2. d4 Bg7 3. Bf4 d6 4. e3 Nd7 5. Nbd2 Ngf6 6. h3 c5 7. c3 Rb8 8. a4 Nd5 9. Bh2 cxd4 10. exd4 a6 11. Bc4 N7f6 12. Qb3 Be6 13. Ng5 0-0 14. Nxe6 fxe6 15. 0-0 b5 16. axb5 axb5 17. Bd3 Nh5 18. Be2 Nh4 19. Bg4 Qd7 20. Rae1 b4 21. Bxf4 Nxf4 22. Bxe6+ Nxe6 23. Qxe6+ Qxe6 24. Rxe6 bxc3 25. bxc3 Rfc8 26. Rxe7 Rxc3 27. Nf3 Rd3 28. Ra1 Bf8 29. Rd7 Re8 30. Raa7 h6 31. Rf7 Ra8 32. Rad7 g5 33. Kh2 Rd8 34. Kg3 h5 35. Rb7 Rb8 36. Rbc7 d5 37. Rfd7 Rb6 38. Rc8 Rf6 39. Rxd5 Kh7 40. Rcd8 Bh6 41. R5d7+ Kg6 42. Kh2 Rd1 43. Rg8+

Kf5 44. Re7 g4 45. Nh4+ Kf4 46. g3+ 1-0

Sharp-Gardner

Sicilian Defence, Najdorf Variation  
 1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nxd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 a6 6. Be2 e6 7. 0-0 Be7 8. f4 Qc7 9. a4 Nc6 10. Be3 0-0 11. Qe1 Na5 12. Rd1 Nc4 13. Bc1 e5 14. Nb3 exf4 15. Rxf4 Ne5 16. Be3 Ng6 17. Rf1 Re8 18. Qf2 Bd8 19. Bg5 Be6 20. Nd4 h6 21. Be3 Ng4 22. Nxe6 Nxf2 23. Nxc7 Nxd1 24. Nxe8 Nxe3 25. Rf3 Bb6 26. Nxd6 Nc4+ 0-1

### Round 2

= Gardner	(1.0)	(0.5)	Plante	=
0 Yearwood	(0.0)	(0.5)	South	1
0 Huber	(0.0)	(1.0)	Frialde	1
1 Sharp	(0.0)	(1.0)	Reeve	0

Gardner - Plante was a seesaw affair, which had to be adjourned despite the six hour playing session, and would continue for another half an hour before being drawn with Plante up a piece for two pawns. South manhandled Yearwood with methodical play. Frialde had his hands full until Huber made one inexplicable error. Frialde then gave just enough back to make time control and yet be able to win the opposite colour Bishop ending.

Sharp won by completely outplaying Reeve, which came as a shock to almost everyone but the players.

N. Sharp - J. Reeve

Pirc Defence

1. e4 d6 2. d4 Nf6 3. Nc3 g6 4. Nf3 Bg7 5. Be2 00 6. 00 c6 7. a4 Qc7 8. h3 Nbd7 9. Be3 e5 10. de5 de5 11. Bc4 Nb6 12. Bb3 Be6 13. Be6 fe6 14. Qe2 Nh5 15. a5 Nd7 16. Qc4 Rae8 17. Ba7 Nf4 18. Nh2 Ra8 19. Be3 Kh8 20. Rfd1 Nf6 21. Bf4 ef4 22. Qe6 Ra5 23. Ra5 Qa5 24. Nf3 Qb4 25. Qb3 Qe7 26. e5 Ne8 27. Qb6 h6 28. Qd4 g5 29. Ne4 Rf5 30. Qd7 Re5 31. Ne5 Qe5 32. Nd6 Nd6 33. Qd6 Qf5 34. Qb8 Kh7 35. Qb7 f3 36. Rd7 Qe5 37. Rg7 Qg7 38. Qg7 Kg7 39. gf3 Kf6 40. Kf1 Ke5 41. c3 Kd5 42. b3 Resigns



Huber-Frialde

Closed Sicilian

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 e6 3.Nge2 Nc6 4.g3 Nf6 5.Bg2 a6 6.0-0 Qc7 7.d3 b5 8.h3 Bb7 9.Be3 Be7 10.Qd2 0-0 11.f4 d6 12.g4 Rfd8 13.Ng3 d5 14.exd5 exd5 15.Bf2 d4 16.Nce4 Nd5 17.f5 f6 18.Nh5 Ne3 19.Rfe1 Nxe2 20.Kxe2 Bd6 21.g5 Qf7 22.Qe2 fxe5 23.f6 g6 24.Nhg3 Ne5 25.Kg1 Qd5 26.Rf1 Nf7 27.Rae1 Bf4 28.Qf3 Re8 29.Ne2 Qf5 30.Nxf4 gxf4 31.c3 Ng5 32.Nxe5 Bxf3 33.f7+ Qxf7 34.Nxf7 Kxf7 35.Bh4 Rxe1 36.Bxe1 Re8 37.cxd4 g5 38.dxc5 Be2 39.Rf2 Bxd3 40.Bc3 Re2 41.Rxe2 Bxe2 42.b4 Bc4 43.a3 Be6 44.Kh2 Bd7 45.h4 h6 46.Kg2 Kg6 47.Be5 Bc6+ 48.Kg1 Kh5 49.hxg5 hxg5 50.Kf2 Kg4 51.Bd4 Kf5 52.Bc3 g4 0-1

Gardner-Plante

Closed Sicilian

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7 5.d3 e6 6.Be3 d6 7.f4 Nge7 8.Nf3 a6 9.0-0 0-0 10.Qd2 Qc7 11.Nd1 f5 12.c3 Rb8 13.Nf2 b5 14.h4 b4 15.h5 bxc3 16.bxc3 Qa5 17.Rac1 gxf5 18.Nh4 d5 19.exf5 exf5 20.Bf3 Bd7 21.Bxh5 Qa3 22.Nd1 d4 23.cxd4 cxd4 24.Bf2 Be6 25.Bf3 Rfc8 26.Re1 Bd7 27.Rc4 Bf6 28.Kg2 Rb4 29.Rc2 Rb5 30.Qe2 Nb4 31.Rd2 Rbc5 32.Bxd4 Rc2 33.Be3 Rxd2 34.Bxd2 Rc2 35.Nf2 Qxa2 36.Rd1 Kf8 37.Bb7 a5 38.Nf3 a4 39.Rh1 Qe6 40.Qxe6 Bxe6 41.Bxb4 Rb2 42.Bxe7+ Bxe7 43.Bc6 a3 44.Nd4 Bg8 45.Nxf5 a2 46.Ral Bf6 47.d4 Be6 48.Kf3 Bxf5 49.Bd5 Bb1 50.Bxa2 Bxa2 51.Rd1 Bd5+ 52.Ke3 Be7 53.Rd3 Bb4 54.Ne4 Bc4 55.Rd1 Rb3+ 56.Kf2 Rb2+ 57.Kg1 Re2 58.Nf2 Be1 59.Nh1 Bd5 60.Kf1 Re3 61.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 62.Kxe1 Bxh1 63.Kf2 Kf7 64.g4 Ke6 65.Kg3 Bd5 66.Kh4 Draw

Yearwood-South,B.

English, Reverse Sicilian

1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.g3 Bb4 4.Bg2 0-0 5.Qc2 Nc6 6.e3 Bxc3 7.dxc3 e4 8.Ne2 Re8 9.Nf4 d6 10.h3 g5 11.Nd5 Bf5 12.f4 exf3 13.Qxf5 fxe2 14.Rg1 Nxd5 15.cxd5 Re5 16.Qf3 Ne7 17.c4 Nf5 18.Rxe2 Qe7 19.Re2 Re8 20.Qg4 h5 21.Qxh5 Nxe3 22.Qg4 Nxe2 23.Kxe2 Rxe3+ 24.Bxe3 Qxe3+ 25.Kf1 Re4 26.Qc8+ Kg7 27.Kg2 Qf4 28.Rf1 Re2+ 29.Kh1 Qh2+ 0-1

### Round 3

1 Reeve (1.0) (1.5) Gardner 0  
1 Frialde (2.0) (1.0) Sharp 0  
1 South (1.5) (0.0) Huber 0  
= Plante (1.0) (0.0) Yearwood =

Reeve stormed back into contention with a fine win, which destroyed the mystique of Rocket Rob's "Huber Factor" forever.

Frialde showed his balanced style between strategy and tactics with a fine positional win over Sharp. Huber made a few missteps and found South all over him, ending in mate. Yearwood "hung tough" in a bad position for a long time, and finally had his efforts rewarded.

Thus after the first weekend, the scores were symmetrical and distributed over all possible score groups. The top three in the standings were as expected, but the order was certainly different. It looked as though Reeve would have to beat Frialde, and maybe get some help elsewhere, if he was to fulfill the high expectations put on him.

Frialde-Sharp

Queen Pawn Opening

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 c6 3.c4 Nf6 4.g3 Bf5 5.Bg2 e6 6.0-0 h6 7.Qb3 Qb6 8.c5 Qxb3 9.axb3 Nbd7 10.Nc3 Be7 11.b4 Ne4 12.Nd2 Nxc3 13.bxc3 0-0 14.f3 a6 15.e4 Bg6 16.Re1 Rae8 17.Nb3 Bg5 18.Bxg5 hxg5 19.Na5 Rb8 20.exd5 exd5 21.Re7 Rfd8 22.Bh3 f5 23.Rae1 Kf8 24.Kf2 Bh7 25.Bf1 Bg8 26.Bd3 g6 27.h3 Bf7 28.g4 f4 29.h4 gxf4 30.g5 h3 31.Bf1 h2 32.Kg2 Re8 33.Rxe8+ Bxe8 34.Kxh2 Kf7 35.Bh3 Nf8 36.Rg1 Ke7 37.Re1+ Kf7 38.Nb3 Bd7 39.Nc1 Bxh3 40.Kxh3 Ne6 41.Kg4 Rh8 42.Nd3 Rh2 43.Nxf4 Nc7 44.Kg3 Rc2 45.Rh1 Ne6 46.Nxe6 Kxe6 47.Kf4 Rxc3 48.Rh6 Kf7 49.Rh7+ Kg8 50.Rxb7 Rd3 51.Ke5 Rxf3 52.Kd6 Rf4 53.Kxc6 Rxd4 54.Kd6 1-0

Reeve-Gardner

Sicilian Defence, Najdorf Variation

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Be3 e6 7.f4 Be7 8.Qf3 Qc7 9.g4 b5 10.Bd3 Bb7 11.0-0-0 Nc6 12.g5

Nd7 13.Kb1 Nc5 14.f5 b4 15.Nce2 e5 16.Nxc6 Bxc6 17.f6 gxf6 18.gxf6 Bf8 19.Bxc5 dxc5 20.Rhg1 Bb5 21.Bxb5+ axb5 22.Qd3 Rb8 23.Rg5 Bh6 24.Rh5 Bf4 25.Nxf4 exf4 26.Qd5 Kf8 27.Re5 Re8 28.Rxe8+ 1-0

South,B.-Huber

English, Reverse Sicilian

1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7 5.e3 Nge7 6.Nge2 d6 7.d4 exd4 8.exd4 Nf5 9.d5 Ne5 10.0-0 0-0 11.b3 Re8 12.Bb2 Bd7 13.Qd2 h5 14.Ne4 a6 15.Rac1 Qe7 16.Rfe1 Nd3 17.Bxg7 Nxc1 18.Ba1 Nxe2+ 19.Rxe2 Qd8 20.Qb2 Kh7 21.Nf6+ Qxf6 22.Qxf6 Rxe2 23.Qxf7+ Kh6 24.Bf6 Re1+ 25.Bf1 Rae8 26.h4 1-0

### Round 4

1 Gardner (1.5) (0.5) Yearwood 0  
1 Huber (0.0) (1.5) Plante 0  
0 Sharp (1.0) (2.5) South 1  
1 Reeve (2.0) (3.0) Frialde 0

Waiting for most of the players to struggle in for the Edmonton leg of the Closed, the round was started 15 minutes late. Reeve arrived about a half hour after that (he had come up on the bus that morning). Gardner disposed of Yearwood, who was still struggling, while Huber showed he liked the lower altitude in Edmonton (more oxygen per unit volume of air, though it's not enough to help our hockey players, apparently!) by notching his first win, over Plante. Sharp abandoned ship against South once the time control was reached. Reeve-Frialde was the longest game of the round, with Frialde folding after Reeve's 53rd (knighting a pawn), leaving both players tired for the next round.

R. Gardner - R. Yearwood

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 d6 4.Nf3 Bg4 5.Be3 Nc6 6.Bb5 a6 7.Bc6+ bc6 8.h3 Bf3 9.Qf3 e5 10.O-O-O ed 11.Bd4 Qg5+ 12.Kb1 Bd4 13.Rd4 Ne7 14.Rb4 O-O 15.h4 Qe5 16.h5 Rab8 17.Rb8 Rb8 18.hg fg 19.Qh3 h5 20.Qd3 Rf8 21.f3 Qg3 22.Qe2 a5 23.Qd2 Qe5 24.Ne2 Rb8 25.Qc3 Qb5 26.Nf4 Kf7 27.g4 Qe5 28.Qe5 de5 29.Nd3 Kf6 30.g4 Rh8 31.h6 g5 32.Nf2 Ng6 33.Ng4+ Ke6 34.Rh5 Nh4 35.Rg5 Nf3 36.Rg6+ Ke7

37.Rc6 Nd2+ 38.Kc1 Ne4 39.Rc7+ Ke6 40.Rc4 Kf5 41.Ne3+ Kf4 42.Ng2+ Kf3 43.Nh4+ Ke3 44.b3 Rf8 45.Ng6 Rf1+ 46.Kb2 Rh1 47.Ne5 Nd2 48.Ra4 Nf3 (1-0).

