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# Editorial

by Alan Borwell

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Here we are with the penultimate edition, a little late again, but the final Winter Magazine will not be produced until early in the New Year, so that all results for this season can be included and the final edition will not leave "loose ends."

In this issue, we have the concluding article by our good friend John Knudsen on the late highly respected Swedish IM, Sture Nyman - many thanks, John, for allowing us to publish these fine contributions.

Since the Summer Magazine, George Pyrich and I attended the ICCF Congress in Daytona Beach, Florida, and George's interesting report can be found on pages 7-10. Many important decisions were taken during the Congress, particularly concerning CC Playing Rules, which will come into effect for ICCF tournaments starting after 1/1/2001. One major change will see only one time limit for Email (but two will still apply for postal).

On the playing front, the Scotland-A team is now certain of a top three placing in the first Email Team Tournament Final, and are in a very close finish for second place with the German team. Russia-A has already secured first place (see page 34). This is a fine performance by Scotland's Email quartet!

In the Scottish Championship 2000/01, Richard Beecham has made a blistering start with 6 straight wins and the League trophy will be going across the border again, with the Five Brave Englishmen now certain winners - congratulations! For the record, we give updated history of league champions.

The SCCA Email tournaments are now beginning to attract new players and Jim Anderson is to be congratulated on his efforts in controlling and promoting these new events. The longer term future of CC is likely to see a gradual (or possibly a rapid!) shift from postal to Email communication - or even more advanced technological methods.

To celebrate 21 years of the Scottish CCA Magazine, there will be an international invitational tournament beginning in 2001, details of which will be announced in the concluding edition. It is hoped that participants will include those who have contributed significantly to the Magazine over the years with regular articles, games columns, etc. and long-standing international subscribers and CC editors.

We would be delighted to receive special contributions to the Winter edition and, of course, for the new SCCA Internet Magazine, of which more details will be provided in the final issue and on the SCCA website, as indicated below.

Don't forget to visit the SCCA website regularly - it's great!!

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# SCOTTISH CCA CHAMPIONSHIP 1999/2000

[Controller - A. Maxwell]

No	Name	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Pts
1	A.N. MACMILLEN	◆	1	0		0	½	0	½	0	0	0	
2	D.R.R. ELLIS	0	◆	½	1	0		½	½	0	½	0	
3	I. MACKINTOSH	1	½	◆	1	½	1	1	1	0	1	½	7½
4	F. TEUNISSE		0	0	◆	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
5	I.F. REEMAN	1	1	½	1	◆	1	½	1	½	0	½	7
6	A.T. HISLOP	½		0	1	0	◆	0	0	0	0	½	
7	D.R. CUMMING	1	½	0	1	½	1	◆	0	0	0	1	5
8	C.R. BEECHAM	½	½	0	1	0	1	1	◆	0	0	0	4
9	T. THOMSON	1	1	1	1	½	1	1	1	◆	0	1	8½
10	C.J. LENNOX	1	½	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	◆	1	8½
11	B. MILLIGAN	1	1	½	1	½	½	0	1	0	0	◆	5½

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2	I. MACKINTOSH		◆	0	-	1			1		0	0	
3	D.R. CUMMING	½	1	◆	-		0				0	½	
4	D.R.R. ELLIS	-	-	-	◆	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	decd
5	A.T. HISLOP	0	0		-	◆			½	0	0		
6	B. MILLIGAN	½		1	-		◆					½	
7	I. SNEDDON	½			-			◆					
8	A. ARMSTRONG	0	0		-	½			◆		0	0	
9	A.C. BROWN	1			-	1				◆			
10	C.R. BEECHAM	1	1	1	-	1			1		◆	1	
11	M. MAY	1	1	½	-		½		1		0	◆	

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1	D.R. CUMMING	◆	1	1	1	0	½	-	3½
2	H.S. FLOCKHART	0	◆	0	½	0	½	-	1
3	M. JESSING	0	1	◆	1	½	1	-	3½
4	G. SAXTON	0	½	0	◆	½	0	-	1
5	I. SNEDDON	1	1	½	½	◆	1	-	4
6	B. THOMPSON	½	½	0	1	0	◆	-	2
7	C. WALLACE	-	-	-	-	-	-	◆	w/d

## Section B

No		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Pts
1	A.C. BROWN	◆	1	1	1	½	1	½	5
2	W.M. COOK	0	◆	1	1	0	0	0	2
3	J. COPLEY	0	0	◆	0	½	0	0	½
4	S. HILTON	0	0	1	◆	½	0	0	1½
5	G. LLOYD	½	1	½	½	◆	½	½	3½
6	B. MILLIGAN	0	1	1	1	½	◆	½	4
7	I. SNEDDON	½	1	1	1	½	½	◆	4½

# CANDIDATES 2000/2001

## Section A

No		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Pts
1	A.C. BROWN	◆					1	1	
2	W.M. COOK		◆	0			1	½	
3	B. GOODWIN		1	◆	1	½	½	1	
4	D. HARVEY			0	◆		½		
5	I. SNEDDON			½		◆	1	1	
6	B. THOMPSON	0	0	½	½	0	◆		
7	S.M. YOUNG	0	½	0		0		◆	

## Section B

No		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Pts
1	I.S. CAMPBELL	◆			0	1		0	
2	J. COPLEY		◆	0	½	1		0	
3	D.R. CUMMING		1	◆		1			
4	D. EDNEY	1	½		◆	1	1		
5	S. HILTON	0	0	0	0	◆	0	0	0
6	G. LLOYD				0	1	◆	½	
7	I. SNEDDON	0	1			1	½	◆	

# PREMIER TOURNAMENTS 2000

## SECTION A

No		1	2	3	4	5	6	Pts
1	M. EDWARDS	◆	½	0	0	0	1	1½
2	D. HARVEY	½	◆	½	1	1	½	3½
3	J.M. HERRIES	1	½	◆	1	1	½	4
4	T.F. McAINSH	1	0	0	◆	0	0	1
5	I.W.S. MITCHELL	1	0	0	1	◆	½	2½
6	G.A.A. MURPHY	0	½	½	1	½	◆	3

## SECTION B

No		1	2	3	4	5	6	Pts
1	D. CRICHTON	◆	½		1	½		
2	M. EDWARDS	½	◆	0	½	0	½	1½
3	S. HILTON		1	◆	0	0		
4	A. KNOX	0	½		◆	0		
5	G. LLOYD	½	1	1	1	◆	1	4½
6	G.R. McDONALD		½			0	◆	

## SECTION C

No		1	2	3	4	5	6	Pts
1	R. BEACON	◆	0	1	1	1	0	3
2	A.G.E. BIRD	1	◆	½	½	1	½	3½
3	C. DOWELL	0	½	◆	½		½	
4	R. MALCOLMSON	0	½	½	◆	0	½	1½
5	G.A.A. MURPHY	0	0		1	◆	½	
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2	D. CRICHTON	11	◆	11	00	½½		
3	S. HILTON	00	00	◆	0½	00	00	½
4	R. LOUGHRAN	10	11	1½	◆			
5	A.C.W. ROBSON	11	½½	11		◆		
6	S.M. YOUNG			11			◆	

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4 ♗xd4 g6 (Accelerated Dragon, B34)

# MAJORS 2000

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1	R. BEACON	◆	10		11	½½	
2	J. GRANT	01	◆		11		
3	C.R. JAMES			◆	00	00	
4	T.F. McAINSH	00	00	11	◆	00	2
5	C. McINTEE	½½		11	11	◆	

No	SECTION B	1	2	3	4	5	Pts
1	J. CASSIDY	◆	00	00	00	00	0
2	R. LOUGHRAN	11	◆	00	10	11	5
3	J. MORROW	11	11	◆	11	11	8
4	A.R. PETRIE	11	01	00	◆	11	5
5	R.E. ROUGH	11	00	00	00	◆	2

No	SECTION C	1	2	3	4	Pts
1	J. ARMSTRONG	◆	00	10	00	1
2	R.B. CROSBIE	11	◆	11	½	
3	J.W. KILGOUR	01	00	◆	00	1
4	P. MacKENZIE	11	½	11	◆	

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2	D.W. COOPE	11	◆	00	11	00	11	6
3	C. McINTEE	11	11	◆	11	01	11	9
4	P. MOIR	11	00	00	◆	1½	11	5½
5	J. RAWLINSON	1½	11	10	0½	◆	11	7
6	R.E. ROUGH	00	00	00	00	00	◆	0

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2	S. HILTON	0 0	◆	0 0	0 0	0
3	J. ANDERSON	0½	1 1	◆	0 0	2½
4	I. SNEDDON	1 1	1 1	1 1	◆	6

No	Q205	1	2	3	4	Pts
1	P. MOIR	◆	½½	0 0	0½	2½
2	R.B. CROSBIE	½½	◆	1 1	0 0	3
3	D. SALTER	1 1	0 0	◆	0 0	2
4	F. TEUNISSE	1½	1 1	1 1	◆	5½

No	Q206	1	2	3	4	Pts
1	A.G.E. BIRD	◆	1½	1 1	1 1	5½
2	A.C.W. ROBSON	0½	◆	1 1	½½	3½
3	P. MACKENZIE	0 0	0 0	◆	0½	½
4	A. WRIGHT	0 0	½½	1½	◆	2½

No	Q207	1	2	3	4	Pts
1	J.W. KILGOUR	◆	0 0	Def	0 0	0
2	C. McINTEE	1 1	◆	1½	1½	5
3	G.R. McDONALD	Def	0½	◆	0 0	½
4	D.R. CUMMING	1 1	0½	1 1	◆	4½

## SCCA E-Mail Tournaments

[Controller : Jim Anderson]

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The Controller will try to arrange groups of approximately equal playing strength whenever possible. Group winners receive certificates and games are eligible for SCCA grading.