G. Huber - R. Plante

1.e4 e5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Nf6 4.d3 Na5 5.Nge2 Nc4 6.dc4 d6 7.O-O c6 8.Qd3 Be6 9.f4 Qb6+ 10.Kh1 Ng4 11.f5 Bd7 12.Qg3 h5 13.Na4 Qb4 14.b3 c5 15.Nac3 Bc6 16.a3 Qa5 17.Rd1 Nf6 18.Qd3 Be7 19.Ng3 h4 20.Nf1 h3 21.g3 O-O-O 22.Ne3 Qc7 23.b4 b6 24.Ncd5 Nd5 25.Nd5 Bd5 26.Qd5 Qb7 27.Qd3 Rh5 28.Qf3 g6 29.g4 Rh4 30.Rd5 gf 31.gf Rg8 32.f6 Bf8 33.Be3 R8g4 34.Rg1 Rg1+ 35.Bg1 cb 36.Qg3 Rh8 37.ab Qc6 38.c5 Kb7 39.c4 bc 40.bc Kc7 41.cd+ Bd6 42.c5 Bf8 43.Qe5+ Kc8 44.Qd4 Kc7 45.Bf2 Qe6 46.Bg3+ (1-0).

J. Reeve - A. Frialde

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.c3 Nf6 4.e5 Nd5 5.d4 cd 6.cd Nc6 7.Nc3 Nc3 8.bc d6 9.Bd3 de 10.de Be7 11.O-O O-O 12.Qe2 g6 13.Bh6 Re8 14.h4 Qc7 15.Rfe1 b6 16.h5 Bb7 17.Ng5 Rad8 18.hg hg 19.Ne6 Qc8 20.Nd8 Nd8 21.Bb5 Bc6 22.Rad1 Ne6 23.Be3 Qb7 24.Bc6 Qc6 25.c4 Bb4 26.Rf1 Qe4 27.Qb2 Bc5 28.Bc5 Nc5 29.Rfe1 Qc4 30.Re3 Qg4 31.Rd4 Qf5 32.Qc3 Ne6 33.Rh4 g5 34.Rh6 Rd8 35.Re1 Qd3 36.Qb4 Qd7 37.Qe4 Qd2 38.Qh7+ Kf8 39.Qh8+ Ke7 40.Qf6+ Ke8 41.Rh8+ Nf8 42.Re3 Qc1+ 43.Kh2 Rd1 44.e6 Rh1+ 45.Kg3 Qc7+ 46.Re5 Rh8 47.fe+ Kd7 49.Qh8 Qd6 50.Kh3 g4+ 51.Kg4 Qg6+ 52.Rg5 Qe4+ 53.Kh3 Ne6 54.f8=N+ (1-0).

Round 5

1 Frialde	(3.0)	(2.5)	Gardner	0
= South	(3.5)	(3.0)	Reeve	=
1 Plante	(1.5)	(1.0)	Sharp	0
1 Yearwood	(0.5)	(1.0)	Huber	0

Gardner was not benefiting from the oxygen, and lost to Frialde. South and Reeve drew after a hard fight. Plante disposed of Sharp in a rook and pawn ending. Yearwood got a broad smile on his face when Huber essayed a Benoni, and showed why by winning

in 28 moves.

Frialde-Gardner

King's Indian Attack

1.Nf3 c5 2.g3 g6 3.Bg2 Bg7 4.c4 Nc6 5.O-O e6 6.Nc3 Nge7 7.Ne4 d6 8.d4 f5 9.Nc3 cxd4 10.Nb5 e5 11.e3 a6 12.Na3 dxe3 13.Bxe3 Rb8 14.Qd2 Be6 15.Rfd1 Nc8 16.Ng5 Bg8 17.Bd5 N6e7 18.Bxg8 Rxc8 19.Ne6 Qd7 20.Nxg7+ Rxc7 21.Bh6 Rf7 22.c5 d5 23.Nc4 Qc7 24.Nxe5 Qxc5 25.Nxf7 Kxf7 26.Rac1 Qb6 27.Qc3 Qf6 28.Qc7 Ra8 29.Bf4 b5 30.Be5 Qe6 31.Re1 Qb6 32.Qc3 Nd6 33.Bd4 Qd8 34.Qe3 Rc8 35.Qe6+ Ke8 36.Bc5 Ne4 37.Bxe7 1-0

South,R-Reeve

English

1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 e5 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.g3 d5 5.cxd5 Nxd5 6.Bg2 Nb6 7.O-O Be7 8.b3 0-0 9.Bb2 f5 10.Rc1 Bf6 11.Ne1 Be6 12.Nd3 Qe7 13.Nb5 a6 14.Ba3 Qf7 15.Nc3 Rfd8 16.Nc5 Bc8 17.e3 e4 18.d4 exd3 19.Nxd3 Be6 20.Qe2 Nd5 21.Na4 Ne5 22.Nf4 Nxf4 23.exf4 Nc6 24.Nc5 Nd4 25.Qe3 Bd5 26.Rfe1 Bxg2 27.Kxg2 Re8 28.Qd3 b6 29.Na4 Qd5+ 30.f3 Kh8 31.Bb2 Rad8 32.Bxd4 Bxd4 33.Rxe8+ Rxe8 34.Rxc7 h6 35.Nxb6 Qd6 36.Rd7 Qxb6 37.Rxd4 Qa5 38.Qd2 Qb6 39.Rd5 Qf6 40.Kf2 Rf8 41.Rd6 Qa1 42.Kg2 Rc8 43.Rxa6 Qb1 44.Rxh6+ gxh6 45.Qd4+ Kg8 46.Qd5+ Kf8 47.Qd6+ Ke8 Draw

Plante-Sharp

QGA, Semi-Slav

1.c4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 e6 5.e3 Nbd7 6.cxd5 exd5 7.Bd3 Bd6 8.O-O 0-0 9.Ne2 Re8 10.Ng3 Ne4 11.Bxe4 dxe4 12.Nd2 Nf6 13.f4 exf3 14.Qxf3 Bg4 15.Qf2 Qd7 16.h3 Bh5 17.Nf5 Bf8 18.Nc4 Bg6 19.Ne5 Qxf5 20.Qxf5 Bxf5 21.Rxf5 Bd6 22.Nc4 Bc7 23.a4 Ne4 24.b4 a6 25.Ra3 Nd6 26.Nxd6 Bxd6 27.Rb3 g6 28.Rf1 Rad8 29.Bb2 Bf8 30.b5 axb5 31.axb5 c5 32.b6 Bh6 33.Kf2 Rd5 34.g4 Bg7 35.Rd1 cxd4 36.Bxd4 Red8 37.Rbd3 R8d6 38.Rc3 Bxd4 39.exd4 Rxd4 40.Rxd4 Rxd4 41.Rc7 Rb4 42.Rxb7 Kg7 43.Ke3 Kf6 44.Kd3 Kg5 45.Kc3 Rb1 46.Kc4 Kh4 47.Kc5 Kxh3 48.g5 Kg4 49.Rxf7 Kxg5 50.Rxh7 Kg4 51.Rd7 g5 52.Rd4+ Kf3 53.Rb4 Rc1+ 54.Kd5 Rc8 55.Ke5 g4 56.Rb3+ Kf2 57.Kf4 Rc4+ 58.Kf5 g3 59.b7 Rc5+

60.Ke4 g2 61.Rb2+ 1-0

Yearwood-Huber

Benoni Defence

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 g6 4.Nc3 d6 5.e4 Bg7 6.Nf3 0-0 7.Be2 e6 8.O-O exd5 9.exd5 a6 10.h3 Re8 11.Bd3 Nfd7 12.Ne4 Ne5 13.Bg5 f6 14.Bh4 Nxc4 15.Qc2 Nb6 16.Rae1 Rf8 17.Bg3 f5 18.Nxd6 f4 19.Nxc8 Qxc8 20.Bh4 c4 21.Bxg6 hxg6 22.Qxg6 Nxd5 23.Re6 Nd7 24.Rfe1 N7f6 25.Bxf6 Nxf6 26.Re7 Ne8 27.Rxc7+ Nxc7 28.Re7 1-0

Round 6

0 Gardner	(2.5)	(1.0)	Huber	1
1 Sharp	(1.0)	(1.5)	Yearwood	0
1 Reeve	(3.5)	(2.5)	Plante	0
1 Frialde	(4.0)	(4.0)	South	0

Huber's ability to utilize oxygen better than Gardner was doubtless the factor in their game (ho, ho). Sharp finally got his second win, with Yearwood losing on time about ten minutes after abandoning the board when he analyzed for a while and forgot that his Queen was en prix. Reeve kept his chances alive by outplaying Plante. Frialde looked like the favorite to win the Closed when he nailed South, but read on ...

Gardner-Huber

Sicilian Defence, Najdorf Variation

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.f4 e5 7.Nf3 Qc7 8.a4 Nbd7 9.Bd3 Be7 10.O-O 0-0 11.Nh4 exf4 12.Nf5 Ne5 13.Rxf4 Re8 14.Be3 Bf8 15.Nxg7 Bxg7 16.Rxf6 Ng4 17.Nd5 Qc6 18.Rf3 f5 19.Be2 fxe4 20.Rg3 Nxe3 21.Nxe3 Kh8 22.Rxc7 Kxc7 23.Qd4+ Re5 24.Nc4 Qc5 25.c3 Qxd4+ 26.cxd4 Rg5 27.Nxd6 Bh3 28.Bf1 e3 29.Ne4 Rg6 30.Re1 Re8 31.Rxe3 Bc8 32.Bd3 Rge6 33.Rg3+ Kh8 34.Ng5 Rf6 35.h4 h6 36.Ne4 Rf4 37.Nd6 Re1+ 38.Kh2 Rxh4+ 39.Rh3 Bxh3 40.gxh3 Rxd4 41.Nf7+ Kg7 0-1

Sharp-Yearwood

Pirc Defence

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 d6 4.Nf3 Bg4 5.Be3 Nc6 6.Be2 Bxf3 7.Bxf3 e6 8.Qd2 Nge7 9.O-O 0-0 10.h4 f5 11.Ne2 h5 12.Nf4 Qd7 13.d5 Nd8 14.dxe6 Nxe6

15.Rhe1 Nxf4 16.Bxf4 Qa4 17.Kb1 Kh7  
18.g3 Rae8 19.c3 Qc4 20.e5 dxe5  
21.Bxe5 Rd8 22.Qf4 Rxd1+ 23.Rxd1 c6  
24.Qxc4 1-0

Reeve-Plante

Ruy Lopez, Exchange Variation

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Bxc6  
dxc6 5.0-0 Bg4 6.h3 Bh5 7.g4 Bg6  
8.Nxe5 Qh4 9.Qf3 f6 10.Nxg6 hxg6  
11.Kg2 Bd6 12.d4 0-0-0 13.Nd2 c5  
14.d5 Ne7 15.Nc4 f5 16.e5 Nxd5  
17.exd6 cxd6 18.Rh1 Nf6 19.Qg3  
Qxg3+ 20.fxg3 fxg4 21.Bf4 gxh3+  
22.Rxh3 Rxh3 23.Kxh3 Rh8+ 24.Kg2  
Kd7 25.Nxd6 g5 26.Rd1 Ke6 1-0

Frialde-South,B.

King's Indian Defence

1.Nf3 d6 2.d4 Bg4 3.Nbd2 e6 4.g3 Nf6  
5.Bg2 Be7 6.b3 0-0 7.Bb2 Nbd7 8.0-0  
c6 9.c4 d5 10.c5 h6 11.b4 a5 12.a3 Bf5  
13.Qb3 a4 14.Qd1 Ne8 15.Rc1 Nc7  
16.Ne5 Nb5 17.e4 Bh7 18.Nxd7 Qxd7  
19.e5 f5 20.f4 g5 21.Nb1 Bg6 22.Kh1  
Rf7 23.Rg1 Rg7 24.Bf3 g4 25.Be2 h5  
26.Kg2 h4 27.Rh1 Kf7 28.Nc3 Nxc3  
29.Bxc3 Rh7 30.Be1 hxg3 31.Bxg3  
Bh4 32.Qc2 Kg7 33.Rcg1 Rah8 34.Bf1  
Qc8 35.Qxa4 Bf7 36.b5 Qa8 37.Qb4  
Bd8 38.b6 Bh4 39.a4 Rh6 40.a5 Qg8  
41.Kf2 Bxg3+ 42.Rxg3 Rxh2+ 43.Rxh2  
Rxh2+ 44.Bg2 Qh8 45.a6 bxa6 46.b7  
Qh6 47.Kg1 1-0

### Round 7

1 South	(4.0)	(2.5)	Gardner	0
0 Yearwood	(1.5)	(4.5)	Reeve	1
1 Huber	(2.0)	(2.0)	Sharp	0
1 Plante	(2.5)	(5.0)	Frialde	0

A three-way tie for first was still possible, if South won, Frialde lost and Reeve drew (the TD shuddered at the thought of such a tie). The paramedics did not arrive to administer oxygen to Gardner, so he fell again, this time to South (the lack of Oh-Two was so marked, that Gardner resigned by putting his King en prix on move 54; another factor was South's continued prodigious consumption of the free donuts provided -- a new technique for winning chess?). Reeve, who stuck to Coke Classic and the odd oatmeal cookie (also a freebie from the ACA) kept his chances alive by hand-

ing another loss to Yearwood, but had to hope for Plante to come through against Frialde (Jeff had to head back to Calgary before that game was completed).

Huber had advanced beyond oxygen and was now suspected of metabolizing nitrogen as he slipped a zero to Sharp. So, it came down to the Plante-Frialde game, which lasted 6 hours and 32 minutes.

Plante, who all weekend had been imbibing great quantities of the superb (?) instant coffee provided, had found Frialde his "bete noire" in recent history, so it looked like Arniel had a good chance of becoming the Champion. However, Plante triumphed this time, despite all the desperado tries of Frialde to pull out of an inferior, then losing position. So, Jeff Reeve ended up alone at the top of the heap, becoming the 1989 Alberta Closed Champion and qualifying for the Canadian Closed to be held in June in Windsor.

Yearwood-Reeve

English Opening

1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 e5 3.g3 d5 4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.Bg2 Nb6 6.Nf3 Nc6 7.0-0 Be7 8.d3 0-0 9.Be3 Be6 10.Ne4 f5 11.Nc5 Bxc5 12.Bxc5 Re8 13.b3 Qf6 14.Qd2 Rad8 15.Qb2 Nd5 16.Rac1 h6 17.Nd2 Nd4 18.Nc4 b6 19.Ba3 f4 20.Rfe1 b5 21.e3 bxc4 22.dxc4 fxe3 23.cxd5 Bxd5 24.Bxd5+ Rxd5 25.Rxe3 e4 26.Rxc7 Nf3+ 27.Kg2 Qg6 28.Qe2 Rh5 29.Rxf3 exf3+ 30.Qxf3 Rf5 31.Qb7 Qg4 32.Bc5 a6 33.Be3 Rxe3 0-1

Huber-Sharp

Vienna Opening

1.e4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.Bc4 Nc6 4.d3 Bb4 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bh4 d6 7.Nge2 Be6 8.0-0 g5 9.Bg3 h5 10.f3 Ne7 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.d4 h4 13.Bf2 Ng6 14.Qd3 Bxc3 15.Qxc3 Qe7 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.Rad1 b6 18.Be3 Nf4 19.Nc1 0-0 20.Qxe5 N6h5 21.Bd4 Kh7 22.Rd2 Rad8 23.Rfd1 c5 24.Be3 Kh6 25.Nd3 Ng6 26.Qc3 e5 27.Nf2 Nhf4 28.Ng4+ Kh5 29.Kf2 Rxd2+ 30.Qxd2 Qe6 31.b3 Rf7 32.Kg1 h3 33.g3 Ng2 34.Bxg5 Rxf3 35.Bf6 Qxg4 1-0

South,B.-Gardner

Sicilian Defence

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7 5.0-0 Nc6 6.c3 Nf6 7.d3 0-0 8.Nbd2 e5 9.a3 a5 10.a4 b6 11.Nc4 h6 12.Re1 Be6 13.Nfd2 Qc7 14.Ne3 Ne7 15.c4 Nc6 16.Nb1 Nd4 17.Nc3 Rae8 18.b3 Qc8 19.f3 Kh7 20.Ra2 Qd8 21.Rf2 Ng8 22.Ned5 f6 23.f4 Bd7 24.f5 gxf5 25.exf5 Ne7 26.Be4 Rh8 27.Qh5 Kg8 28.Nxe7+ Rxe7 29.Nd5 Rf7 30.Be3 Be8 31.Qd1 Kf8 32.g4 Nc6 33.h4 Nb4 34.Ref1 Nxd5 35.Bxd5 Rc7 36.Qf3 Bf7 37.g5 hxg5 38.hxg5 Ra7 39.Rg2 Rc7 40.Rff2 Ra7 41.g6 Bxd5 42.Qxd5 Re7 43.Rh2 Rg8 44.Rh7 Qd7 45.Kg2 Qb7 46.Qxb7 Rxb7 47.Kf3 d5 48.cxd5 Rh8 49.Rfh2 Kg8 50.Ke4 Rd7 51.Rxh8+ Bxh8 52.Rh7 Rxh7 53.gxh7+ Kf7 54.d6 1-0

Here's the final crosstable:

### 1989 ALBERTA CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

	Player	Rtg.	Perf.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	TOTAL
1.	J. Reeve	2394	2409	X	1	.5	1	1	1	0	1	5.5
2.	A. Frialde	2221	2377	0	X	1	0	1	1	1	1	5.0
3.	B. South	2280	2368	.5	0	X	.5	1	1	1	1	5.0
4.	R. Plante	2151	2215	0	1	.5	X	0	.5	1	.5	3.5
5.	G. Huber	2118	2163	0	0	0	1	X	1	1	0	3.0
6.	R. Gardner	2245	2088	0	0	0	.5	0	X	1	1	2.5
7.	N. Sharp	2221	2034	1	0	0	0	0	0	X	1	2.0
8.	R. Yearwood	2029	2004	0	0	0	.5	1	0	0	X	1.5

(average rating: 2207)

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# LJUBO LEADS LEGENDS

WORLD CUP IN BARCELONA, SPAIN

Player	Rtg.	Perf.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	TOTAL
1. Ljubojevic	2580	2767	X	.5	.5	.5	.5	.5	.5	1	.5	.5	1	1	1	1	.5	1		11.0
2. Kasparov	2775	2754	.5	X	1	1	.5	1	.5	1	.5	0	.5	1	1	.5	.5	1	.5	11.0
3. Salov	2630	2713	.5	0	X	.5	1	1	.5	.5	0	1	.5	.5	1	1	0	1	1	10.0
4. Korchnoi	2610	2690	.5	0	.5	X	0	.5	1	.5	.5	.5	1	1	1	1	1	0	.5	9.5
5. Hubner	2600	2665	.5	.5	0	1	X	.5	1	.5	.5	.5	.5	.5	.5	.5	1	.5	.5	9.0
6. Short	2650	2662	.5	0	0	.5	.5	X	.5	.5	1	1	1	.5	0	1	0	1	1	9.0
7. Nikolic	2605	2615	.5	.5	.5	0	0	.5	X	.5	.5	.5	.5	.5	.5	.5	1	1		8.0
8. Spassky	2580	2592	.5	0	.5	.5	.5	.5	X	.5	.5	.5	0	.5	.5	.5	1	.5		7.5
9. Vaganian	2600	2590	0	.5	1	.5	.5	0	.5	.5	X	1	.5	.5	.5	0	0	1		7.5
10. Yusupov	2610	2590	.5	1	0	.5	.5	0	.5	.5	0	X	.5	.5	.5	.5	.5	1	.5	7.5
10. Ribli	2625	2589	.5	.5	.5	0	.5	0	.5	.5	.5	.5	X	1	.5	.5	.5	.5	.5	7.5
12. Beljavski	2640	2588	0	0	.5	0	.5	.5	1	.5	.5	0	X	1	1	1	.5	0		7.5
13. Speelman	2640	2563	0	0	0	0	.5	1	.5	.5	.5	.5	0	X	.5	.5	1	1		7.0
14. Seirawan	2610	2540	0	.5	.5	0	.5	0	.5	.5	.5	.5	0	0	X	1	.5	1		6.5
15. Hjartarson	2615	2539	0	.5	1	0	0	1	.5	.5	1	.5	.5	0	.5	0	X	.5	0	6.5
16. Illescas	2500	2497	.5	0	0	1	.5	0	0	0	1	0	.5	.5	0	.5	.5	X	.5	5.5
17. Nogueiras	2575	2492	0	.5	0	.5	.5	0	0	.5	0	.5	.5	1	0	0	1	.5	X	5.5

Ljubomir Ljubojevic lead throughout the fourth World Cup tournament, which was held in Barcelona, Spain, from March 30 to April 20.

He proved that his remarkable performance in Linares, where he now resides, was no fluke.

Last year, this Yugoslavian dynamo was nothing more than a lifeless dud. His rating had plummeted to a relatively low 2580. Then, apparently, he worked hard at up-grading his theoretical knowledge. Linares and Barcelona prove that his efforts were well spent.

Tal was scheduled to participate but withdrew due to illness - what else? Late reports state that he is recovering. After his departure, this was classified as a category 15 tournament with an average rating of 2615.

Kasparov was the subject of titillating rumours after garnering only 4.5 points in his first 8 games! He had apparently been suffering from a cold. By this time, Ljubojevic had 6 points and was coasting.

Kasparov overcame the illness and shifted into high gear. He scored 6.5 points in the remaining 8 games! Ljubo, meanwhile, scored 5 points and

the two therefore shared first place.

Due to a better Sonnenborger-Bergen tie-break, Kasparov keeps alive his long series of at least tying for first place in every tournament since I can remember. However, this was a shallow victory. When determining between the two, as to who should receive the first place points in the overall World Cup standings, the game played with the local guest player, GM M. Illescas, was discounted. Ljubojevic thereby lost 0.5 points and Kasparov lost 1.0 point. Ljubo was accordingly given the first place points.

That means that Kasparov has received the first place points twice and the second place points once. Whereas Karpov has received both first and second place points on one occasion each.

In the World Cup series, each player shall compete in 4 of the 6 tournaments. Only the player's 3 best results will count towards his overall standing.

The remaining two events are in Rotterdam, Holland (June) and in Skelleftea, Sweden (August). You should note that Karpov has played in

only 2 tournaments. Karpov and Kasparov are, effectively, leading by a wide margin.

If Karpov can manage at least a second place in Rotterdam then this will set the stage for a great battle between the "super K's", in Skelleftea, over the U.S.\$100,000 prize.

## WORLD CUP STANDINGS (number of tournaments played if not 3)

1. Kasparov	82.5	
2. Beljavski	76.5	(4)
3. Ljubojevic	66.0	
4. Speelman	61.0	(4)
5. Karpov	54.5	(2)
6. Anderson	49.5	
7. Salov	48.0	(2)
8. Sokolov	48.0	
9. Ribli	45.5	
10. Ehvest	45.0	(2)
11. Spassky	45.0	

12. Nikolic 43.0 13-14. Nunn & Hubner 42.5 (2) 15. Yusupov 42.5 16. Tal 41.0 (2) 17. Hjartarsson 39.5 18. Korchnoi 39.0 19. Timman 38.5 20. Short 38.0 (2) 21-23. Portisch, Sax & Nogueiras 30.5 24. Seirawan 23.0 (2) 25. Vaganian 18.5 (1)

Korchnoi-Nikolic  
Barcelona, Spain (1) 1989  
Pirc Defence

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.f3 e5 4.d5 Be7 5.Be3  
0-0 6.Qd2 c6 7.c4 b5 8.Nc3 b4 9.Nd1 a5  
10.Nf2 Qc7 11.Rc1 Nbd7 12.Ne2 Ba6  
13.Ng3 Rfc8 14.Nf5 Bf8 15.dxc6 Qxc6  
16.Be2 Nc5 17.0-0 Ne8 18.Nd3 Ne6  
19.b3 Qc7 20.Qe1 g6 21.Nh6+ Kh8  
22.Qh4 f6 23.f4 exf4 24.Nxf4 Nxf4  
25.Qxf4 Bg7 26.Bd4 d5 27.e5 g5 28.Qf5  
Bxh6 29.exf6 Qf7 30.Bh5 Qf8 31.Bxe8  
1-0

Yusupov-Kasparov  
Barcelona, Spain (3) 1989  
KID, Classical System

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4  
d6 5.d4 0-0 6.Be2 e5 7.d5 a5  
8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 Na6 10.Nd2 Qe8  
11.0-0 Nh7 12.a3 Bd7 13.b3 f5!?  
Apparently, Kasparov had over-  
looked White's move #16 but the re-  
sulting "sacrifice" doesn't turn-out so  
badly anyways. 14.exf5 gxf5  
15.Bh5 Qc8 16.Be7 Re8 17.Bxe8  
Qxe8 18.Bh4 e4 19.Oc2 Oh5  
20.Bg3 Re8 21.Bf4 Qg4 22.g3  
Ng5 23.Kh1 Nf3 24.Rac1 Nc5  
25.Nxf3 Qxf3+ 26.Kg1 Nd3  
27.Od2 Bd4 28.Rc2 Kh7 29.h3  
Rg8 30.Kh2 Oh5 31.Nd1 Ne5??  
Oops! Kasparov had only one minute  
for 9 more moves. Some have sug-  
gested that Black would win with  
31...Nxf4 32.gxf4 (not 32.Qf4 because  
of 32...Rg4) 32...Qg6 33.Ne3 Bxe3  
34.fxe3 Qg3+ 35.Kh1 Qxh3+ and the  
rook on f1 is captured. 32.f3 Nd3  
33.Ne3 Nxf4 34.gxf4 Bb6?? A  
horrid blunder for the World Cham-  
pion. Even an A Class player would  
see 34...Qh4 35.Qxd4 Rg3 with Black  
winning. However, Kasparov was left  
with seconds to play 6 moves. 35.Of2  
Qg6 36.Re2 Bc5 37.fxe4 fxe4  
38.f5 Oh5 39.Rd2 Rg5 40.Of4  
Qe8 41.Ng4 1-0

Kasparov-Seirawan  
Barcelona, Spain (4) 1989  
KID, Saemisch System

1.d4 d6 2.e4 Nf6 3.f3 g6 4.Be3  
Bg7 5.Od2 0-0 6.c4 e5 7.d5 Nh5  
8.Nc3 Oh4+ 9.Bf2 Of4 10.Be3  
Oh4+ 11.g3 Nxc3 This sacrifice is  
an old idea that was propagated by

Bronstein. Black surrenders his  
Queen and receives only two minor  
pieces & two pawns. Ordinarily, this is  
not a could exchange for Black how-  
ever the resulting position does justify  
the transaction. The position is some-  
what closed and White lacks activity.  
12.Of2 Nxf1 13.Oxh4 Nxe3  
14.Ke2 Nxc4 15.Rc1 Na6 16.Nd1  
Nb6 17.Ne3 Bd7 18.Nh3 f6  
19.Nf2 Nc8 20.Rc3 Ne7 21.Rhc1  
Rac8 22.Rb3 Rb8 23.Nd3 Rf7  
24.Oe1 Nc8 25.Oa5 Nb6 26.Rxc7  
f5 27.Rc2 fxe4 28.fxe4 Rbf8  
29.Rxb6 Now Black would have a  
great game after 29...axb6 30.Qxb6  
Bh6!? Kasparov had 5 minutes left for  
his remaining 11 moves. He made the  
offer and Seirawan, after much  
thought, accepted. DRAW!