The time control is 10 moves in each 60 days.

SCCA e-mail rules will apply. You can obtain a copy from the web site or if you only have e-mail (no access to the Web) then e-mail me at <james.anderson3@virgin.net> and I will send you a copy.

Entry is free to all SCCA members, who may play in as many groups as they choose throughout the year. Non-SCCA members (from any country) are allowed to enter one free group. If they would like to play in further groups, then they must become SCCA members (membership form available from website).

If anybody would like more information then please contact me (details are below).

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1	Hilton, Stephen	◆	-	-	-	w/d
2	Proffitt, Chris	-	◆			
3	Boyd, Bill	-		◆		
4	Moir, Pat	-			◆	

2000 EM002 (Start 27 June)		1	2	3	4	Pts
1	Macmillen, Andrew	◆		-		
2	Loughran, Robert		◆	-		
3	Hilton, Stephen	-	-	◆	-	w/d
4	Mackenzie, Peter			-	◆	

2000 EM003 (Start 31 July)		1	2	3	4	Pts
1	Sigurdsson, Johann	◆	-			
2	Hilton, Stephen	-	◆	-	-	w/d
3	Petrie, Allan		-	◆		
4	Anderson, Jim		-		◆	

2000 EM004 (Start 13 Nov)		1	2	3	4	Pts
1	Beacon, Robert	◆				
2	Macmillen, Andrew		◆			
3	Petrie, Allan			◆		
4	Wallace, Bruce				◆	

2000 EM005 (Start 28 Nov)		1	2	3	4	Pts
1	Clapham, Bob	◆				
2	Katz, Carol		◆			
3	Claudio, Antonio			◆		
4	Macmillen, Andrew				◆	

2000 EM006 (Start 28 Nov)		1	2	3	4	Pts
1	Loughran, Robert	◆				
2	Hellmann, Torsten		◆			
3	Alders, Joop			◆		
4	Boyd, Bill				◆	

2000 EM007 (Start 28 Nov)		1	2	3	4	Pts
1	Moir, Pat	◆				
2	Tjeltveit, Herbjorn		◆			
3	Bali, Anurag			◆		
4	Petrie, Allan				◆	

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# Scottish CCA League 2000

## Division 1 [Controller: Peter Jack]

### A KIRKCALDY KINGS

1	T. Thomson	v E1		
2	G.D. Pyrich	v D2	1	1
3	G. Saxton	v C3	0	0
4	I. Marshall	v B4	0	0
5	S. Donohoe	v F5		

### B FIVE BRAVE ENGLISHMEN

1	P. Coleman	v D1	1	1
2	D. Chambers	v C2	½	½
3	D. Barnes	v F3	1	1
4	A. Rawlings	v A4	1	1
5	A. Robertshaw	v E5	½	

### C PERTSHIRE CORRESPONDENTS 6

1	A.P. Borwell	v F1	½	½
2	I. Mackintosh	v B2	½	½
3	Dr. A.C. Brown	v A3	1	1
4	D. Harvey	v E4	1	½
5	I.W.S. Mitchell	v D5	½	0

### D SOCIAL CCA 4

1	F. Foldvary	v B1	0	0
2	R. Baker	v A2	0	0
3	D. Price	v E3	½	½
4	S. Murray	v F4	½	1
5	B. Sheppard	v C5	½	1

### E BLACK KNIGHT

1	G.R. Sprott	v A1		
2	G. Phillips	v F2	1	
3	I. Reeman	v D3	½	½
4	A.T. Hislop	v C4	0	½
5	I. Sneddon	v B5	½	

### F BUSMAN'S HOLIDAY

1	G. Lloyd	v C1	½	½
2	R. Malcolmson	v E2	0	
3	R. Loughran	v B3	0	0
4	A. Petrie	v D4	½	0
5	C.R. James	v A5		

## Division 2 [Controller: Jim Anderson]

### A KINGSTON-UPON THAMES

1	Chris Briscoe	v E1
2	Nick Grey	v D2
3	Jonathan Young	v C3
4	John Grant	v B4
5	Derek Coope	v F5

### B SOCIAL CCA "B"

1	A. Rowland	v D1
2	Stephen Hilton	v C2
3	S Taylor	v F3
4	Geoff Rossed	v A4
5	Gavin Ross	v E5

### C KNIGHT SAC

1	Tom Tait	v F1
2	Ian McKechnie	v B2
3	Robert Holland	v A3
4	Phil Tait	v E4
5	Peter Thomson	v D5

### D SUPER KINGS

1	Alan Armstrong	v B1
2	Bernard Milligan	v A2
3	David Cumming	v E3
4	Robert Crosbie	v F4
5	Martin Keen	v C5

### E SOCIAL CCA "C"

1	R. Ansell	v A1
2	Chris Dowell	v F2
3	Mike Gifford	v D3
4	B. Tonks	v C4
5	G. Asm	v B5

### F BRUTAL REALISM

1	J.S. Murray	v C1
2	A. Thomson	v E2
3	P. Coffield	v B3
4	W. Taylor	v D4
5	P. Lewis	v A5

## 21 Years of Scottish CCA League - Champions Roll of Honour

1978-79	Shettleston
1979-80	Chess Suppliers (Scotland)
1980-81	Perth Correspondents
1981-82	Chess Suppliers (Scotland)
1982-83	Perth Correspondents
1983-84	Chess Suppliers (Scotland)
1984-85	The Establishment
1985-86	The Establishment
1986-87	Chess Suppliers (Scotland)
1987-88	Streatham & Brixton
1988-89	Streatham & Brixton / The Establishment /Black Knight

1989-90	Streatham & Brixton / Crowwood
1990-91	Knights of the Square Table
1992	Streatham & Brixton / Knights of the Square Table
1993	Perth Correspondents
1994	Knightmare
1995	Bourne End Bucks
1996	Black Knight
1997	Perth Correspondents
1998	Five Brave Englishmen
1999	Kirkcaldy Kings
2000	Five Brave Englishmen!

## Number of Wins (including joint wins)

4 x	Chess Suppliers (Scotland) Perth Correspondents Streatham & Brixton
3 x	The Establishment
2 x	Black Knight Knights of the Square Table Five Brave Englishmen

1 x	Shettleston Knightmare Bourne End Bucks Crowwood Kirkcaldy Kings
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# CHALLENGE TOURNAMENT

[by Bernard Milligan]

Christmas will soon be upon us so I will take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

It's been a pretty quiet season so far with very few requests for additional pairings. Unfortunately, this has meant that when I have received the odd one it has taken longer than usual for pairings to be arranged. Currently at the time of writing this, I have one player wanting more games. Remember in the Challenge Tournament you can request additional opponents at any time so if most of your games have ended, why not drop me a note for a few new starts? The more people I have requesting, the easier it is for me to arrange games.

**Pairings** since the Summer magazine are as follows: -

## Class 1

G Lloyd (264) L15,

## Class 2

C Almarza-Mato (317) 337,  
J P Jack (L15) 264,  
R Loughran (337) 317,

**Results** since the Summer Magazine are as follows: -

043 J McMenemy	0	2	V A Proudler	L34	233 R Crosbie	1	1	R Loughran	337
043 J McMenemy	0	2	R Malcolmson	376	L15 J P Jack	0	1	J T Ellison	396
315 A R Petrie	0	2	A C W Robson	357	166 D R Cumming	1½	½	J T Ellison	396
317 C Almarza-Mato	2	0	J F Rutherford	356	108 J Cassidy	2	0	T F McAinsh	261
L15 J P Jack	0	2	A C W Robson	357	315 A R Petrie	½	½	V A Proudler	L34
317 C Almarza-Mato	0	2	A C W Robson	357	315 A R Petrie	0	1	D R Cumming	166
L15 J P Jack	1½	½	R Crosbie	233	317 C Almarza-Mato	½	1½	R Crosbie	233
312 C R James	1½	½	A C W Robson	357					

## Readers' Letters



We'd be pleased to hear from you with your views and suggestions about the Association. Letters will be published in the Magazine, with appropriate responses, for the interest of all members/subscribers.

Results of games in all tournaments should be reported to the Tournament Controller immediately on completion of each game. If any of the results shown against your name in this magazine are incorrect, please inform your Tournament Controller so that a correction can be made in the next issue.

## Major / Minor / Quartets / Challenge

Entries can be made at any time. New pairings will be arranged when there are sufficient new players to do so.