Illescas-Korchnoi  
Barcelona, Spain (4) 1989  
King's Indian Attack

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qb3 c5  
5.a3 Ba5 6.g3 0-0 7.Bg2 d5 8.0-0 d4  
9.Na4 Nbd7 10.Qc2 Rb8 11.b4 cxb4  
12.axb4 Bxb4 13.Nxd4 e5 14.Nf3 b5  
15.cxb5 Rxb5 16.Bb2 a6 17.d4 e4  
18.Ne5 Bb7 19.Nc6 Qc8 20.Rfc1 Qxc6  
21.Qxc6 Bxc6 22.Rxc6 Nb8 23.Rc4  
Re8 24.e3 a5 25.Rac1 Nbd7 26.Rc8 Kf8  
27.Rxe8+ Kxe8 28.Rc2 Ke7 29.f3 exf3  
30.Bxf3 Nd5 31.e4 N5b6 32.Be2 Rg5  
33.Nxb6 Nxb6 34.Rc7+ Kd8 35.Rxf7  
Na4 36.Bc1 Rg6 37.e5 Nc3 38.Bd3 Rc6  
39.Bg5+ Ke8 40.Rxg7 a4 41.Rxh7 a3  
42.Bf6 1-0

Korchnoi-Kasparov  
Barcelona, Spain (5) 1989  
KID, Classical System, Modern Vari-  
ation

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4  
d6 5.d4 0-0 6.Be2 Nc6 7.0-0 e5  
8.d5 Ne7 9.a4!? a5 10.Ne1 Nd7  
11.Be3 f5 12.f3 Nc5 13.Nd3 b6  
14.b4 Nxd3 15.Oxd3 axb4  
16.Nb5 White has frozen Black's  
queenside and its complete annihila-  
tion is now unavoidable. There is only  
one hope for Black: Develop an at-  
tack on the kingside sufficient to bal-  
ance White's on the queenside - and  
do it REAL fast! 16...Kh8 17.Ob3  
Ng8 18.Oxb4 Nf6 19.exf5 gxf5  
20.Bg5?! I don't understand the post-

ponement of the planned attack on the  
queenside. 20.a5 seems so natural.  
Grandmaster moves like this - having  
an interlocutory nature - confound me,  
I admit. 20...h6 21.Bh4 Bd7 22.Ra3  
Ob8 23.Bf2 Rg8 24.Rb1 Nh5  
25.Kh1 Od8 26.a5 Bxb5 27.Oxb5  
bxa5 28.g3 Ugly, isn't it? But what  
can he do? If he seeks exchanges  
then 28.Rxa5 Rb8 29.Qxb8 Qxb8  
30.Rxb8 Rxb8 then he would face the  
deadly threats from Black placing his  
rook on White's second or first rank.  
28...f4 29.g4 e4 30.fxe4 Nf6  
31.Bh4 Qe7 32.Bf3 Qe5 33.Re1  
Nh7 34.Od7 Bf6 35.Bxf6+ Nxf6  
36.Of5 Qxf5 37.exf5 Nxc4  
38.Bxc4 Rxc4 39.Rh3 Kg7  
40.Re7+ Kf6 41.Re6+ Kxf5  
42.Rhxb6 Rf8 43.Rh5+ Rg5  
44.Rxc5+ Kxc5 45.c5 a4 46.cxd6  
cxd6 47.Rxd6 Ra8 48.Re6 a3  
49.Re1 Kf5 50.h4 f3 51.d6 a2  
52.Ra1 Kf4 53.Kh2 f2 54.d7 Kf3  
55.Rc1 a1Q 0-1

Nogueiras-Ljubojevic  
Barcelona, Spain (6) 1989  
Gruenfeld Defence, Exchange Vari-  
ation

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.cxd5  
Nxd5 5.e4 Nxc3 6.bxc3 Bg7  
7.Bc4 c5 8.Ne2 0-0 9.Be3 Nc6  
10.Rc1 cxd4 11.cxd4 Qa5+  
12.Kf1 Bd7 13.h4 We are following  
the important game of Polugajevski-  
Korchnoi, Haningen, Sweden, 1988.  
The Gruenfeld Defence has repeat-  
edly been overrun by the set-up  
played here. 13...Rfc8! 14.h5 Nd8 As  
alluded to earlier, Ljubojevic has been  
doing a lot of homework lately. His  
manoeuvres of Rfc8 & Nd8 confute  
the idea of White's. 15.hxc6 hxc6  
16.Bd2 Qa4 17.Bb3 Qa6 18.Kg1  
Od3 19.Rxc8 Rxc8 20.e5 Be6  
21.Kf1 Bxb3 22.axb3 Rc2 23.Ke1  
Qxb3 24.Rh3 Qc4 25.Nc3 Rb2  
26.Qc1 Rb3 27.Bh6 White's desper-  
ate attack peters out. 27...Ne6  
28.Bxc7 Nxc7 29.Qh6 Nh5  
30.Od2 b5 31.Nd1 Rxh3 32.gxh3  
Qd5 33.Ob4 Nf4 34.Oxe7 Oxd4  
35.Oe8+ Kg7 36.Oxb5 Qd3  
37.Oxd3 Nxd3+ 38.Kd2 Nxe5  
39.f4 Nd7 40.Kd3 Kh6 41.Ke4 f5+  
42.Kd5 Nf6+ 43.Ke5 Ne4 44.Ne3

**a5 45.Kd4 Nf2 0-1**

Hjartarson-Kasparov  
Barcelona, Spain (7) 1989  
Queen Pawn Opening

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.g3 d5  
5.cxd5 Nxd5 6.Bg2 0-0 7.0-0 Nb6  
8.Nc3 Nc6 9.e3 Re8 10.d5 Na5 11.Nd4  
Bd7 12.e4 c5 13.dxc6 Nxc6 14.Nxc6  
Bxc6 15.Qb3 Qd3 16.Be3 Rac8  
17.Rfd1 Qa6 18.Bd4 Qa5 19.Bxg7  
Kxg7 20.Rac1 Red8 21.Rxd8 Rxd8  
22.Rd1 Rxd1+ 23.Qxd1 Qc5 24.Nd5 e5  
25.Nxb6 Qxb6 26.Qd2 Qc5 27.h4 h6  
28.b4 Qc4 29.Qb2 f6 30.Qd2 g5  
31.hxg5 hxg5 32.a3 Kf7 33.Qd6 Qd4  
34.Qc7+ Qd7 35.Qb8 Qd1+ 36.Kh2  
Qh5+ 37.Kg1 Qd1+ 38.Kh2 Qd4 39.b5  
Bxb5 40.Qxb7+ Bd7 41.Kg1 Ke8  
42.Bf1 Qc5 43.Qb8+ Ke7 44.Qg8 Be6  
45.Qh7+ Bf7 46.Kg2 Qc8 47.Be2 Qg8  
48.Qxg8 Bxg8 49.f4 gxf4 50.gxf4 Kd6  
51.Kf3 Kc5 52.fxe5 fxe5 53.Ke3 Bc4  
54.Bd3 Bb3 55.Be2 Ba4 56.Bd3 Bc6  
57.Be2 Bb5 58.Bd1 Bf1 59.Bb3 a5  
60.Ba2 DRAW

Kasparov-Short  
Barcelona, Spain (8) 1989  
English, Reverse Sicilian

1.c4 e5 2.g3 d6 3.Bg2 g6 4.d4 exd4  
5.Qxd4 Nf6 6.Nc3 Bg7 7.Qe3+ Qe7  
8.Qxe7+ Kxe7 9.b3 a5 10.Bb2 c6  
11.Na4 Be6 12.Nf3 Nbd7 13.Nd4 Rhc8  
14.0-0 Rab8 15.Rac1 Ne8 16.Rfd1 c5  
17.Nb5 Bxb2 18.Nxb2 Nb6 19.Nc3  
Na8 20.Nba4 Nec7 21.Rd2 Bd7 22.Ne4  
Ne8 23.Nac3 Bc6 24.Rcd1 Rd8 25.g4  
Nac7 26.a4 Ne6 27.e3 h6 28.f4 Rd7  
29.h4 Rbd8 30.Ng3 N6g7 31.Nd5+ Kf8  
32.Kf2 Ne6 33.g5 hxg5 34.hxg5 N6c7  
35.Bh3 f5 36.gxf6 Rh7 37.Nxc7 Nxc7  
38.Bg2 Ne8 39.Bxc6 bxc6 40.Kg2 Rb8  
41.Rd3 d5 42.cxd5 cxd5 43.Rxd5 Rxb3  
44.Ne4 Rxe3 45.Re5 Rh5 46.Re6 Re2+  
47.Kf3 Rhh2 48.f7 Rhf2+ 49.Nxf2 Rxe6  
50.fxe8Q+ Kxe8 51.Rc1 1-0

Yusupov-Short  
Barcelona, Spain (10) 1989  
Queen's Gambit Accepted, Tar-  
takov Variation

1.Nf3 d5 2.d4 Nf6 3.c4 e6 4.Nc3 Be7  
5.Bg5 h6 6.Bxf6 Bxf6 7.e3 0-0 8.Qb3 c6  
9.Rd1 Nd7 10.Bd3 b6 11.0-0 Bb7  
12.Rfe1 Re8 13.Bb1 Rc8 14.cxd5 exd5

15.e4 Nf8 16.e5 Be7 17.Qc2 Rc7 18.a3  
Bc8 19.h3 g6 20.Qd2 Kg7 21.Nh2 Ne6  
22.Ne2 Ba6 23.Nf4 Nxf4 24.Qxf4 c5  
25.Nf3 Bc8 26.dxc5 bxc5 27.Ba2 Be6  
28.Re2 Rd7 29.Bb3 Qa5 30.Qa4 Qb6  
31.Rxd5 Red8 0-1

Kasparov-Speelman  
Barcelona, Spain (10) 1989  
King's Indian Defence

1.d4 d6 2.e4 g6 3.c4 e5 4.Nf3  
exd4 5.Nxd4 Bg7 6.Nc3 Nc6  
7.Be3 Nge7 8.h4!? h6?? This ap-  
pears to be a needless weakening of  
the kingside position. One may sug-  
gest that White's 8th move was simply  
a "scare" and it worked! 9.Be2 f5  
10.exf5 Nxf5 11.Nxf5 Bxf5  
12.Od2 Od7 13.0-0 0-0-0 14.b4!  
This simple move belies Black's idea  
of castling on the queenside.  
14...Nxb4 15.Nb5 Nc2 16.Bf3 d5  
17.Bxd5 Nxa1 18.Nxa7+ Kb8  
19.Ob4 Oxd5 20.cxd5 Nc2  
21.Oa5 Nxe3 22.fxe3 Rhe8  
23.Nb5 Rxd5 24.Oxc7+ Ka8  
25.Oa5+ 1-0

Beljavski-Kasparov  
Barcelona, Spain (11) 1989  
Sicilian Defence, Scheveningen Sys-  
tem

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4  
4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Be2 Be7  
7.0-0 0-0 8.f4 a6 9.Kh1 Oc7 10.a4  
Re8 11.Be3 Nc6 12.Od2 Bd7  
13.Nb3 b6 14.Bf3 Rab8 15.g4 Bc8  
16.g5 Nd7 17.Of2 Bf8 18.h4 In  
Karpov-Kasparov, 1985, White had  
played 18.Bg2. 18...Bb7 19.h5 Na5  
20.Rad1 Nc4 21.Bc1 Rbc8 22.Bg2  
Nc5 23.Nd4 d5 24.e5 Ne4  
25.Nxe4 dxe4 26.b3 Na5 27.Be3  
g6 28.Rd2 Red8 29.hxg6 hxg6  
30.Oh4 Nc6 31.c3 Ne7 32.c4  
Rxd4! By sacrificing the exchange,  
Black seizes control of the h-file. This  
is made possible by the location of  
White's king & queen. 33.Bxd4 Nf5  
34.Oh3 Kg7 35.Oc3 a5 36.c5  
Nxd4 37.Rxd4 Bxc5 38.Rc4 Rh8+  
39.Bh3 e3+ 40.Kh2 Oc6 41.Oc2  
Ba6 42.Kg3 Bxc4 43.Oxc4 Qd7  
44.Bg4 Od2 45.Be2 Rd8 46.Rc1  
Rd4 47.Oc2 Ob4 48.Oc3 Rxf4  
49.Oxb4 Rxb4 50.Bc4 Be7 51.Kf3  
Bxg5 52.Ra1 Kf8 53.Ra2 Ke7

54.Rg2 e2 55.Rxe2 b5 56.Bxb5  
Rxb3+ 57.Kg4 Be3 58.Rc2 Bd4  
59.Kf4 Rh3 60.Rc8 Rh4+ 61.Kg3  
Rh8 0-1

Kasparov-Salov  
Barcelona, Spain (12) 1989  
King's Indian Attack

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 b6 3.Nc3 c5 4.e4  
d6 5.d4 cxd4 6.Nxd4 Bb7 7.Oe2  
Nbd7 8.g3 Rc8 9.Bg2 a6 10.0-0  
Oc7 11.b3 e6 12.Nd5! Exactly the  
type of super-aggressive move that  
the World Champion thrives on mak-  
ing! Energetic! Fun! 12...Ob8  
13.Rd1 g6 14.Bg5 Bg7 15.Bxf6  
Nxf6? Black is bitten by greed. He  
seeks the win when his position is un-  
safe. Better would have been  
15...Bxf6 16.Nxf6+ Nxf6. 16.Nxb6  
Rd8 17.e5 Bxg2 18.exf6 Bxf6  
19.Nxe6! fxe6 20.Oxe6+ Be7  
21.c5! Bb7 If 21...dxc5 then 22.Kxg2  
will win. 22.Re1 Oc7 23.c6 Bxc6  
24.Rac1 Rd7 25.Nxd7 Oxd7  
26.Oc4 Bb7 27.Oc7 Rf8 28.Ob8+  
Kf7 29.Rc7 1-0 Kasparov certainly  
seems to have fully recovered from  
the illness which plagued him in the  
first half of the tournament. This was  
played on April 13. Perhaps Kasparov  
was given some inspiration by cele-  
brating his 26th birthday.

Ljubojevic-Hjartarson  
Barcelona, Spain (15) 1989  
Sicilian Defence, Keres Attack

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4  
4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e6 6.g4 Nc6  
7.g5 Nd7 8.Rg1 Be7 9.Rg3 0-0  
Since White has focused development  
on the kingside, Black has chosen to  
test White's willingness to "risk it all  
for the attack". Hjartarson has consid-  
ered the tournament situation when  
formulating this idea. His opponent is  
being hunted by Kasparov in the tour-  
nament results and cannot afford to  
lose a game. If Ljubojevic is unwilling  
to commit himself to the attack, for fear  
that he may lose, then Black's superi-  
ority on the queenside will eventually  
be overwhelming and Black, as Hjar-  
tarson prognosticates, will win.  
10.Be3 a6 11.Oe2 Nxd4 12.Bxd4  
Re8 13.Oh5 Nf8 14.0-0-0 b5



15.Rdd3 b4 16.Rdf3 e5 17.Oxf7+ Kh8 18.Bb6 Bxg5+ 19.Kb1 Oe7 20.Nd5 Oxf7 21.Rxf7 Ne6 22.Bc4 h6 We see that the material is even but White's pieces have occupied better squares. 23.Rd3 Rb8 24.Ba7 Rb7 25.Rxb7 Bxb7 26.Nxb4 Bf4! Black wisely surrenders what remains of his queenside in order to invest in his one major threat: The h-pawn. Ljubojevic was now facing time pressure. 27.Rxd6 Ng5 28.Bxa6 Nxe4 29.Rd7 Bxa6 30.Nxa6 Bxh2 A race between rook pawns. 31.Nc7 Rg8 32.a4 Bg1 33.a5 h5 34.a6 h4 35.Re7 h3 36.Rxe5 g5 37.Bd4 Nd2+?? It is Hjartarson who blunders! Much better would have been 37...Kh7! 38.Kc1 Nf3 39.Rxg5+ Nxd4 40.Rxg8+ Kxg8 41.a7 h2 42.a8Q+ Kf7 43.Od5+ 1-0

### REEVE DECLINED TO PLAY

Every round had one or two time scrambles, so the spectators got to see some lively action. White won 18 times (64.3%), Black 6 (21.4%), and there were 4 draws (14.3%). A tough time for Black!

Jeff Reeve has since indicated that he will be unable to participate in the Canadian Closed Championship. The ACA is currently investigating the possibility of naming an alternate representative.

The Alberta Closed Championship is sponsored by the ACA, which looked after site arrangements, and provided some travel money to participants to help defray expenses. Thanks go to the University of Calgary Chess Club (Simba Karkhanis and Larry Manahan), and to the management of "The Cookie Jar" in MacEwan Hall which generously donated pastries and cookies during the first weekend.

[I ask the reader to consider the following: South arranges his busy

schedule to compete in tournaments that he would not, ordinarily, participate in. He did this in order to gather the necessary participation points for the Alberta Closed. Frialde apparently has been studying 5 hours per day because he wanted the right to play at the Canadian Closed. Yet the winner of the Championship, Jeff Reeve, has declined to play at the Canadian Closed and Alberta can not, according to the rules, be permitted to send a substitute.

The experience of competing in a strong round robin tournament such as the Canadian Closed had strengthened, considerably, previous Alberta players like Rob South, Jeff Reeve, Nigel Fullbrook, and Rob Hawkes.

Why should Alberta be deprived of such a developmental resource? Should all future candidates to the Alberta Championship be surveyed, should they be victorious, as to whether they intend to participate in the Canadian Closed?]

LATE BREAKING NEWS: The organizers have graciously requested an Alberta representative. South declined so Frialde may get his chance afterall!

### SOUTH ROBS SEAT IN CHAMPIONSHIP

Robert South, a master residing in Calgary, went north to Red Deer to secure one participation point. The Rural Qualifier is worth one full participation point for qualification to the Alberta Championship. All A.C.A. sponsored events are worth one full point whereas other tournaments are worth only one half point.

Robert South must use his spare time efficiently and, therefore, chooses to gain the necessary points in a minimum number of tournaments.

The 1989 Alberta Championship is a tournament of considerable importance since the winner will participate in the Canadian Championship.

Robert South was gracious enough to submit his games without analysis. He feels that the readers will profit more

handsomely from the challenge of understanding his games without the distractions of his possible dogmatic, pedantic and myopic ideas that could only be expressed, by him apparently, in an obtuse and obfuscated fashion. Tank-you, Bob!

Martinkovic-South, R.

Rural Qualifier (1) 1989

Queen Pawn Opening

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 Nc6 3.Nf3 d6 4.Nc3 Bg4 5.e3 e6 6.Be2 Be7 7.a3 d5 8.b4 0-0 9.b5 Na5 10.c5 c6 11.a4 Nd7 12.Ba3 b6 13.bxc6 Nxc6 14.Bb5 Rc8 15.Ba6 Rb8 16.Bb5 Qc7 17.cxb6 Nxb6 18.Qc2 Nb4 19.Qb3 Nxa4 20.Bxb4 Bxb4 21.0-0 Nxc3 22.Qxb4 Rxb5 0-1

South, R-Parrott

Rural Qualifier (2) 1989

French Defence

1.e4 e6 2.d3 d5 3.Nd2 Nf6 4.g3 dxe4 5.dxe4 Nbd7 6.Bg2 c6 7.Ngf3 e5 8.0-0 Be7 9.Nc4 Nxe4 10.Nfxe5 Nxe5 11.Qxd8+ Bxd8 12.Nxe5 f5 13.Re1 0-0 14.Bf1 Bb6 15.Bc4+ Kh8 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 g6 18.Rd1 Kg7 19.f3 Nf6 20.Nd3 Re8 21.Rxe8 Nxe8 22.Nf4 Kf6 23.h4 b5 24.Bg8 h6 25.Kf2 g5 26.Nh5+ Ke7 27.Re1+ Kf8 28.Be6 Ng7 29.Nxg7 Kxg7 30.hxg5 hxg5 31.Bxc8 Rxc8 32.Re7+ Kf6 33.Rxa7 Rd8 34.Ke2 f4 35.gxf4 gxf4 36.Ra6 Rd6 37.a4 Re6+ 38.Kd2 bxa4 39.Rxa4 Kf5 40.Rc4 Rd6+ 41.Kc3 Ke5 42.Re4+ Kf5 43.b4 Rh6 44.Rd4 Re6 45.Kc4 Re2 46.c3 Ke5 47.Rd8 Rf2 48.Rd3 Re2 49.Kb3 Re3 50.Kc2 Re2+ 51.Kc1 Rf2 52.c4 Ra2 53.b5 Ra4 54.b6 Rxc4+ 55.Kb2 1-0

Sullavan-South, R.

Rural Qualifier (3) 1989

Pirc Defence

1.d4 g6 2.Nf3 Bg7 3.c3 d6 4.Bg5 Nf6 5.Nbd2 0-0 6.e3 c5 7.Be2 Nc6 8.0-0 b6 9.a3 Bb7 10.b4 Qc7 11.Rc1 Rfe8 12.Qb3 e5 13.Bxf6 Bxf6 14.Ne4 Bg7 15.Neg5 Re7 16.Bc4 h6 17.Nh3 g5 18.Nfxg5 hxg5 19.Nxg5 Nd8 20.f4 Qc6 21.Qc2 e4 22.d5 Qe8 23.f5 Bh6 24.f6 Re5 25.h4 b5 26.Ba2 c4 27.Rf4 Bxd5 28.Rg4 Bxg5 29.hxg5 Be6 30.Rxe4 Bf5 31.Rxe5 Qxe5 32.Qf2 Ne6 33.Rf1 Bd3 34.Qf3 Re8 35.Rf2 Nxg5 36.Qg4 Bg6

37.Qd7 Ne4 38.Rf4 Qe6 39.Qxb5 Nxc3  
40.Qg5 Qxe3+ 41.Kh1 Ne2 42.Qxg6+  
fxg6 43.Bxc4+ Kf8 44.Bxe2 Qxf4 45.b5  
Rxe2 0-1

South, R.-Yipe

Rural Qualifier (4) 1989

Sicilian Defence

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.e5 dxe5  
5.Nxe5 Nfd7 6.Bb5 a6 7.Qf3 Qc7  
8.Qxf7+ Kd8 9.Nxd7 Nxd7 10.Be2  
Ne5 11.Qd5+ Ke8 12.0-0 Bf5 13.f4 1-0

## RED DEER OPEN

The Red Deer Open was played on the 18-19 March. There was fourteen participants from Red Deer, Lacombe, Calgary, Edmonton and Grande Prairie. Neil Sharp came clear first with a 4-0 score. Three people tied for second: Wayne Kidder, Diana Palamarek, and Dean Mah. Dean won the under 1800 prize with Bill Rusk and Ted Lockert sharing the second prize.  
TD Report: Wayne Kidder.

Sharp-Kidder

Red Deer Open 1989

French Defence, Tarrasch Variation

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 b6 4.c3 Nf6 5.e5  
Nfd7 6.Bd3 Ba6 7.Bc2 c5 8.Ne2 cxd4  
9.cxd4 Nc6 10.Nf3 Nb4 11.Bb1 Qc7  
12.a3 Nc6 13.0-0 Be7 14.Bd3 Bxd3  
15.Qxd3 f6 16.exf6 gxf6 17.Bd2 Nf8  
18.Rac1 Qb7 19.Rc2 Bd6 20.Rfc1 Rc8  
21.Bf4 Bxf4 22.Nxf4 Ne7 23.Qb5+ Kf7  
24.Rxc8 Nxc8 25.Qc6 Qxc6 26.Rxc6  
Ne7 27.Rc7 Nfg6 28.Nxg6 hxg6  
29.Rxa7 Rc8 30.g3 g5 31.Rb7 g4  
32.Ne1 Rc4 33.Rxb6 Rxd4 34.b4 Rd1  
35.Kf1 Nf5 36.Ke2 Ra1 37.Nc2 Ra2  
38.Rb7+ Kg6 39.Kd1 d4 40.Rd7 e5  
41.Kcl e4 42.Kb1 1-0

Roberts-Enevoldsen

Red Deer Open 1989

Bird's Defence

1.f4 d5 2.b3 Nf6 3.Bb2 g6 4.Nf3 Bg7  
5.e3 0-0 6.d3 c5 7.Nbd2 Nc6 8.h3 Qc7  
9.Qe2 Nb4 10.Kd1 Rd8 11.c3 Nh5  
12.Qf2 Nc6 13.g4 Nf6 14.Rb1 b5 15.d4  
c4 16.b4 a5 17.f5 axb4 18.fxg6 fxg6  
19.cxb4 Rxa2 20.Ng5 Rf8 21.Qh2  
Qxh2 22.Rxh2 Bh6 23.Ndf3 Ne4 0-1

Rusk-Enevoldsen

Red Deer Open 1989

Caro-Kann Defence

1.e4 c6 2.Nc3 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.Bb5+  
Nc6 5.Bxc6+ bxc6 6.d4 Nf6 7.Bg5 Qc7  
8.Nf3 Bg4 9.Qd3 e6 10.Bxf6 gxf6  
11.Nh4 Bd6 12.h3 Bh5 13.g4 Bg6  
14.Nxg6 hxg6 15.Qf3 Ke7 16.Ne2  
Rab8 17.b3 Qa5+ 18.Kf1 Rh4 19.Kg2  
Rbh8 20.c3 f5 21.gxf5 gxf5 22.Qd3  
Rg8+ 23.Kf1 Qa3 24.Qd2 Qa6 25.Rc1  
Bf4 26.Qc2 Bxc1 27.Qxc1 Qxa2  
28.Qd1 Qb2 29.c4 f4 30.f3 Rb8 31.Qe1  
Rbh8 32.cxd5 Qxb3 33.d6+ Kxd6  
34.Qd2 Qxf3+ 35.Ke1 Qxh1+ 36.Kf2  
Rb8 37.Nxf4 Qh2+ 38.Ng2 Rxh3  
39.Qf4+ Qxf4+ 40.Nxf4 Rb2+ 41.Kg1  
Rg3+ 42.Kh1 Rb8 43.Kh2 Rg4 0-1

Kaastrup-Mah

Red Deer Open 1989

King's Indian Attack

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.Nc3 d5 3.e4 e6 4.exd5  
exd5 5.d4 Bb4 6.a3 Bxc3+ 7.bxc3 0-0  
8.c4 Nc6 9.cxd5 Nxd5 10.Be2 Nc3  
11.Qd3 Nxe2 12.Qxe2 Re8 13.Be3  
Bg4 14.c3 Ne7 15.h3 Bh5 16.0-0 Nd5  
17.c4 Nxe3 18.fxe3 c6 19.Qf2 Bxf3  
20.Qxf3 Re7 21.Ra2 Qd6 22.c5 Qe6  
23.Re2 Rd8 24.Rb1 Qc4 25.Qf2 Qd3  
26.Reb2 Qxa3 27.Rxb7 Rxb7 28.Rxb7  
Rf8 29.Qf4 a5 30.Rb8 g6 31.Rxf8+ Kxf8  
32.Kf2 Qa2+ 33.Kf3 Qd5+ 34.Qe4 a4  
35.Qxd5 cxd5 36.c6 Ke7 37.Ke2 a3  
38.c7 Kd7 39.Kd2 a2 0-1

Kidder-Parrott

Red Deer Open 1989

French Defence

1.d4 d5 2.e4 e6 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3  
f5 6.a3 c4 7.g3 Nge7 8.b3 b5 9.a4 Na5  
10.Nbd2 Bd7 11.b4 Nb7 12.axb5 Bxb5  
13.Ng5 Qd7 14.Qh5+ g6 15.Qh4 Ng8  
16.Ngf3 Be7 17.Qf4 Bf8 18.h4 h5  
19.Bg2 Be7 20.Ng5 Nh6 21.Ndf3 Nf7  
22.0-0 Nxg5 23.Nxg5 Nd8 24.Qf3 Bxg5  
25.Bxg5 0-0 26.Bf6 Nf7 27.Ra5 a6  
28.Rfa1 Ra7 29.Qe2 Rfa8 30.Bf3 Nh6  
31.Kh2 Ng4+ 32.Bxg4 hxg4 33.Kg2  
Rf8 34.Qe3 Qh7 35.Qg5 Rfa8 36.Rh1  
Qh5 37.Be7 Qxg5 38.Bxg5 Rh7  
39.Rha1 Raa7 40.Bd8 Rhd7 41.Bb6  
Rab7 42.Bc5 Rf7 43.f3 gxf3+ 44.Kxf3  
Rh7 45.Kf4 Rbf7 46.Rxa6 Bxa6  
47.Rxa6 g5+ 48.hxg5 Rh1 49.g6 Rb7  
50.Rxe6 1-0

## 1989 U of A Open

A \$1500 guaranteed prize fund was not enough to pull in the predicted (by SC) number of players on the April 29-30 weekend (doubtless Spring Fever had something to do with it), but there was a respectable entry of 42.

Dave Ross, stopping by on his way West (he had been "out East"), paused to capture first with a score of 4.5, yielding only a draw in the final round to Arniel Frialde. Dave was also in town to help Jonathan Schaeffer "train" his computer chess program, Phoenix. The pack at 4-1 included: Frialde, Jeff Reeve (lost to Frialde), Rob Gardner, Mike Yip and Neil Sharp. Other prize winners in the various categories were: "A" - Forrest Nelson & Bill Bentley (3.5); "B" - Jim Kanester & Rod Thiel (3); "C" - Ray Gellein, Eric Schocat & Tom Asquith (2.5); "D" - Richard Allin & AJ Rankel (2); "Unrated" - Louis Wang (2). The shortfall in entry-fee money was largely made up by the gratefully acknowledged donations from the following: Forrest Nelson & Jim Kanester (Dawson Creek helping out the U of A!), Cor Dewindt, Northern Communities Chess Club, and Arniel Frialde. The free coffee and donuts on Sunday were a big hit, as was the fine playing site.