# ICCF Congress – Daytona, Florida, USA 16<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2000

[by George D. Pyrich, Scottish CCA Delegate]

The Millennium Year ICCF Congress, in conjunction with meetings of the ICCF Presidium and various other committees, was held at Daytona Beach Hilton Oceanfront Resort Hotel from 16 – 22 September 2000. The Congress, in keeping with ICCF policy to hold its annual Congress outwith Europe once every 4 years and held for the first time in North America, was hosted by the US Federation, ICCF-US, led by Max Zavanelli, until recently ICCF Zonal Director for North America, and his wife, Ruth Ann Fay. Max and Ruth Ann, as well as being very hardworking and efficient organisers, were also very gracious and generous hosts. Upon arrival everyone was presented, along with the usual pack of papers containing congress timetables, reports and agendas, with a baseball cap with a distinctive black and white chequered pattern and also bearing, in large bold letters, the inscription "ICCF". Many delegates, this writer included, soon discovered that these caps, which drew some puzzled looks from local Daytona residents, were essential requisites, offering much-needed protection from the fierce Florida sun! In all, a total of 61 delegates and officials, from 4 continents, as well some 30 other family members, took part in the Congress.

Distinguished guests included both US World CC champions, Hans Berliner and Vytas Palciauskas and the Executive Director and Chief Executive Director of the United States Chess Federation (the US over-the-board organization), George De Feis. For the first time, a delegate, Hirokaz Onoda, arrived from Japan whilst Congress veteran, Ted Bullockus (USA), was attending his 25<sup>th</sup> Congress. This writer was delighted to have 2 volumes from his sizeable library, "The Chess Analyst" by double US CC Champion Jon Edwards and "The System" by 5<sup>th</sup> World CC Champion Hans Berliner, autographed by their authors, both of whom were attending the Congress!

Daytona is a fairly large town situated on the Atlantic coast of Florida, roughly half-way between the state capital Jacksonville and Miami. It is a popular holiday resort for Americans whilst foreign visitors largely favour Orlando, some 60 miles to the east, with its numerous Disney attractions. This writer suspects that most visitors to Orlando miss out on Daytona's beautiful and unspoilt 30 miles of beach, its quieter and more laidback and less commercialised ambience, as well its numerous excellent hotels and restaurants. Also, Daytona enjoys worldwide fame amongst motor-racing enthusiasts for its magnificent race track, which hosts the "Daytona 500" annually.

ICCF Congresses are always truly cosmopolitan gatherings, where the brotherhood of chess is always much in evidence. Regular international cc players are well aware of the poor postal services still offered in many countries throughout the world, notably in Africa, Asia and Latin America. This writer, as well as all the other delegates, was greatly impressed when he received news of the generosity of Argentinian chess

players who, under the leadership of ICCF South American Zone Director, Carlos Cranbourne, had recently arranged the purchase and presentation of a "top of the range" new PC to the members of the Cuban CC organisation in Havana. It should perhaps be remembered that, only a few years ago, ICCF membership of the Cuban Federation was temporarily suspended owing to that country's extremely poor international postal service at that time.

Immediately prior to the opening of the Congress, there was the customary local entertainment, which this year took the form of a rhythmic gymnastic and dance performance by a group of local children, as well as a superb recital by a local "barber shop" quartet. Their moving rendering of the popular Irish ballad "Danny Boy" was greatly appreciated by everyone, as were their other well chosen numbers.

Opening the Congress, the ICCF President, Alan Borwell (SCO), expressed his pleasure that Congress had crossed the Atlantic to the USA, a country rich in chess tradition, spanning from Paul Morphy to Bobby Fischer. He especially referred to the successes of the 2 World Champions from the USA, Hans Berliner (the 5<sup>th</sup>) and Vytas Palciauskas (10<sup>th</sup> champion), who were both attending the Congress. He also referred to the many outstanding American CC organisers, some of whom have been involved in international and zonal activities, and he offered a very warm welcome to all of the US representatives.

The President then paid tribute to the late Walter Muir, the "Dean of American CC" and ICCF Honorary Member, who had died just before the dawning of the new Millennium, and to other notable CC players and officials who had died since the last meeting. Congress then stood in silence, to the memory of all departed CC friends.

Thereafter, the President acknowledged the contribution of the USA Delegate, Max Zavanelli, who, until recently, had been ICCF Zonal Director for the North America /Pacific area, for establishing an effective and efficient "umbrella" organisation for international purposes, and expressed the hope that, from this excellent base, the various US CC bodies would work more closely together in the future to achieve an even greater unification.

He then reflected briefly on the Presidential themes of recent Congresses, before introducing the theme for this Congress, the renewal of ICCF's Playing Rules. In his opinion, shared by all present, ICCF required Rules which enabled flexibility for all forms of correspondence chess and which would encourage more chess players to participate within the ICCF framework, whatever the means of transmission used. He then emphasised the need to provide a Rules framework which would ensure player enjoyment and interest, whilst minimising stress, and suggested 3 key goals, namely clarity, simplicity and flexibility.

Following the approval of the Minutes of the previous year's Congress, presentations of ICCF Honorary Memberships were conferred upon Carlos German Dieta (ARG) and Olympiad's Tournaments Director, Roald Berthelsen (NOR) in recognition of their long and very distinguished service to ICCF. Additionally, a Bertl von Massow gold medal for 15 years meritorious international service was awarded to Abraham Raul Ramirez (ARG), whilst former General Secretary and World CC Champion, Dr. Fritz Baumbach (GER), the new ICCF North America Pacific Zone Director, Ralph Marconi (CAN), Joseph Deidun (CAN), Ernst Kotzem (GER) and the principal organiser of last year's Congress, George Walker (SWZ) all received Bertl von Massow silver medals, for 10 years meritorious service.

Thereafter the Congress approved an amendment to the ICCF Statutes whereby there can be only one ICCF member federation per country, from 1/1/2001. One effect of this will be that CAPA (ARG) will cease to be an additional member federation, with Argentina being solely represented by principal long established federation, LADAC.

The main business of the Congress began with the Report of the General Secretary, Alan Rawlings (ENG) who announced that, although there were no new members this year, there were ongoing negotiations with 2 prospective new members. Congress then unanimously agreed that delegated authority should be given to the General Secretary, in consultation with the relevant Zonal Director and the President, to allow provisional membership of ICCF to any applicant national CC organisation body which satisfied ICCF Statutes and the normal criteria for admission. Any such provisional membership would, of course, require confirmation by the next Congress but any such provisional member would acquire all membership rights, with the exception of voting rights, with immediate effect. Unfortunately, the Congress was then asked to approve the suspension, with immediate effect, of the Ukrainian CC federation which had failed to meet its financial obligations with regard to ICCF membership fees, despite the ultimatum issued at last year's Congress in Thun, Switzerland. Alan Rawlings was then able to advise Congress that there were now 62 countries with federations having active ICCF membership.

The next item on the agenda was the presentation of the Treasurer's Report by Carlos Flores (ESP). Carlos reported that, during 1999, total expenditure, some 73,000 CHF, had exceeded income, some 53,000 CHF, producing a loss in the year of 20,000 CHF. Congress noted a main reason for this loss was that expenditure for the exceptionally well attended Thun Congress had been particularly high, the new allowances for non delegate officers had become operative and that over 8'000 CHF had been reported too late for inclusion in previous years accounts. Encouragingly, there had been an increasing trend in entries for the E-Mail events and from the Direct Entry scheme.

Very noteworthy was the revelation that membership income received from member federations, based on their membership numbers, is currently only about one third of what it was in the early 1980s. However, Carlos reported the excellent performance of the ICCF investment portfolio, due in no small measure to the

efforts of Martin Christoffel, the Assistant Treasurer, based in Switzerland, and delegates noted that ICCF's Accumulated Funds stood largely unchanged at circa 138,000 CHF.

Thereafter, Congress accepted the adoption of a 3 year Financial Plan, effective from 1 January 2001, proposed by the President, designed to stabilise ICCF's finances and enable necessary development activities to be progressed. The main clauses of the plan involved the increase of membership fees from 30 CHF per 100 members to 50 CHF for member federations, but with sizeable concessions for the new and smaller members, simplification of the tournament fee structure but with increased entry fees for most ICCF tournaments and the creation of a separately stated Development Fund. Detailed operational budgets would be linked to this Plan to achieve ICCF objectives.

The main item of the Congress Agenda was the presentation of revised Playing Rules by the Deputy President (Rules), Ragnar Wikman (FIN). Acknowledging the work of the late Reg Gillman, embodied in the current Playing Rules, but also taking account of the changes made inevitable by the worldwide expansion of the Internet, Ragnar presented a new, revised set of Rules. Discussion by delegates of this item took almost 2 full days and, at one time, threatened to almost totally disrupt the Congress schedule. Fortunately, the situation was retrieved by some resourceful "time trouble" manoeuvres by officials and delegates!

Ragnar announced that the ethos of the new Rules was flexibility and fairness, serving rather than enslaving the players, ensuring the success of the best player and not the best rules manipulator, allowing the application of "common sense" by all parties and the promotion of a playing environment which supported the spirit of "Amici sumus". After extensive debate, both in Congress and in Committee Session, and following some modifications reflecting majority opinion, the resultant changes to the 4 main sets of Rules were finally approved by the Congress, to be effective for tournaments starting on and after 1/1/2001. Hopefully these new Rules will soon be available to all SCCA members. Meantime, the main changes can be presented as follows:

#### Postal Individual and Team Tournaments:

- (i) The abolition of the requirement to use Registered Mail and Recorded Delivery for repeating moves and making time exceeding claims.
- (ii) The possibility of tournaments being played with different time controls, is included.
- (iii) The possibility of mutual agreements on time control and delivery date when electronic transmission is used, is included.
- (iv) Rule 8d, cancelling leave if a player makes a move during leave, is deleted.