(Craig Vokey directed, Salah Chehayeb and the U of A Club organized, and Len Steele, who didn't play and wasn't there but a little while, was ordered to write this report, which, like his Alberta Closed report, etc., was sent to the Editor already on computer disk to save time --any of you who can put reports, at least the lengthier ones, on disk are asked to do so: ASCII files, PC/MS DOS 5-1/4" disks.)

	NAME	RATING	RD1	RD2	RD3	RD4	RD5	PTS
1	D. ROSS	2325	+19	+ 9	+24	+13	= 2	4.5
2	A. FRIALDE	2221	+36	=10	+ 3	+ 7	= 1	4.0
3	J. REEVE	2394	+22	+ 8	- 2	+14	+13	4.0
4	R. GARDNER	2245	+28	=11	=14	+12	+10	4.0
5	M. YIP	2143	+20	=18	=12	+16	+11	4.0
6	N. SHARP	2221	+27	+23	=11	=10	+17	4.0
7	R. PLANTE	2151	+34	=12	+23	- 2	+18	3.5
8	F. NELSON	1904	+37	- 3	=18	+20	+19	3.5
9	B. BENTLEY	1893	+38	- 1	+29	=19	+21	3.5
10	F. HANCHAR	1837	+21	= 2	+27	= 6	- 4	3.0
11	G. ASPLER	1877	f+42	= 4	= 6	+26	- 5	3.0
12	D. PALAMAREK	1843	+41	= 7	= 5	- 4	+25	3.0
13	S. CHEHAYEB	1971	+25	+26	+15	- 1	- 3	3.0
14	R. TROST	1875	BYE	+30	= 4	- 3	+26	3.0
15	P. USSELMAN	1946	+31	+33	-13	-17	+28	3.0
16	J. KANESTER	1704	-33	+25	+34	- 5	+27	3.0
17	R. THIEL	1615	BYE	BYE	+32	+15	- 6	3.0
18	D. COWARD	1719	+35	= 5	= 8	=24	- 7	2.5
19	E. SCHOCAT	1580	- 1	+31	+33	= 9	- 8	2.5
20	R. GELLEIN	1444	- 5	+36	=22	- 8	+32	2.5
21	T. ASQUITH	1458	-10	=35	+30	+22	- 9	2.5
22	C. DEWINDT	1643	- 3	+37	=20	-21	+34	2.5
23	J. KAASTRUP	1790	+39	- 6	- 7	=32	+36	2.5
24	B. BOSENIUS	2038	+32	+29	- 1	=18	---	2.5
25	R. ALLIN	1395	-13	-16	+35	+29	-12	2.0
26	AJ RANKEL	1278	+30	-13	+28	-11	-14	2.0
27	L. HUTCHINSON	1523	- 6	+41	-10	+38	-16	2.0
28	S. SIA	1566	- 4	+38	-26	+31	-15	2.0
29	M. HOLM	1535	+40	-24	- 9	-25	+37	2.0
30	C. DARTANA	1825	-26	-14	-21	+35	+33	2.0
31	L. WANG	UNR.	-15	-19	+39	-28	+38	2.0
32	G. AHLQUIST	UNR.	-24	+40	-17	=23	-20	1.5
33	I. DANIAL	UNR.	+16	-15	-19	=34	-30	1.5
34	I. HODGSON	1478	- 7	+39	-16	=33	-22	1.5
35	M. PENNINGS	UNR.	-18	=21	-25	-30	+39	1.5
36	J. TYNAN	1177	- 2	-20	BYE	=37	-23	1.5
37	M. VIRANI	1330	- 8	-22	=41	=36	-29	1.0
38	B. GEORGIJEVIC	1301	- 9	-28	f+40	-27	-31	1.0
39	J. MACNAB	UNR.	-23	-34	-31	+40	-35	1.0
40	C. MCHUGHEN	1130	-29	-32	f-38	-39	BYE	1.0
41	W. MANSON	UNR.	-12	-27	=37	---	---	0.5
42	A. WILLIAMS	UNR.	f-11	---	---	---	---	0.0

## 1988-89 Alberta-B.C. Peace River Grand Prix

The cash prizes were given out after the Swan City Open as it was the last of the five Grand Prix events. Forrest Nelson (haven't we heard enough of that name this chess season?), of course, had already wrapped up the Grand Prix overall first place (14.5 pts) and walked off with another handsome cheque to add to his amassed fortune from chess wins this season. Grant

MacTavish (I think we have heard a bit about him this year too!) finished second overall (12.0), and the Stutzman "twins" Eric and Kristen (10.0), shared the first-second "B" prizes. Other top Grand Prix point getters, but not money getters this year, were Larry Stutzman (10.5), Jim Kanester (10.0), and Mike Holm and Phil Lefkowitz (9.5). The 5 tournaments in Dawson Creek, Grande Cache, Grande Prairie (2) and Ft. St. John included 41 different players and a total of 85 "participations". While the Grand Prix did not increase the num-

bers to the extent that might have been hoped, it did put the region on the chess map, set up a well-planned, publicized schedule of chess events, and likely encouraged those who already travel to tournaments outside their own cities to continue to do so. Plans are already underway for the 1989-90 Grand Prix events and their organization. (Report by Jim Kanester, with some editorial mangling by Len Steele.)



## Swan City Classic Open Grande Prairie, April 1-2, 1989

It was not an April Fool's joke, but Forrest Nelson of Dawson Creek extended his undefeated streak to 20 games with a perfect 4 wins in the Swan City Open. Local players were asking themselves how long this streak could continue as the rating differences were not that great, but Forrest continues to roll along like Bobby Fischer, with a combination of perseverance, patience, concentration, and, when required, great defensive chess. Behind Forrest, and sharing second place overall, were Grant MacTavish, also of Dawson Creek, and Larry Stutzman of Ft. St. John. Jim Williams of Grande Prairie also scored 3 pts to win clear first B and Mike Holm of Grande Prairie was awarded the second B prize for his 2.5 pts. (The tournament was organized by Phil Lefkowitz. He also directed, with the assistance of Jim Kanester and Kristen Stutzman. Report by Jim.)

## TAKE NO PRISONERS by Greg Huber

Brian Toth and I have somewhat of a reputation for getting into some really bloody games when we play each other. I think we've only had two draws out of the countless times we have played, and the rest have seen one of us get massacred by the other. Here is an example of us exchanging scalps over two consecutive tournaments. Note the similarity of the final positions of both games. Each game saw one of our kings stuck in the centre with a horde of enemy pieces coming from all directions. The friendly pieces huddled defensively around the king granted no reprieve from the execution.

Name	Rtng	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Pts
1 F. Nelson	1904	+ 5	+ 8	+ 2	+ 4	4.0
2 L. Stutzman	1759	+ 6	+ 3	- 1	+ 7	3.0
3 J. Williams	1517	+13	- 2	+ 9	+ 6	3.0
4 G. MacTavish	1804	+ 7	+12	+10	- 1	3.0
5 M. Holm	1486	- 1	=10	+14	+12	2.5
6 G. Swayda	1470	- 2	+13	+ 8	- 3	2.0
7 K. Stutzman	1445	- 4	+11	+12	- 2	2.0
8 P. Lefkowitz	1617	+11	- 1	- 6	+10	2.0
9 R. Gellein	1407	-10	+14	- 3	+13	2.0
10 J. Kanester	1704	+ 9	= 5	- 4	- 8	1.5
11 D. Johnson	unr.	- 8	- 7	=13	+14	1.5
12 J. Seaman	1610	+14	- 4	- 7	- 5	1.0
13 S. Stinson	828	- 3	- 6	=11	- 9	0.5
14 S. Sabatino	unr.	-12	- 9	- 5	-11	0.0

### Toth-Huber (Calgary Closed) Benoni Deferred

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 d6 (The idea of this move order is to avoid some of the dangerous f4 and Bb5+ lines by first castling before e6 is played. The drawback is that black's counterplay is somewhat blunted in some lines.) 4.Nc3 g6 5.Bg5 Bg7 6.e4 h6 (An indispensable move in the deferred Benoni. Without it, white can play Qd2, and after ...e6 and ...ed is played, white recaptures with the e-pawn and black has difficulties finding play.) 7.Bf4 o-o 8.f3 (A harmless plan. More active would be Nf3, aiming at transposing into normal Bf4 lines of the Benoni after the pawns are exchanged in the centre.) 8...Nh5 9.Be3 f5 (Aiming at playing ...f4 and making e5 a permanent strongpoint for the black pieces.) 10.ef gf 11.f4 (Preventing ...f4, but now white's bishops lack activity because of the closed position.) 11...Nf6 12.Bd3 Ng4 (Exchanging off white's dark-squared B so that the B/g7 grows in strength.) 13.Od2 e6 14.o-o-o (White needed to get his king out of the centre quickly, because the e-file could have been ripped open.) 14...Oa5 15.Neg2 (The only reasonable move to avoid material loss.) 15...Bd7 (Black decides to develop his q-side before embarking on any major actions. Any immediate ex-

changes only ease white's task. For example, 15...Ne3 16.Qe3 ed 17.Nd5! Qa2 18.Nec3 and white is getting counterplay. Or, 15...ed 16.Nd5! is similar. After 15...Bd7, an quick b5 is in the future.) 16.h3?! (Better was 16.ed Be6 17.h3 Ne3 18.Qe3 when blacks queenside attack isn't nearly as strong as in the game.) 16...Ne3 17.Oe3 ed 18.cd? (18.Nd5 offered more chances. Since white loses the a-pawn by force in the game anyway, it would be better to give it up actively on this move. For example, 18.Nd5 Qa2 19.Nec3 and white's attack starts up. Black's best after 18.Nd5 is Nc6 after which black still keeps an initiative because the threat on a2 is much stronger then.) 18...b5 -/+ 19.g4 (Desperation. White cannot prevent the destruction of his queenside.) 19...b4 (19...c4 was a more efficient way of winning, although the text encounters little difficulties.) 20.Nb1 Oa2 21.Rd2 Od5 22.R1d1 Ob3! 23.Oe7 Ba4 24.Rc2 (Bb2+ was threatened.) 24...Nc6 25.Od6 Bb2+ 26.Kd2 Rad8 27.Og6+ Bg7 and White Resigns. (0-1) (White cannot avoid losing a gob of material, and probably gets mated, too. Note the position of white's king. Compare this to the position of my king in the next game, where Brian gets revenge.)

Toth-Huber (#1 7-Tournament Series)

King's English

1.c4 e5 2.g3 Nc6 3.Bg2 g6  
4.Nc3 Bg7 5.d3 d6 6.e3 Nge7  
7.Nge2 o-o 8.o-o Be6 9.Rb1  
a5 10.a3 Od7 11.b4 ab 12.ab  
f5 13.b5 Nd8 (We were each quite familiar with this opening, and these moves were all made pretty much instantly.) 14.Nd5 (Perhaps a little early. Better was Qc2, Bd2, and Rfc1 before he commits the centre.) 14...Bd5!? (The idea of this is to cement white's central pawns on white squares to make his B bad. Then, the black knight will have a nice home on c5 after b6 is played. The drawback is that c7 is weak, and the N is by no means a permanent resident of c5, and white can evict it with d4 at the proper time.) 15.cd5 b6 16.Bd2 Nb7  
17.Qc2 g5 (With white's queenside advantage, black must look to the kingside for play.) 18.Rac1 Rfc8 (Placing the N on c5 doesn't work, because of d4. Defending the c7 pawn with the R/a8 is also risky because white can defend the b-pawn and then penetrate to a7 with his R/b1.) 19.Bc3 Ng6 20.f4 (Trying to halt the rush of black pawns.) 20...gf 21.gf (21.ef Bh6 should transpose.) 21...Bh6

22.Bd2 Nh4 (Trying to pressurize the g-file) 23.fe?! (23.Ng3 would have avoided the worst of the kingside attack, although 23...ef would have left white with weak pawns for the endgame.) 23...Og7 24.Ng3 Qe5 25.e4! (The best way to obtain some chances for the pawn.) 25...f4 26.Nf5 (forced) 26...Nf5 27.ef5 Of5 28.Be4 Oh3 (All other moves are too passive. Checking on the g-file leaves black's majors uncomfortable after Kh1.) 29.Rf1 (29.d4? threatens both Bh7+ and Bf5, but black has an excellent reply in 29...Kh8!, because both bishop moves lose to Rg8+. Thus, the only effect of d4 would be to make black's king safer.) 29...Nc5 (Black doesn't have enough pieces to explode the white king on the kingside yet. Now, if white plays 30.Bf4 Bf4 31.Rf4 Qe3+ 32.Qf2 Qf2+ white would have a bad ending because of his pawns.) 30.Rbe1 Rf8 31.Bf3 (preventing ...f3) 31...Rf7 (To prevent Re7 and making Rg7+ possible in some lines.) 32.Kh1 Ra3? (Time trouble. Black mistakenly thinks he can get away with taking the d3 pawn.) 33.Qb2! Rd3? (Black had to admit his error by returning to a8 with his rook.) 34.Re8+

Rf8 (forced) 35.Rg1+ Kf7 36.Bg4 (36.Rf8+ lets black live after Bf8) 36...Oh4? (The final blunder. In anticipation of what is to come, [the winning of black's queen for a bishop] black should have played tried 36...Re8!, which creates massive complications. The game would then continue 37.Bh3 Rh3 resulting in an unclear position [especially in time trouble!], but nonetheless better for white. Black is threatening to mate white with moves like Re2 or Nd3,f3 and Nf2 mate, but white has the active 38.Qc2! Nd3 39.Qc7+ Re7 40.Qb6! Re2 41.Rg2 and white staves off the attack and wins.[40.Qd6? demonstrates the dangers in the position. 40...f3 would win.] Or, after 38.Qc2! Ne4 39.Bf4! Bf4 40.Qc7+ Re7 41.Rg7+ and white picks up the loose black pieces. Or if black tries 38...Re4 then 39.Bb4! threatens Bc5 and Qg2. Regardless, this would have been much better than the game continuation.) 37.Be1! Of6 38.Bh5+ (Oops. This is what black overlooked when calculating 32.Ra3. Kind of reminds you of the previous game, doesn't it? Black plays on for a few moves out of inertia.) 38...Og6 39.Bg6+ hg6 40.Rf8+ Bf8 41.Qg2 and Black Resigns (1-0)

## IDES OF MARCH

The university of Calgary Chess Club sponsored its second nationally-rated tournament, this year. The Ides Of March Tourney was held in MacEwan Hall on the 9th and 10th of this month. It was organized by Philip Chiu and directed by Darse Billings, RTD.

[PHIL'S NOTE: Read this blurb because I said so!!

The official name of this chess club is "The University of Calgary Chess Club", not "U of C Chess Club" as edited in all issues of the ACR. The University has paid big bucks to register, copyright or trademark the reference "The University Of Calgary".

Would the ACA be able to cash a cheque paid to the order of the Alberta Chess Society? Would you like

to be called "Graham" if your name was really "Dave"? If you like to be informal, the Chess Club" or "University Chess Club" will do fine - none of this U of C stuff!

Darse Billings was actually a National Tournament Director (NTD) at that time. A correction to that error was never sent to the Gauntlet.]

Although attendance in the tournament was quite small, the event was still considered a success. A strong field of advanced players participated in this event, despite the lack of publicity. Surprisingly, the Ides Of March Tourney also managed to draw a sizeable audience.

Tournament, Philip Chiu, was expected to win this event, handily. Unfortunately, Fred McFaul bulldozed Chiu into the dust with his stellar style

of play toward the end. This resulted in a three way split between Philip Chiu, Fred McFaul and Dale Haessel. Philip Chiu, an unconventional player of uneven temperament, muscled his way through the chess tournament by brute force. Spectators were astounded by the success of his Neanderthal tactics. James Currie, Dale Haessel and Jeff Spencer fell victim to his crude queen-and-knight attacks. These comical antics contributed nothing to the theory of chess.

"I can't understand how (Phil) manages to make something out of nothing. How can (phil) get away with such garbage? This isn't chess!" said one of the spectators, with bewilderment.

Fred McFaul, a solid, defensive chess maverick, stonewalled his opponents into submission. James Currie, Dan Cox and Philip Chiu found McFaul to

be unassailable in his fortified position, much to their dismay. After a five month lay-off from chess, McFaul was not as rusty as he would like his opponents to believe.

"I'm sure Fred's happy with his results" said another spectator. "It will help him when he goes to Las Vegas (to play chess)."

Dale Haessel, a student of the position school, took took his opponents to play out in the rain. Fred McFaul, Arthur Cay and Jeff Spencer were splashed by Haessel's fluid style of play. Although spectators were impressed by his positional treatment of his games, they had mixed reactions to his playing consistency.

"Dale is a strong player, but I foresee no large improvement (of his playing ability) in the near future" said his chess tutor, Michael Yip, after observing Haessel showing against Chui.

Haessel,Dale-McFaul,Fred

Ides Of March Tournament 1985  
1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 e6 4.Bg2 g6  
5.d3 Bg7 6.Be3 d6 7.Qd2 Nge7 8.Bh6  
0-0 9.Nh3 Rb8 10.Bxg7 Kxg7 11.0-0 d5  
12.exd5 exd5 13.Nf4 d4 14.Ne4 Qb6  
15.c4 Ne5 16.Rab1 a5 17.a3 a4 18.Qc2  
Bd7 19.b4 axb3 20.Rxb3 Qc7 21.Qa2  
Ba4 22.Rb2 b6 23.Qb1 Bc6 24.Re1 h6  
25.Rbe2 Bxe4 26.Rxe4 N5c6 27.Qd1  
g5 28.Qg4 Kh7 29.Nd5 Nxd5 30.Qf5  
Kg7 31.cxd5 Na5 32.Re7 Qd6 33.R1e6  
1-0

Chiu-Haessel

Ides Of March Tournament 1985  
1.e4 c5 2.b4 cxb4 3.a3 e6 4.axb4 Bxb4  
5.c3 Be7 6.d4 d6 7.f4 Nf6 8.e5 dxe5  
9.fxex5 Nd5 10.Qg4 g6 11.Nf3 Nc6  
12.Bd3 Bd7 13.0-0 Qc7 14.Bd2 0-0-0  
15.Na3 h5 16.Qe4 f5 17.Qe2 h4 18.Nb5  
Qb8 19.c4 Nb6 20.Rfc1 Rdg8 21.d5  
exd5 22.cxd5 Nxd5 23.e6 Be8  
24.Nxa7+ Kd8 25.Ba5+ Nxa5 26.Rc8+  
Qxc8 27.Nxc8 Bc5+ 28.Kh1 Nb3  
29.Ra8 Nc7 30.Rb8 Nd4 31.e7+ Kd7  
32.Qe5 Nc6 33.Qxc5 Nxb8 34.Qd6+1-0

Chiu-McFaul

Ides Of March Tournament 1985  
1.d4 Nf6 2.Bg5 e6 3.e4 Be7 4.Nd2 d5  
5.e5 Nfd7 6.h4 Bxg5 7.hxg5 Qxg5  
8.Ngf3 Qe7 9.c3 c5 10.Nb3 b6 11.Qd2

Ba6 12.Be2 Bxe2 13.Kxe2 c4 14.Nc1  
Nc6 15.Qc2 f516.Kd2 g5 17.Qa4 Na5  
18.Qd1 h5 19.Ne2 b5 20.a3 Nb3+  
21.Kc2 a5 22.Ra2 Nb6 23.Nd2 a4 24.f4  
g4 25.g3 h4 26.Qe1 h3 27.Rh2 Nd7  
28.Qf2 Nb8 29.Nf1 Nc6 30.Ne3 b4  
31.axb4 Nxb4+ 32.cxb4 Qxb4 33.Nf1  
Kd7 34.Nc3 a3 35.Nd2 Rhb8 36.Ndb1  
axb2 37.Rxa8 Rxa8 38.Kd1 Ra1 39.Ke2  
Rxb1 40.Nxb1 c3 41.Kd1 Nxd4  
42.Nxc3 b1Q+ 43.Nxb1 Qxb1+ 44.Kd2  
Nf3+ 45.Kc3 Nxh2 46.Qa7+ Kc8  
47.Qa6+ Qb7 48.Qxe6+ Kb8 49.Kd3  
Qb3+0-1

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## WORLD BLITZ A BUST?

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A lot of uncertainty is associated with this spectacular project but one thing is certain: It will not occur in July and is postponed until at least November.

The message is: The World Blitz is not dead...yet!

Here's the deal: An outfit, known as Emr-Curtola Films (the promoters - someone said that "promoter" is a euphemism for shyster), owns the production and filming rights to the Blitz. The organizer is another outfit, known as Associated Canadian Travellers (a "non-profit" organization registered in Edmonton, Morley Peacock is Executive Director).

The sponsors have advanced their money to the promoters. The organizers have arranged for promotions. The organizers claim that the promoters have failed to pay them \$300,000. The organizers are therefore unable to pay a dozen Calgary businesses the amounts owing for the aforementioned promotions. The City is upset because of these unpaid debts to local businesses. The City has advanced \$70,000 to the promoters and are withholding the remaining \$30,000. The Province has advanced \$50,000 and appears to be withholding the remaining \$150,000.

Re-negotiations were forced on the promoters by the City. The "production" rights were offered to the City. The Mayor of Calgary, Don Hartman, after a related council meeting, said

that the City has "the matter at hand". Whatever that means!

Perhaps, the only way that this event will take place is if the City takes over the organization. The City of Saint John took over the World Chess Festival and it was a super event. Saint John got hosed, financially, but we enjoyed ourselves!

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## REJEAN PLANTS NAME ON TROPHY by Craig Vokey

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The University Of Alberta Closed was played over six weekends in March and April. Rejean Plante won the top section with a perfect 4-0 record (neat trick, considering Rejen isn't a University student - but that's U. of A. club politics for you) although Rejean did have a close call against Lorne Russell and was lost against Don Coward until time-trouble set in.

Eric Schocat and A.J. Rankel drew their play-off game and tied for first place in the "B" Section. Samuel Sia placed third. It was remarked by several of the "experts" present (Craig & Salah) that Eric's play had improved greatly since September, although he refuses to believe them, thinking it is all a plot to make him overconfident.

The tournament was enjoyed by all and I would like to take this moment to thank Salah Chehayeb for all the work that he has done with the U. of A. Chess Club this year, bringing it from 25 to over 80 members. Indeed, Salah was a piece of the furniture at the Club this year; perhaps next year he will spend more time in class.

T.D./Organizer: Salah Chehayeb

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## Karpov a Politician?

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According to a newspaper article, Anatoly Karpov was one of five candidates for the Soviet parliament who secured seats representing peace organizations. (Spraggett for Minister of Defense?)



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## MILNE'S GAMES

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Milne (1908)-Van Ieperen (1571)  
Calgary C.C. Fall Open 1988  
Irregular

1.e4 e5 2.Bc4 Nf6 3.d3 Bc5 4.Nf3 d6  
5.c3 c6 6.b4 Bb6 (6...b5!? 7.bc bc!?)  
7.Bb3 Bg4 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.0-0 Nbd7  
10.Nc4 Bc7 11.Ne3 Be6 (11...Bh5)  
12.a4 (12.Bxe6? fe & white has a weak  
point on f4) 12...Bxb3 13.Qxb3 Nh5?!  
(13...Re8) 14.Nf5 Kh8 15.d4 (the idea is  
c4, Rd1, b5, Ba3 etc.) 15...exd4 16.cxd4  
(with a strong centre) 16...Qf6 (with the  
idea of 17.Bg5 Qe6 18.Qc2 d5 19.e5 f6)  
17.Qc2 (the weak points are c7 & h7.  
The idea is 18.Bg5 Qe6 19.d5!)  
17...Qd8 (17...h6 18.Kh1 with the idea  
of g4; 17...Rac8) 18.Ra3 (with attack)  
18...d5 19.e5 g6 (The text books al-  
ways say place your pawns on the  
squares opposite in colour to your  
bishop. As a general rule, this is true,  
but knights attack light squares from  
dark and the bishop is nowhere to be  
seen...) 20.Ng5! Ng7 (20...gf 21.Qxf5  
Ndf6 22.Rh3 Qd7 23.Qc2 with the idea  
of Rxh5 +-) 21.Nh6 Qe7?! (21...Qe8  
22.Rh3 f6 23.Nhf7+ Rxf7 24.Qxg6 Kg8  
25.Rxh7; 23...Kg8 24.Qxg6 with the  
idea of hg 25.Rh8 mate) 22.Rh3 f6  
23.Nxh7 (23...Kh7 24.Nf5+ Nh5  
25.Rxh5+ gh 26.Nxe7+ f5 27.Qd2 with  
the idea of Qh6 mate) 1-0 This is an-  
other example of Art Milne's tireless,  
instructive efforts. No one contributes  
to the ACR as much as he does and  
these games are very much appreci-  
ated by us all. Not only does he exer-  
cise keen judgement in selecting inter-  
esting games but he also exerts  
boundless energy in analysing and  
commenting on these noteworthy  
scores. Let's hope that these fine ef-  
forts never cease!

Sklenka (1735)-Milne (1908)  
Calgary Closed 1989  
Modern Defence

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 c6 4.Nf3 Qa5!?  
5.Bd2 Qc7 6.Bd3 b5 7.a3 e5! Philidor -  
the tempo saved by not playing Nbd7  
is a tempo earned. 8.0-0 Be7 9.h3 0-0

10.Be3 Re8 11.Nh2?! Weak point: d4.  
11.Ne2!? with the idea of Ng3 11...a6  
12.f4 Bd8! The idea is Bb6. Weak  
point: d4. 13.Qf3 Qe7 14.Rae1 Bb6  
Slight advantage for Black. Onto an  
active diagonal. Weak point: Bd3  
[EDITOR: This is not a comment that I  
understand]. 15.Ne2 Qa7 16.c3  
Forced. 16...Nbd7 This may be gilding  
the lily [EDITOR: Art is right but Lily  
is too young to play...Isn't she?]. The  
idea is ...c5 but 16...c5! 17.dc (17.d5? c4!  
18.Bxb6 Qxb6+ -) 17...Bxc5 18.Bxc5  
Qxc5+ with the idea Nbd7, Bb7, d5.  
The text move allows White to seal the  
centre. As a result, Black's initiative on  
the Q-side develops more slowly and  
conversely White's on the K-side  
more quickly. On the other hand, the  
closed centre will serve Black well  
when he eventually breaks on the Q-  
side. 17.Kh1! c5 18.d5 Forced. 18...c4  
19.Bxb6 Qxb6 20.Bc2 a5!? Perhaps  
20...Ra7 defending f7 which appears  
bound for attack by White. But this  
concept is a waste of time if White  
seals with f5. So Black makes a move  
he is already committed to while wait-  
ing for White to commit himself to a  
particular mode of attack. Once Black  
gets in ...b4 the initiative will pass over  
to him very quickly. 21.g4 With attack  
on the Kingside. 21...exf4 22.Qxf4 Ne5  
Slight advantage to Black. Blockade!  
The centralized knight hinders the  
coordination of all White's pieces.  
White's bishop is a spectator. 23.g5  
Nfd7 24.Ng4 Rf8 Weak point: f7.  
25.Nd4 The knight sac on f6 is un-  
sound. 25.Nf6+ gf 26.gf Kh8 27.Rg1  
Ng6 28.Qh6 Rg8 was as far as I could  
see. It seemed to me that Black's de-  
fensive resources were adequate and  
later analysis seems to bear this im-  
pression out: 29.Rg5 (with the idea of  
Qh7+) 29...Ndf8! but not 29...Nxf6  
30.Rf1 and Black folds. 25...Nxc4 To  
clear the diagonal c8-h3 for the  
bishop. 26.hxc4 Ne5 27.Nf5 Bxf5  
Forced. 28.gxf5 28.ef!? produces a  
more aggressive attacking pawn for-  
mation for White and liquidates the  
cramping pawn on e4. On the other  
hand, d5 will become a serious liabil-  
ity in time. 28...f6 Forced. 29.Rg1 fxc5  
Forced. 30.Rxc5 Rf6 With the idea of  
31...Rh6+ 32.Kg2 Rf8 and White's K-

side attack is grinding to a halt. 31.Rh5  
The only way to stop Black from  
breaking-out on the K-side. 31...Raf8  
With the idea 32...Rg6 -+ or 32...Ra7.  
32.Rg1 h6 Intending 33...Kh7 and  
White cannot muster any more threats  
against the K-side or cope with ...b4  
and, incidentally, baiting a trap.  
33.Rxh6?? 33.Rg2 Kh7 and White  
goes over to the defensive. The text  
drops a rook. 33... Rxh6+ 34.Qxh6  
Qxg1+ Most definitely a leghold trap.  
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Huber-Milne  
Calgary Grand Prix 1989  
Modern Defence