#### E-Mail Individual and Team Tournaments

- (i) The possibility of tournaments being played with different time controls is included.
- (ii) The game is lost when the time limit is exceeded for the first time (no second time control, but only applicable for E-Mail events!).
- (iii) The standard time control will become 10 moves in 60 days.
- (iv) Rule 8d, cancelling leave if a player makes a move during leave, is deleted.

However, in addition to these and other changes, the Congress also agreed that consideration of Rule 9, concerning the treatment of withdrawals and presently unchanged, would continue next year, when a more definitive proposal would be drafted and presented by the Rules Committee. Additionally, the General Secretary would endeavour to arrange for the availability of (as a minimum) the Individual Postal Rules in all ICCF official languages (English, French, Spanish, Russian and German). Also, to improve service to players, Web-based rules guidelines will be introduced, to include a code of conduct, FAQ with detailed clarification on common and awkward situations, to be made available for both Tournament Directors and players. Much of the work on these new measures will be overseen by newly appointed ICCF Rules Commissioner, Dr. Ian Brooks (ENG).

Referring to the ICCF Tournament Rules, Ragnar indicated that, owing to the size of the task and because this was an area in a rapid state of flux, because of the speed of technological innovation, the planned extensive revision of the Tournament Rules would be deferred until next year's Congress.

However, the Congress did debate and approve changes to the regulations governing the award of the Grandmaster and Senior International Master titles. With regard to the former title, Congress approved the amendment of the clause concerning the requirement that applicants must have had at least 5 games against Grandmasters, whereby 1 or 2 of this quota may be substituted by 2 SIM players each. Concerning the latter title, Congress effectively abandoned the sole principle adopted at the Riga Congress in 1998, that "a Senior International Master should be an experienced and consistent International Master". Additionally, it was agreed to adopt entirely new qualification requirements for this title with the introduction of Senior International Master norms (based upon rating performance levels of 2500 or higher, rather the 2450 level for the International Master norm) effective for events starting on or after 1 October 2000. However, part-qualifications currently held by players and based solely upon IM norm performances would remain valid, as will IM norms achieved in events in progress before the start of the Florida Congress and, of course, existing SIM titles are unaffected. Proposals for changing the qualification rules for the International Arbiter title were also tabled but Congress resolved to defer these until next year, when it is hoped that a planned review of Arbiter titles and qualification standards will have been completed.

Once all Rules business had been completed, the Congress was then able to devote itself to the items remaining on the agenda. Firstly, the ICCF Ratings Commissioner, Gerhard Binder (GER), reported on the successful transition to 2 Ratings Lists per calendar year and the continuing growth of the ratings system. The most recent list, dated 1 October 2000, which was made available to coincide with the Congress, contains results of all games completed in the first half of 2000, 16,391 in all and taken from a total of 6,084 players in 1,258 tournaments and 124 country matches!

The Eloquary database, maintained by Gerhard, now holds records of 28,870 players worldwide! Gerhard also reported that the main List now includes a total 9,508 players, of whom 5,661 hold Fixed Ratings (30 or

more results). The Congress also noted a change in the method of the publication of the List. Owing to the consistent increases in costs of production and distribution, caused in some part to the change to the preparation of 2 Lists per year, future printed Lists would be available only to those who are able to download these in Adobe format from the "iccf.com" website. However, the list can be viewed at the ICCF website by those with Internet facilities.

Viewers can appreciate the additional features which are now available, including the superb "self-calculator" facility. Players can "enter" notional results in respect of their current games and witness the resulting effect upon their ratings! Of course, everyone at the Congress was very appreciative of Gerhard's efforts on behalf of ICCF, not only for his hard work but also his very considerable technical expertise.

In my Report to Congress as Qualifications Commissioner, I was able to confirm the award of new titles to 14 Grandmasters, 2 Lady Grandmasters, 70 Senior International Masters, 125 International Masters (including Tom Craig and Doug Finnie), 7 Lady International Masters and 6 International Arbiters. Additionally, Congress gave its approval to title norms in respect of numerous new World, Continental, Team and Invitational events. ( Editor :- As usual, George presented his report very clearly and Congress was able to reach decisions based on the information which he provided)

Following the Reports of the various Zonal Directors, the Controller of the World Tournament Office, Gian-Maria Tani (ITA), was presented. Congress was pleased to note that the downward trend entries for postal events, experienced in previous years, appeared to have been arrested in 1999, with entries at much the same level as 1998. Early indications were that the move introduced last year to merge the old 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Class tournaments into new Open Class events has been successful. The Email Tournament Office Controller, Chris Lüers (GER), confirmed the growing popularity of ICCF Email events, where entries had increased from 188 in 1996 to 1045 in 1999. Congress also noted that Email entries for the first 6 months of 2000 totalled an encouraging 631, continuing a now well-established substantial upward trend.

The Congress then gave its approval to various proposals for new title tournaments scheduled to commence during the coming year, including a total of 16 invitation events organised by member federations (this list includes our own "SCCA Bulletin 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary" Email event, scheduled to commence around May/June 2001 with 15 players). Additionally, in consideration of the ever-increasing numbers of Email and postal title events, the Congress approved the establishment of the new post of ICCF Title Tournaments Commissioner to assist the Deputy President (Tournaments), to take responsibility for all aspects covering administration and promotion of ICCF individual and team title tournaments, including the establishment and maintenance of a register of qualifiers in World and Continental Championship events.

The Congress unanimously approved the appointment of Ing. Josef Mrkvicka (CZE) as ICCF Title Tournaments Commissioner, with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2001.

Following some discussion, Congress then unanimously approved the adoption of a new set of "Guidelines for ICCF approved International Open Tournaments", allowing member federations to organise their own International Open events, subject to certain constraints and conditions with regard to rules, entry fees and a rating levy fee for registration.

The Congress, noting that ICCF's 50<sup>th</sup> birthday falls during 2001 (born in London in March 1951!), then gave its approval to a planned programme of events to mark this 50<sup>th</sup> Jubilee. Presently now planned are an Email "Champion of Champions" event, which all 8 living World Champions will be invited as well the winner of the current 15<sup>th</sup> Final, "Amici Sumus" tournaments for ICCF officials and delegates, an Open Email Cup style tournament, open to all with free entry, and an Open Postal tourney, also open to all and with free entry. Winners of both these Email and Postal Open events will be guaranteed places in a future World Championship Final and other finalist will win free entry rights to stages of future World CC Championships. Full details of these various events and entry arrangements, will be announced early 2001.

The report of the ICCF Web Master, Søren Peschardt (DEN), was very well received by the Congress. Søren's comprehensive report included full details of his and his helpers work during the year (including the updating of some 1660 tournament cross-tables!) He noted that there had been a 50% increase in the average daily number of daily visitors to the ICCF website to almost 700 with almost twice this number during busy periods, such as the publication of a new ICCF Rating List. Søren also reported that the introduction of live games had proved a great success as had the ICCF Games Archive, presently holding some 10,000 CC games available for easy downloading.

Additionally, the "Game of the Month" feature, edited by 10<sup>th</sup> World Champion Vytas Palciauskas (USA) had been introduced at the beginning of the year to considerable acclaim. The "Friend of ICCF" award, introduced in 1999 to recognise websites which gave excellent support by promoting ICCF in the publication of ICCF news and information, was bestowed, with unanimous approval, upon the website of the Brazilian CC federation, CXEB [www.cxeb.org.br](http://www.cxeb.org.br)

The Congress was somewhat disappointed to note that there had been little progress made in marketing matters during the preceding year, following the creation of the new Marketing Commission under Marketing Director, Pedro Hegoburu (ARG).

Congress then gave its approval to a clever modification to the ICCF logo to embrace both postal and Email CC. In recognition of the increasing influence of technological communications, a small Email @ motif will now be incorporated, replacing one of the "envelopes" on the right side of the letters "ICCF".

The Congress decided to defer the launch of the "ICCF 2000" book until the 2001 Congress and also to re-focus it as an "ICCF 50<sup>th</sup> Jubilee" publication. The Congress acknowledged and expressed its appreciation of the efforts of all those involved to date in this project and expressed its confidence in its ultimate success.

Other matters considered by Congress, included the presentation of a paper by Evelin Radosztics (OST), considering how to attract more women to CC, and it was decided to set up a working group, headed by the General Secretary, to report to the 2001 Congress with proposals. Development of Junior Email CC will also be considered.

A "President's Commission", with 5 members headed by the President, will review the structure, operating practices and Statutes of ICCF and bring to the Congress its recommendations for any changes.

Finally, the Liaison Officer to FIDE, Gerhard Radosztics (OST), reported that FIDE had for some years not seemed at all interested in active collaboration with ICCF and noted that all external matters were now really the responsibility of the ICCF President. Congress agreed with his proposal and the ICCF President expressed grateful thanks to Gerhard for his efforts over the years. The President advised Congress he that he had been in contact with FIDE officials in recent months and relationships were good and friendly - he would continue dialogue.

In closing the 2000 Congress, the President thanked the Host Federation, and all those who had helped with arranging the Congress, especially Ruth Ann and Max Zavanelli and all the delegates and officials for their diligence and constructive contributions. He expressed hope that we would all meet again for the Jubilee Congress in Rimini !

As always, not all of the time of the Congress is taken up with business matters. In the customary schedule of social events, the SCCA's representative (not this writer!) gave a good account of himself in the traditional blitz tournament, won by the Lithuanian delegate, Marijonius Rocius, with Konstantin Sanakoyev, son of World Champion Gennadi, in second place, whilst all participants greatly enjoyed a friendly match over 20 boards between teams representing ICCF-US and ICCF-World, won by the latter.

This year's annual outing took the Congress participants to the Kennedy Space Centre where everyone greatly enjoyed a fascinating and exciting visit looking back at some of mankind's greatest technological achievements of the 20<sup>th</sup> century and forward to its plans for exploring the solar system in this century. Of particular interest amongst all the numerous exhibits, was the hangar holding the complete Saturn V three-stage rocket (the actual rocket which, were it not for the abandonment of the programme, would have been used and not be a model!).

At the closing banquet, traditionally hosted by ICCF, the Congress delegates toasted the success and development of ICCF, as well as a successful future for CC in USA, before expressing thanks for the kindness and hospitality of gracious American hosts.



# A Life of Chess

[Dave Savage]

I was helping old Bruce to clear out his store room last year, when we started reminiscing about chess.

"How did you start playing chess," I asked.

"Oh," says Bruce, "that was a long time ago. One of my mates at school had a pocket chess set. We used to take turns for a game at playtime..... behind the bike sheds to get away from the football. Then I joined the school chess club, even though it meant staying after school, just like a detention. But it was worth it, especially for those away matches for the school team. We had to miss classes to travel and no teacher came to keep us in hand."

"It has proper chess then, always P-K4 as an opening, even a proper chess language, with moves like K Kt x Kt Kt 4.

After I left school I joined the local chess club. I soon realised that I needed more than "Chess for Beginners" as I lost most games in the opening. So I started collecting books, which was fine until they changed to algebraic notation - you know how I hate foreign languages."

"Mind you, we had some fun when we met in the back room of the Station. Were you there the night Willie challenged Pete to a 5-minute lightning game, for a pint, just before closing time? Half way through, Pete missed the clock and knocked Willie's pint into his lap! What an uproar! Pete would have been better losing on time, as Willie milked him for pints for weeks afterwards."

"How did you start postal chess?" I asked.

"Because I kept losing games by forgetting the book lines. I was moaning to Don one night after yet another quick defeat, when he suggested it. So I gave it a go, sure I would win everything. I even tried some international games, even though I had to learn another foreign language!"

"What! Did you write to them as well, Bruce?" I exclaimed with surprise.

"No! Don't be daft! Well, yes, if they wrote to me in English," replied Bruce. "I meant that numeric notation. I keep transposing numbers. Why do I always lose a piece when I do it, while others get away with correcting an impossible move?"

"That's just life, Bruce, it's never been fair!"

Just then I came across a bundle of old chess score sheets. When I drew Bruce's attention to them, he eagerly looked at them.

"These are some of my old chess team games; they must be 60 years old. Look, board 4 and I won . . . . . but the chess looks dreadful. Look, fools mate as an opening! Did I really play such rubbish. Now I've got all the opening books and lose to new moves."

"What you need, Bruce, is a good chess database," said I.

"Sounds good," Bruce replied, "but I'm too old now to learn another new language. I got young Kevin to show me his. It looked good, but I couldn't understand a word he said. Sounded like double Greek or something."

I told Bruce he should asked Craig as he was not into the jargon quite the same.

We stopped talking chess then, as it was time to take the useful things to the charity shop. I did not see Bruce again for ages, not even at the chess club. Then, last week, I met him at the post box as I sent off my latest move. "Hi, Bruce, long time no see! Have you given up the chess?"

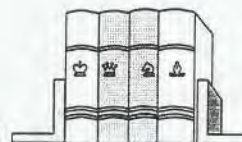
"I've not had time for the club," said Bruce. "I took your advice and had a word with Craig. He's got me onto the internet now, so I play by Email. The moves come back before you have forgotten the game. Important that, at my age. And I can look up every game ever played so there will be no more losing to new moves. I should win every game now!"

I smiled to myself. After all, we all play chess because we think we can win.



# NEW BOOKS

reviewed by Alan Borwell



## Gambit

Publications Limited

**The Taimanov Sicilian**  
by Graham Burgess  
208 pages, £14.99

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This book includes coverage of all lines beginning 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 e6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nc6, from the "pure" Taimanov with Nge7 and the more popular Qc7. There are many transpositions possible, particularly into the Scheveningen variations.

Indexing is a little disappointing in terms of variations and the inclusion of recent illustrative games would have enhanced its readability.

I am always a little suspicious when it is claimed that "all analysis has scrupulously computer checked." However, this is a useful detailed coverage of a very sound opening.

**The Ultimate Chess Puzzle Book**  
by J. Emms  
240 pages, £16.99

This book contains 1000 positions, ranging from some quite easy ones to the last 100 which are described as being "extremely tough." There are many puzzles included which have not been published before (which is welcome!)

For people who travel (e.g. on slow moving trains etc!) this book will help to "while away the hours" and improve your tactical awareness.

Rather expensive for a puzzle book.

## Batsford Books

**The Hedgehog**  
by Mihai Suba  
156 pages, £14.99

An interesting coverage of this hyper-modern defence in which Black accepts an apparently cramped formation, but which has resilience and durability. Using 100 main games, there are many examples where Black takes advantage of White over-committing by launching decisive counter-attacks.

GM Mihai Suba, who is a former Romanian Champion and now lives in Spain, is a widely acknowledged expert on the Hedgehog. He has produced an excellent book which will be invaluable to addicts of this defence and players of the white pieces who have to face it.

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**Sicilian Grand Prix Attack**  
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The use of an immediate 2 f4 or deferred 2 Nc3 and 3 f4 is one of the most aggressive ways for White to counter the Sicilian. It leads to very complicated double-edged positions which are ideal for modern CC play.

Author GM Jim Plaskett does not appear to have delved into the wealth of material available from CC play and there are many games included by Hebden, Hodgson, Short and Plaskett himself.

However, with 92 games, nicely presented, there is a good coverage of all main variations, with theoretical developments from recent master play.

Jim has a direct style of writing (as well as playing) and this produces an entertaining and useful book for players with either the white or black pieces.

**It's your Move**  
by Chris Ward  
144 pages, £14.99

50 carefully chosen puzzles using the "test yourself" concept, with readers given a choice of 5 plausible plans in each position. Instructive, especially for less strong players, this would be an excellent Christmas gift for an improving young player.

**Khalifman : Life & Games**  
by Gennady Nesis  
208 pages, £16.99

Here we have a book written by a very famous Russian chess trainer and top correspondence GM, covering the life and chess career of the current FIDE World Chess Champion.

Alexander Khalifman was a surprise winner of the 1999 World Chess Championship played in Las Vegas, emerging from the gruelling month-long knock-out competition.

This book was originally written in Russian and has been translated (and typeset) by Ken Neat. It contains 97 selected games, well annotated and nicely presented. Unlike some current super GMs, Khalifman has a broad opening repertoire and a distinctive style.

One of his favourite strategies is the sacrifice of material for longer term positional compensation. Therefore, his games are well worth studying by correspondence chess players, as this is excellent strategy for successful CC play nowadays.

Whether Alexander Khalifman's reign as World Champion will be long must be rather doubtful, but he adds a refreshing dimension to the period when other "Ks" have tended to dominate OTB chess!

Perhaps there is some advantage for chess players in having a name beginning with K!?

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## NYMAN

by John C. Knudsen

### VI WORLD CORRESPONDENCE CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 1968-1971

This was Nyman's last appearance in the finals, and his -1 result was a fairly solid one, despite several losses to the top players in the table. Again, it is important to note that only two points separated places 4-10, and these places were hotly contested! [See crosstable at the end of this article].

#### Nyman,S - Kellner,J [C10]

VI World Correspondence Chess Championship,  
1968-1971

[Notes by ICCM Allan Savage]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.♟c3 ♘e7

This was apparently Kellner's pet variation. He played it five times in the 6th CC world championship, scoring 2/5, including a draw with Zagorowsky. Nyman was the only opponent to answer with 4 ♟f3, which was also Bobby Fischer's choice (see below).

4.♟f3 ♟f6 5.♙d3

Here Fischer played 5.e5 (Fischer-Blaine, Simultaneous 1964), though it is doubtful if this game was widely known by 1968. After 5...♟fd7 6.♙d3 c5 7.dxc5 ♟xc5, White had a slight edge. A better choice for Black may be 5... ♟e4!?

5...b6

A novelty. The usual move is 5...c5, which Kellner played some years later against Muir (Correspondence, 1974).

6.e5 ♟fd7 7.♟e2 c5

Quite playable was 7...♙a6, forcing the trade of the light-squared Bishops.

8.c3 ♟c6

Better was 8...♙a6, though the position still holds dangers for Black after the sharpest reply 9.♙b1! Note that this position can also be reached via the Tarrasch Variation (!): 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 ♟d2 ♟f6 4 e5 ♟fd7 5 ♙d3 c5 6 c3 b6 7 ♟f3 ♙a6 8 ♙b1! ♙e7 9 ♟e2.