1.e4 d6! Disdaining the opportunity to  
contest Greg's "spineless" Sicilian  
Ne2 [EDITOR: The reader should refer  
to Milne's article "What To Play  
When White's A Sissy" which ap-  
peared in the January 1989 issue] with  
my own home-brewed analysis in fa-  
vour of a continuation, which the  
Czech player Pnbyl is seeking to turn  
into a variation, calculated to take  
White quickly away from his own  
'home brewed'. 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 c6  
4.Nf3 The active alternative is 4.f4  
Qb5 5.Nf3 e5!?, with sharp play.  
4...Qa5 To draw the bishop to d2,  
where it prevents White from build-  
ing-up quick pressure on the Q-file  
and has no particularly useful function  
for the tempo it allegly gained on  
Black's queen. 5.Bd2 Qc7 6.Be2 e5  
Reaching the Philidor. 7.dxe5!?! This  
move, releasing some of the tension in  
the centre, tends to make Black's cal-  
culations a little easier. 7...dxe5 8.0-0  
b5 The extended Philidor. 9.a3 Be7?!  
It is not yet clear that the bishop is best  
placed on this natural square. Alterna-  
tives are 9.a5 and 9...Na6, with pawn or  
piece play on the Q-side. 10.Ne1! A  
fine move, planning to transfer the  
knight to d3, play f4 and focus pres-  
sure on Black's strong point at e5. 10...  
Nfd7! Much better than Nbd7, since  
the Nf6 tends to be a White target, and  
the Nb8 has other move active possi-  
bilities. 11.f4 a5?! 11...Na6, bringing  
the QN into quicker play is better, with  
the idea of Nc5. 12.Nd3 Na6 Now the  
QN reaches c5 too slowly to exert any  
pressure on the White centre and

queenside. Better appears to be 12...Ra7! with the idea of ...b4 or ...Rb7, with some counterplay. 13.Bg4 Nac5 Only move. This night may as well have stayed on b8. 14.Bxd7+ Nxd7 15.Qh5! A fine active move, combining pressure on e5 with threats against the weak point f7. 15...Bf6 Not forced, but prudent. 16.Rf3 Ra7 17.Raf1 b4!? 18.axb4 Ba6 19.bxa5 Bxd3 20.cxd3 Rb7! weak point is b2 21.Kh1 Rxb2 22.fxex5 Qxa5! both players stood with fewer than 5 moves to reach the accelerated time control at move 30. The psychological temptation was almost tangible for White to hack-off the Bf6 with the e5 pawn, but Greg manages to overcome this and finds: 23.Be1!? Rc2?? Time pressure kills. After 23...Qxe5, material is level and Black's weak points are well defended. After: 24.Nd5 Qa2 25.exf6 Rxxg2 26.fxxg7 Black collapsed, eleven moves later, but not before claiming a win on time control as Greg's flag fell before move 40 (overlooking the actual time control at move 30!!) 1-0

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## JUNIOR CHESS:

### Edmonton Junior CC "First Try"

Eight players took part in the first rated Edmonton Junior Chess Club tournament, held April 8th. Munir Virani, the top (and only!) rated player, survived a couple of tough games to achieve a perfect score of 4 points. Adam Wu placed second with 3. (TD and report: Rob Gardner)

### "XIOS Gems" Tournament in Northeastern Alberta

The representatives of the region in the provincial finals of the "XIOS Gems" chess competition were de-

cidied when 45 players from grades 1-12 met in Boyle in this tournament sponsored by the Northern Community Chess Club and organized by Branko Georgijevic. Winners in each grade were: 1 - Jonas Gilbert, AES; 2 - Jacob Coonan and Hetty Hatch, Wandering River School; 3 - Christopher Tynan, Wandering River School; 4 - Glen Hatch, Wandering River School and Lana Harbin, Vermilion River School; 5 - Ashly Axenchuk, Wandering River School and Bryan Mudryk, Boyle School; 6 - Patrick Perrier, Wandering River School and Mark Madsen, Boyle School; 7 - Kary Johnson, Boyle School; 8 - Mario Abrioux, EPCS and Daryn Lamoureux, Boyle School; 9 - Quinn Franklin, Tulliby Lake School and Matthew Yurdiga, Grassland School; 10 - Ian Babych, Parkland School; 11 - Al Kaufman, Thorhild Central and Richard Yurdiga, Grassland School; 12 - Chris Huitema, Parkland School.

(We ask that organizers of other regional "XIOS Gems" events send us a report. In the next ACR we also hope to have a report on the provincial finals.)

### 1989 Canadian Cadet Championship (report by Andrew Paduch)

The 1989 Cadet took place in Toronto. It was the first time I had played in the Canadian Cadet Championship. The tournament was held at a hockey arena, and was organized by Alex Knox. Adam Litke (Ontario) is the new Canadian Cadet Champion.

I scored 3.5 points and came 7th out of 10 players. The time control was 40 moves in 2 hours, with many time scrambles providing frequent excitement. There were no adjournments due to the tight schedule of 2 rounds per day, the second round usually ending at 9 p.m., so there was no time to see Toronto.

In the first round I blundered in a winning position and lost in a drawish ending. I played very poorly for the next 3 rounds and lost. In rounds 4 and 5 I finally won, but against weaker players. In the next round I played the ending pretty well, and in a pawn-up ending I asked for a draw. The 8th round, against the eventual Cadet Champion, was a draw. In the final round I drew after 18 moves in a clearly better position. A very bad result for me.

(The CFC had issued invitations to potential qualifiers for the Cadet. The only Albertan to reply that he wished to enter was Andrew Paduch, therefore the ACA was happy to ensure his entry by appointing him as our representative and providing return air fare. LEN STEELE)

[Don't be concerned about your performance, Andrew. You were under a great deal of stress. National Championship. Big city. Travel. These things have hindered many, more experienced players and there is no reason for you to feel bad about it. EDITOR]

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### Tournament Directors' Corner (Len Steele)

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Remember to check CFC cards to be sure entrants in rated events are members for THE DURATION OF THE TOURNAMENT. The CFC gets rather irritated, and rightly so, when nonmembers are allowed to play. VERIFY expiry dates!

Get the phone numbers of entrants so that you can call if they are late for a round or, especially in Club tournaments, they miss a round (perhaps the player wants to continue in the tournament, and has a "good excuse"). The ACA Membership Director also appreciates being able to include phone numbers on membership lists.

Have trouble figuring out how to dish out prizes? Check the CFC Handbook, page 16-1, for the recommended procedures.

What does the CFC Handbook have to say about chess computers (programs)? Check page 17-1, noting point 1720 especially.

## COMING EVENTS

### Seven Tournament Series

June 23-25

July 28-30

(this is reinstated & will happen!)

At the U of C (room 237, MacEwan Hall). Rounds: Fri. @ 7 p.m.; Sat. @ 10 & 4; Sun. 9:30 & 2:30. E.F. \$25. Send to Roy Yearwood, Apt. 122, 60 Hamlet Rd SW, Calgary T2V 3C8. Call: 252-3658 (h)/252-4948 (w).

### 1989 CANADIAN OPEN

July 15-23

*Edmonton Convention Centre*

Details on the Canadian Open are provided on the back page of this issue of the *Alberta Chess Report*.

**There is still time to enter in advance and save!** You need only submit your entry with a postmark date of June 30, 1989 or earlier. A separate entry form is enclosed with this issue.

As of early June, there were 75+ entries, so it is anticipated that the final total should be well over the 100-mark.

You won't get many chances to play in such a prestigious tournament so close to home, so we urge you to participate!

***See you at the Canadian Open!***

### More Rated Tournaments

*Details on these events, as they become available, will be published in the ACR (Organizers: Send details ASAP!)*

#### Alberta 1800-and-Over & Under-1800,

Sept 9-10 (tentative dates), Red Deer. U of A Fall Open (tentatively scheduled), end of September, Edmonton.

Alberta Open, Oct. 7-9, Calgary. The *ACA Annual General Meeting* will be held on October 8th, in the morning.

Grande Cache Open (tentatively scheduled), November.

S. Alberta Open, November, Calgary.

Winter Open, December, Edmonton.

### ALBERTA CHESS CLUBS

*Please note that most of these chess clubs are "closed for the summer", reopening in September. You are advised to check if you are unsure.*

#### Calgary CC

Meets: New Rosedale Hall, 800-11 Ave NW. Wednesday, 7:00-11:00. Info: Bill Rusk (phone 286-6137, or write #9, 3302-50 St NW, Calgary T3A 2C6). The last night of the season is June 21.

#### Edmonton CC

Meets: Oliver Community Hall, 10326-118 St on Thursday evenings, starting 6:30-7:00. ECC phone number is ~~482-1484~~. Info: Mike Sekuloff (486-4036, or write 7913-160 St, Edmonton T5R 2G8). Open during the summer (except for the week of the Canadian Open). Yearly schedule available at the club.

#### Edmonton Chess Club

##### Computer Bulletin Board

Those of you with a computer and a modem can dial up the ECC's computer bulletin board (sysop is Barry Bell) at 475-0027. System is PC/MS-DOS, but others can access, given appropriate communications software.

#### Fort McMurray CC

For information on the current status of this Club, please contact Branko Georgijevic (Boyle) at 689-2476.

#### Grande Cache CC

Meets: 11001 Swann Drive, Friday, 8:00 p.m. Info: Ray Gellein (827-4589); Surj Nizzar (827-5549).

#### Grande Prairie CC

Meets: St. Patrick's Community School Library, Thursday, 7:00-10:00. Info: Phil Lefkowitz (phone 538-1903, or write 9305-74 Ave, Grande Prairie T8V 6G2).

#### Hinton CC

Meets: Hinton Municipal Library, with "group play" on Wednesdays, 5:00-8:00, and "casual play" during regular library hours. Info: Bob McIntyre (phone 865-2778, or write 270 Eaton Dr, Hinton T0E 1B0).

#### Medicine Hat CC

Meets: Thursday evenings, 7-10, at the Public Library. Info: Jerome Fitzgerald, 526-4125.

#### Northern Communities CC (Boyle)

Meets: at Branko's home (call for directions). Info: Branko Georgijevic (phone 689-2476, or write Box 558, Boyle T0A 0M0).

#### Red Deer CC

Meets: Red Deer College, room 921, Mondays, 7-11 p.m. Info: Jens Kaasstrup, 346-6380.

#### University of Alberta CC

Meets: Saturdays from about 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., l'express lounge (room 142) of the Students Union Bldg. Info: Salah Chehayeb, 462-2050. (Believed to be closed for the summer; Salah is away until September ...)

#### University of Calgary CC

Meets: MacEwan Hall. Closed for the summer (open September to March). Info: Simba Karkhanis (239-6310).

#### **\* IMPORTANT NOTICE \***

The next *ACR* will include an updated club listing - we ask **ALL CLUBS** to send us **updated information as soon as possible** as to meeting place, time, contact person, and schedule!!





# Canadian Open Chess Championship

July 15-23, Edmonton Convention Centre  
(9797 Jasper Ave)



Sponsored by the Edmonton Chess Club, on the occasion of its 80th Anniversary, and co-sponsored by the Alberta Chess Association and the Chess Federation of Canada

**\$10,000 MINIMUM  
PRIZE FUND  
-- Guaranteed!**

IGM Tukmakov (former USSR  
Champion) has confirmed his  
attendance, as has Canadian  
IGM Yanofsky!

<b>Overall:</b>	<b>\$2000, \$1000, \$800, \$700, \$600, \$500, \$400</b>
<b>By Rating Class:</b>	<b>2000-2199: \$400, \$300, \$200</b>
	<b>1800-1999: \$400, \$300, \$200</b>
	<b>1600-1799: \$350, \$250, \$150</b>
	<b>1400-1599: \$300, \$200, \$100</b>
	<b>1200-1399: \$250, \$150, \$75</b>
	<b>&lt;1200/Unr.: \$200, \$100, \$75</b>

*(Adjustments may be made to foreign and Quebec ratings to offset regional rating disparities)*

**ENTRY FEES:** If received by June 30, only \$55 (\$45 juniors); after June 30, \$75 (\$55 juniors)  
*Planning to play in the Canadian Open? -- we invite you to enter as early as possible*



**Advance entrants should check in, on site, on Saturday, July 15th, 9-noon** ← \*\*

**On-site entry 9:00-12:00 Saturday, July 15. Opening ceremony 1:30 pm** ← \*\*

CFC membership is required and, as of May 1/89, 1-year dues are \$25 (\$15 for juniors, i.e. under 18 years of age). Residents of Alberta are also required to obtain Alberta Chess Association membership (\$5 senior; \$1 junior). (note: Alberta residents who have never played in a rated tournament may deduct \$15 [\$5 juniors] from the entry fee.)

**Round Schedule:** Round 1: Saturday, July 15, 2:00 p.m.; Rounds 2&3: Sunday, July 16, 10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. Rounds 4-8: weekdays, 6:00 p.m.; Rounds 9&10: Saturday & Sunday, July 22&23, 10:00 a.m. *Local-area entrants should note the evening round schedule during weekdays ("working days")!*

Suggested Hotel: Edmonton House, 10205-100 Ave, Edmonton, AB, T5K 2B3 -- phone 1-800-661-6562 (within Canada) or 1-403-424-5555 (from outside Canada), and ask for Pam, specifying you are a chess player.

*Note: as with all National events, NO SMOKING on site.*

**If you have a chess clock, please do bring it!**

Mall entry form (enclosed) and fees to:  
Canadian Open, c/o Mike Sekuloff  
7913-160 St  
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T5R 2G8

\*\* → Special for readers of this ACR! ← \*\*



*We will accept your advance entry at the reduced rate if **POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN JUNE 30th!** Please enter now.*