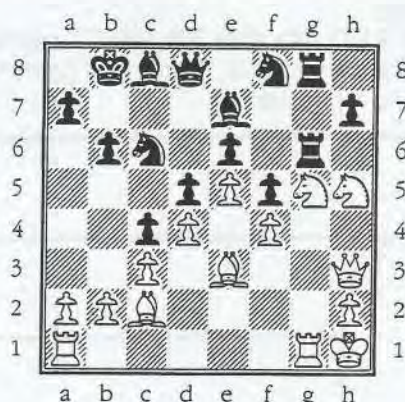
9.0-0 ♙b7 10.♟e1 ♟c7 11.♙e3 0-0-0 12.f4

They have transposed to a position that could have arisen from the variation 3... ♟f6 4 ♙d3, where Black has played the innocuous 4... ♙e7 instead 4...c5.

12...f5 13.g4 c4 14.♙c2 g6 15.gxf5 gxf5

Possible but risky was 15...exf5 Black's idea would be to post a Knight at e6 and eventually use his Kingside pawns to storm the White King. The drawback is the weakened pawn support of his centre. A plausible continuation would be 16.b3!? ♟a5 17.♟f3 ♟f8 18.♟g5!? ♙xg5 19.fxg5 ♟e6 20.h4, with the idea ♙c1-a3-d6. After the text, the control of the Kingside ultimately passes to White, due to Black's lack of space in that sector.

16.♟h1 ♟hg8 17.♟f3 ♟g6 18.♟g1 ♟dg8 19.♟f1 ♟b8 20.♟h3 ♟f8 21.♟g3 ♙c8 22.♟h5 ♟d8 23.♟g5



23...♟xe5?

Sad to say, Black must sit tight in this unpleasant position and wait for White to build up with ♟g3, ♟ag1, ♙d3, b3, etc. His only other reasonable option is to play ...b5-b4 in order to create a target at c3. While the text move "brilliantly" wins a pawn, the resulting position leaves Black in a bind and White all the winning chances.

24.fxe5

If 24.dxe5 then 24...d4 leads to an attack due to White's vulnerability on the long diagonal, but it is not decisive! The best I could find for Black is 25.cxd4 ♙xg5 (25...♙b7+ 26.♟f3 ♟d5 27.♟af1 ♟g4! 28.♟f6! doesn't work.) 26.♟xg5 ♙b7+ 27.♟g1 ♟xg5+ 28.fxg5 ♟xg5+ 29.♙xg5 ♟xg5+ 30.♟f1 Now 30...♟d2 is probably best, but Black surely doesn't have enough compensation. Perhaps Nyman saw some ghosts, but the text move turns out to be quite practical.



24...♙g5 25.♞xg5 ♞xg5 26.♟f6 ♞g1+ 27.♞xg1  
♞xg1+ 28.♔xg1 ♚e7 29.♚h6

Black's extra pawn is virtually useless and only White can significantly improve his position.

29...b5 30.a3 a5 31.♔f2 ♔a7 32.h4 ♙d7 33.h5 ♙c6  
34.♔e2 ♔b7 35.♔d2 b4 36.axb4 axb4 37.♟g8 ♞f7  
38.♞g5 bxc3+ 39.bxc3 ♙e8 40.♙d1 ♔c8 41.♟h6  
♞a7 42.♞f6 ♞a3 43.♟g8 ♔c7 44.♞g7+ ♔d8 45.♙c2  
♙c6

If 45...♙h5 then 46.♞b7 is decisive as the White Queen and Knight co-operate beautifully in a winning attack.

46.♞f6+ ♔d7 47.h6 ♙b5 48.♞f7+ ♔d8 49.♞b7 ♙d7  
50.♙d1! ♞a2+ 51.♔e1 ♞a3?

Black must play 51...♞a5, though after 52.♞b8+ ♙c8  
53.♞d6+ ♟d7 54.♔d2, White will win the h-pawn and eventually the game.

52.♞b8+ ♙c8 53.♞b6+ ♔e8

If 53...♔d7 54.♙a4+! ♞xa4 55.♞d6+ and mate next.

54.♙h5+ ♟g6 55.♟f6+ ♔f7 56.♞c7+ ♞e7 57.♙xg6+  
1-0

### Nyman,S - Harseth,S [B50]

VI World Correspondence Chess Championship  
1968-1971

[notes by ICCM Allan Savage]

1.e4 c5 2.b3 ♟c6 3.♙b2 d6 4.♟f3 ♟f6!?

ECO confirms that 4...e5 equalizes at once. Since 4  
Nf3 has been played, it is cumbersome to achieve f2-  
f4, which is White's strategic break after ...e5. This is  
one reason that most players prefer to play 4 ♙b5  
instead of 4 ♟f3.

5.e5 dxe5

Also playable is 5...♟d5 6.♙b5 ♙d7, which transposes  
to Rogers - Ostermyer, Biel 1984.

6.♟xe5 ♞d5?

The simple way to equalise appears to be 6...♟xe5  
7.♙xe5 ♞d5. The text move is very unfortunate.

7.♟xc6 ♞xc6 8.♟a3!

With this move and its simple threat, White gets a  
strong initiative and continually embarrasses the black  
Queen, culminating in a big lead in development.

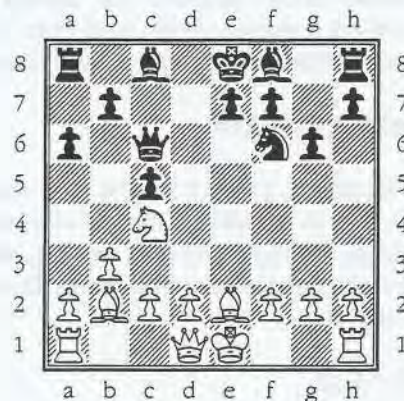
8...a6?

This weakening of the Queenside will be beautifully  
exploited. It was better to hurry development with  
8...♙d7 9.♟c4 e6 and be willing to give up the two  
Bishops if 10 ♟e5.

9.♟c4 g6?!

If 9...b5, then 10.♟e5 ♞c7 11.a4! which forces Black  
to make some positional concessions. But this was  
still the lesser evil, as the text move weakens the long  
diagonal which ultimately proves fatal.

10.♙e2!?



A bluff that Black should have called. On 10...♞xg2  
11.♙f3 ♞h3 (11...♞g5 12.♞e2! threatening both 13  
Nd6+ and 13 Nb6 Rb8 14 Be5.) 12.♞e2! ♞e6  
(12...♙g7 13.♟d6+ ♔f8 14.♟xb7 greatly favours  
White.) 13.♞xe6 ♙xe6! 14.♟d6+ (14.♙xb7 ♞a7 is  
equal, also.) 14...exd6 15.♙xb7 ♞a7 16.♙xf6 ♞g8=.

10...♙e6?! 11.♙f3 ♙d5 12.♙xd5 ♞xd5 13.0-0 ♞c6?

Necessary was 13...♞d8.

14.♟a5 ♞c7 15.♞f3! 0-0-0

Black is lost. If 15...♞b8 16.♙xf6 exf6 17.♞xf6 wins a  
pawn in an overwhelming position.; Obviously  
15...♞xa5 16.♞xb7 ♞d8 17.♙xf6 is also not playable  
for Black.

16.♟c4 ♞c6

Black is forced to make this ugly move (his sixth with  
the Queen!), since the threat of 17 ♙e5 will force it  
anyway. The resulting endgame is hopeless, as  
Black's shattered pawns can be picked off at will.

17.♞xc6+ bxc6 18.♙c3 ♞g8 19.♞ae1 ♟g4 20.♞e4 h5  
21.h3 ♟h6 22.♟e5 ♔b7 23.b4!

White's lead in development extends to the endgame.  
Since 23...cxb4 would open the b-file for both white  
Rooks and be immediately fatal, Black must lose his  
first pawn.

23...c4 24.♟xc4 ♟f5 25.♟a5+ ♔b6 26.♞c4 ♞d6  
27.♞e1 f6 28.♞c5 ♔c7 29.♟b3 ♔b6 30.♞a5 1-0

After 30... ♞d8 31 ♟c5 ♞a8 32 ♞e6, Black can hardly  
move without losing more material. A beautiful and  
logical game by Nyman.

**Jansen,C – Nyman,S [D55]**

VI World Correspondence Chess Championship,  
1968-1971

[Notes by ICCM Allan Savage]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.♟c3 ♞f6 4.♙g5 ♙e7 5.♞f3 h6  
6.♙xf6 ♙xf6 7.cxd5

Today, this move is rarely played in this position. Karpov has favored 7.e3 0-0 8.♞d2 and Kasparov 7 e3 0-0 8 ♞c2. Transposing to the Exchange Variation at this juncture apparently holds no terrors for Black, as it is infrequently adopted by strong players. Seirawan played it versus Short and Lutz in Wijk an Zee 1995, but achieved nothing from the opening.

7...exd5 8.e3 0-0 9.b4 ♙e6

By this continuation, played for the first time in this game, Black tries to do without the move c7-c6, which creates a target for the traditional minority attack. In most subsequent games with this move, Black played a later ...c6 anyway.

10.♙e2 ♞d6 11.a3

Not the best move; better is 11.♞b3 Subsequent games have shown that the a-pawn should be available to advance to a4 to meet a possible ...b5 (after ...c6) with a5, preventing the manoeuvre ...♞d7-b6-c4.]

11...♙f5?!

Moving this Bishop again looks like an error. White should now play 12 ♞b3 attacking d5, answering 12...c6 with 13 b5, thus achieving this key thrust when Black cannot answer with ...c5 due to the inadequately defended d-pawn. This is one reason the black Bishop usually stays posted at e6 for a while.

12.0-0 ♞d7

It is interesting to compare this position with Wilder – Chow (World Youth Team Ch., 1986), which was identical except the Black c-pawn stood on c6. In our game, White failed to exploit Nyman's loss of tempo ...♙e6-f5 and thus Black was able to favourably avoid the move ...c6.

13.♞b5?

This move gets White into some trouble. Correct was 13.♙c1 ♙fc8 14.♞a4! or 13 Na4!? at once.

13...♞b6 14.♙c1 ♙fc8 15.♞d2?!

Another plan is 15.♞b3, as the b-pawn is going to need protection.

15...a5! 16.♞b3 axb4 17.axb4 ♙e7! 18.♞c3

Not 18.♞c5 c6 19.♞c3 ♞xb4

18...♞f6 19.b5 ♙b4

Black has won the battle on the Queenside.

20.♞c5 ♙a3! 21.♞3a4 ♞a5 22.♙a1 ♙xa1 23.♞xa1 ♙a8

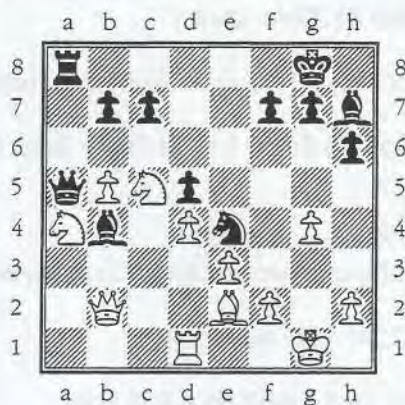
Black threatens to play ... ♙xc5 but somehow White holds on by his fingertips.

24.♞b2 ♞e4!

Avoiding the trap 24...b6 25.♞a6 ♙xa6 26.bxa6 ♞xa4 27.♙a1 which wins for White. Now, if 25 ♞xe4 ♙xe4 26 ♞c5 (26 ♙a1? ♙c3!) ♙xc5 27 dxc5 ♞a2 28 ♞xa2 ♙xa2 29 ♙e1 ♙c2 and Black wins the endgame. So White strikes out on the other side.

25.g4!? ♙h7 26.♙d1

Now 27 f3 is a threat. If 26 f3 at once, then ♞xc5 27 ♞xc5 ♙d2 28 ♞f2 ♙e8 and Black wins.



26...c6!?

This looks like a very strange move but despite appearances, Black has little more than a slight advantage here and finds it difficult to improve his position further.

27.f3??

White miscalculates badly. After 27.bxc6 bxc6 (27...b6 doesn't work after 28.♞xe4 ♙xe4 29.♞b3! Fritz – if 29...♞xa4 30.♞xa4 ♙xa4 31.c7 ♙a8 32.♙a6+-) 28.♙d3! ♙xc5 29.♞xc5 ♞xc5 30.♙xh7+ ♞xh7 31.dxc5 ♞a2 32.♞xa2 ♙xa2 33.♞f1.

27...cxb5 28.♞b6 ♙a3 29.♞b3

Perhaps White missed that 29.♞xb5 is answered by 29...♞c3!, winning in all variations.

29...♞xb6 30.fxe4 ♙xc5 31.dxc5 ♞xc5 32.♙xd5 ♙a1+ 33.♙d1

On the alternative 33.♞f2 then 33...♞e7 wins. If then 34.♙xb5 ♞h4+; or if 34 ♙f3 ♞h4+ 35 ♞g2 ♙xe4!

**33...♞c8 34.♔f2 ♘xe4 35.♞e5 ♞c6 0-1**

Here are Nyman's remaining games from the VI World Correspondence Chess Championship:

**Hybl,J – Nyman,S [D59]**

VI World Correspondence Chess Championship, 1968–1971

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.♖c3 ♘f6 4.♙g5 ♙e7 5.e3 0-0 6.♗f3 h6 7.♙h4 b6 8.cxd5 ♘xd5 9.♙xe7 ♞xe7 10.♘xd5 exd5 11.♙e2 ♙e6 12.♞a4 c5 13.♞a3 ♞c8 14.0-0 ♘d7 15.♞fc1 ♞f8 16.dxc5 bxc5 17.♘d2 ♞ab8 ½-½

**Karker,N – Nyman,S [C83]**

VI World Correspondence Chess Championship, 1968–1971

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4 ♘f6 5.0-0 ♘xe4 6.d4 b5 7.♙b3 d5 8.dxe5 ♙e6 9.c3 ♙e7 10.♙e3 ♘c5 11.♙c2 ♙g4 12.♘bd2 ♘e6 13.♞b1 ♙h5 14.a4 b4 15.a5 ♙g6 16.♘b3 ♞b8 17.♞d1 bxc3 18.bxc3 ♞b5 19.♙xg6 hxg6 20.♞c2 ♞c4 21.♘bd4 ♘exd4 22.♙xd4 ♘d8 23.e6 ♘xe6 24.♘e5 ♘xd4 25.♙xd4 ♞c5 26.♞a4+ ♞b5 27.♞xb5+ axb5 28.♙xd5 ♙h5 29.g4 c6 30.gxh5 cxd5 31.hxg6 fxg6 32.♞d1 ♙xa5 33.♙xd5 ♙a1+ 34.♔g2 ♞b1 35.♘xg6 ♙f6 36.♞c5 ♔d7 37.c4 bxc4 38.♙xc4 ♔e6 39.♘f4+ ♔f5 40.♘h5 ♙b5 41.♘g3+ ♔g6 42.h4 ♙b2 43.♔f3 ♙a2 44.h5+ ♔h6 45.♞c6 ♔h7 46.♘e4 ♙h4 47.♙e6 ♙a4 48.♙e5 g6 49.♔g2 ♙xf2 50.♔xf2 gxh5 51.♙xh5+ ♔g6 52.♙g5+ ♔f7 53.♔e3 ♔e6 54.♔f4 ♔d7 55.♙g6 ♙a5 56.♔e3 ♙a1 57.♘c3 ♙e1+ 58.♔d4 ♙e6 59.♙xe6 ♔xe6 ½-½

**Ljungdahl,J – Nyman,S [D58]**

VI World Correspondence Chess Championship, 1968–1971

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.♖c3 ♘f6 4.♙g5 ♙e7 5.e3 h6 6.♙h4 0-0 7.♗f3 b6 8.♞c2 ♙b7 9.♙xf6 ♙xf6 10.cxd5 exd5 11.0-0-0 c5 12.h4 g6 13.dxc5 ♙xc3 14.♞xc3 ♞e7 15.h5 ♞c8 16.♔b1 ♙xc5 17.♞e5 ♞xe5 18.♘xe5 g5 19.♙e2 ♘a6 20.♘d7 ♙a5 21.♙xa6 ♙xa6 22.♘f6+ ♔g7 23.♘d5 ♙b7 24.e4 ♙e8 25.f3 ♙xd5 26.exd5 ♞d8 27.d6 ♞c5 28.♞d4 ♞c6 29.♙hd1 ♞d7 30.b4 a6 31.a4 ♔f6 32.♔b2 ♔e6 33.♙e4+ ♔f6 34.♞ed4 ½-½

**Nyman,S – De Carbonnel,H [B44]**

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1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 ♘c6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4 e6 5.♘b5 d6 6.♙f4 e5 7.♙e3 a6 8.♘5a3 ♘f6 9.♘c3 ♙b8 10.♙g5 b5 11.♘d5 ♞a5+ 12.♙d2 ♞d8 13.♙g5 ♞a5+ 14.♙d2 ♞d8 15.♙g5 ½-½

**Nyman,S – Estrin,Y [C88]**

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1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4 ♘f6 5.0-0 ♙e7 6.♙e1 b5 7.♙b3 0-0 8.d4 exd4 9.e5 ♘e8 10.♙d5 ♙b8 11.♘xd4 ♘xd4 12.♞xd4 c5 13.♞d3 d6 14.♙f4 dxe5 15.♙xe5 ♙d6 16.♘c3 ♞c7 17.♞g3 ♙xe5 18.♙xe5 ♘f6 19.♙ae1 ♙b7 20.♙xb7 ♙xb7 21.♞f3 c4 22.♘d5 ♘xd5

23.♞xd5 ♞d7 24.♞c5 ♞c7 25.♙d5 ♙xc5 26.♙xd7 ♞c6 27.♙e7 g6 28.f3 ♙f6 29.♔f2 ♞c8 30.♔e3 ♞cc6 31.♙d8+ ♔g7 32.♙ee8 h5 33.h4 ♙ce6+ 34.♙xe6 ♙xe6+ 35.♔d2 ½-½

**Nyman,S – Kauranen,R [B88]**

VI World Correspondence Chess Championship, 1968–1971

1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 ♘c6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4 ♘f6 5.♘c3 d6 6.♙c4 e6 7.♙b3 ♙e7 8.♙e3 0-0 9.♞e2 ♞a5 10.0-0-0 ♘xd4 11.♙xd4 ♙d7 12.f4 ♙c6 13.♔b1 e5 14.♘d5 ♙xd5 15.exd5 exd4 16.♞xe7 ♞b6 17.♞e2 ♙fe8 18.♞d3 ♙e4 19.♙he1 ♙e3 20.♙xe3 dxe3 21.♞e2 ♙e8 22.c3 ♞c5 23.♞d4 ♞c8 24.♙d1 g6 25.♔c1 ♔g7 26.♞f3 ♙e7 27.♙e2 ♙e8 28.g4 ♘e4 29.f5 ♙e5 30.♞d3 ♘f2 31.f6+ ♔g8 32.♞d4 h6 33.♙b4 ♞c8 34.♙c4 ♞d8 35.h4 ♞d7 36.a4 ♞d8 37.h5 g5 38.b3 ♔h8 39.♔b2 ♔g8 40.♔a3 ♔h7 41.b4 ♔g8 42.b5 ♔h8 43.♔b4 b6 ½-½

**Nyman,S – Rittner,H [C18]**

VI World Correspondence Chess Championship, 1968–1971

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.♖c3 ♙b4 4.e5 c5 5.a3 ♙xc3+ 6.bxc3 ♘e7 7.♞g4 ♞c7 8.♞xg7 ♙g8 9.♞xh7 cxd4 10.♘e2 ♘bc6 11.f4 ♙d7 12.♞d3 dxc3 13.♙b1 0-0-0 14.♙e3 ♘f5 15.♙f2 d4 16.h3 f6 17.exf6 e5 18.g4 e4 19.♞xe4 ♙ge8 20.♞d3 ♞xf4 21.♙g2 ♙xe2+ 22.♔xe2 ♙e8+ 23.♔f1 ♙e3 24.♞c4 ♘d6 25.♞a4 ♙e2 26.♔xe2 d3+ 27.cxd3 ♙xa4 28.♙hc1 ♘d4+ 29.♔f1 c2 30.♙xd4 ♞xd4 31.♙xc2+ ♔d8 32.♔e2 ♙b5 33.♞d2 ♘e4 34.♙xe4 ♞xe4+ 35.♔f2 ♞f4+ 36.♔e2 ♞e5+ 37.♔f2 ♞xf6+ 38.♔g1 ♞d4+ 39.♞f2 ♞xd3 40.♙bb2 ♞g3+ 41.♙g2 ♞e3+ 42.♔h2 ♞e5+ 43.♔g1 ♙c6 44.♙bd2+ ♔c7 45.♞c2 b5 46.g5 ♔b6 47.g6 ♙xg2 48.♙xg2 ♞d4+ 49.♔h2 ♞g7 50.h4 a5 51.h5 b4 52.axb4 axb4 53.♔g1 b3 0-1

**Nyman,S – Sanakoev,G [B38]**

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1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 ♘c6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4 d6 5.c4 g6 6.♘c3 ♙g7 7.♙e3 ♘f6 8.♙e2 ♙d7 9.♞d2 a6 10.0-0 0-0 11.h3 ♞b8 12.a4 b6 13.b3 ♞b7 14.♙ab1 ♙ac8 15.f3 ♙fe8 16.♞fc1 ♙b8 17.b4 ♘xd4 18.♙xd4 ♘h5 19.♙e3 f5 20.♘d5 fxe4 21.b5 ♘g3 22.bxa6 ♙xa6 23.♘c7 ♞a5 24.♞xa5 ♘xe2+ 25.♔f2 bxa5 26.♘xe8 ♙b2 27.♙xb2 ♙xb2 28.♙e1 ♘c3 29.♘c7 exf3 30.gxf3 ♘xa4 31.♙d2 ♘c5 32.♙xe7 a4 33.♘d5 a3 34.♙g5 ♘d3+ 35.♔e3 a2 36.♙xd7 a1♞ 37.♔xd3 ♞f1+ 38.♔c2 ♞xc4+ 39.♔xb2 ♞xd5 40.♙d8+ ♔f7 41.♙d7+ ♔e6 42.♙e7+ ♔f5 43.h4 ♞d4+ 44.♔c2 ♞c4+ 45.♔d2 h6 46.♙xh6 ♞xh4 47.♙f8 ♞f2+ 48.♔c1 d5 49.♙d7 ♔e6 50.♙e7+ ♔f6 51.♙b7 ♞xf3 52.♙g7+ ♔g5 53.♙b2 ♞f1+ 54.♔d2 ♔f5 55.♙b4 g5 56.♙d4 g4 0-1

**Nyman,S – Thiele,E [B50]**

VI World Correspondence Chess Championship, 1968–1971

1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 d6 3.c3 ♘f6 4.♞c2 ♙g4 5.d4 ♘bd7 6.♙e3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.♘c3 ♙e7 9.♘d2 exd4

10. ♖xd4 0-0 11. f4 ♘h5 12. g3 ♖c8 13. ♗g2 ♗f6 14. ♗d3 ♘c5 15. ♗e3 ♖e8 16. ♘d5 ♗xd4 17. ♗xd4 ♘e6 18. ♗xa7 ♖c2 19. ♘e3 ♘hxf4 20. ♘xc2 ♘d3+ 21. ♘f1 ♗f6+ 22. ♘g1 ♘ec5 23. h3 ♗f2+ 24. ♘h2 ♗xh3 25. ♖hg1 ♗xd2 26. b4 ♘e5 27. ♖af1 ♘xe4 28. ♖f4 ♘g5 29. ♘e1 ♗xg2 30. ♖xg2 ♗xe1 31. ♗xb7 h5 32. ♖g1 ♘ef3+ 33. ♖xf3 ♗e2+ 34. ♖f2 ♗xf2+ 35. ♖g2 ♘f3+ 36. ♘h3 ♗f1 0-1

**Sevecek,R – Nyman,S [C81]**

VI World Correspondence Chess Championship, 1968–1971

1. e4 e5 2. ♘f3 ♘c6 3. ♗b5 a6 4. ♗a4 ♘f6 5. 0-0 ♘xe4 6. d4 b5 7. ♗b3 d5 8. dxe5 ♗e6 9. ♗e2 ♗e7 10. ♖d1 0-0 11. c4 bxc4 12. ♗xc4 ♗d7 13. ♘c3 ♘xc3 14. bxc3 f6 15. exf6 ♗xf6 16. ♘g5 ♗xg5 17. ♗xg5 h6 18. ♗e3 ♘e5 19. ♗b3 ♗d6 20. ♖d4 c5 21. ♖f4 g5 22. ♖xf8+ ♖xf8 23. h3 ♖f6 24. ♖e1 ♘c4 25. ♗c1 ♗f7 26. h4 ♖e6 27. ♗d1 ♖xe1+ 28. ♗xe1 gxf4 29. ♗e2 ♗f6 30. ♗g4+ ♘h7 31. ♗c2+ ♘h8 32. ♗f4 ♗e6 33. ♗f3 ♘g7 34. g3 hxf3 35. fxf3 ♗f7 36. ♗g4+ ♘h8 37. ♗f5 ♗xf5 38. ♗xf5 ♘g7 39. ♘f2 ♗g6 40. ♗e6 ♗e4 41. ♗c8 ½-½

**Stern,D – Nyman,S [D58]**

VI World Correspondence Chess Championship, 1968–1971

1. d4 d5 2. c4 e6 3. ♘c3 ♘f6 4. ♗g5 ♗e7 5. e3 h6 6. ♗h4 0-0 7. ♘f3 b6 8. cxd5 exd5 9. ♗d3 ♗e6 10. 0-0 ♘bd7 11. ♖c1 c5 12. ♗b1 ♖c8 13. ♘e5 ♘e4 14. ♗xe7 ♗xe7 15. ♘d7 ♗xd7 16. ♘e4 dxe4 17. dxc5 ♗xd1 18. ♖fxd1 ♖xc5 19. ♖xc5 bxc5 20. ♗xe4 ♗xa2 21. ♖a1 ♖d8 22. g3 ♗e6 23. ♖xa7 ♖d1+ 24. ♘g2 ♗d5 25. ♗xd5 ♖xd5 26. ♖b7 c4 27. g4 ♖c5 28. ♘f3 g6 29. h4 c3 30. bxc3 ♖xc3 31. ♖b5 ♘g7 32. h5 g5 33. ♖f5 ½-½

**Zagorovsky,V – Nyman,S [C88]**

VI World Correspondence Chess Championship, 1968–1971

1. e4 e5 2. ♘f3 ♘c6 3. ♗b5 a6 4. ♗a4 ♘f6 5. 0-0 ♗e7 6. ♖e1 b5 7. ♗b3 0-0 8. a4 ♗b7 9. d3 d6 10. ♘c3 ♘a5 11. axb5 ♘xb3 12. cxb3 axb5 13. ♖xa8 ♗xa8 14. ♘xb5 ♖b8 15. ♘c3 ♗c8 16. d4 ♗g4 17. dxe5 dxe5 18. h3 ♖d8 19. ♗e2 ♗xf3 20. ♗xf3 c6 21. ♗g5 ♗b8 22. ♖c1 h6 23. ♗xf6 ♗xf6 24. ♘a4 ♖d6 25. g3 ♗g5 26. ♖c5 ♗b4 27. ♘f1 f6 28. ♖c4 ♗b5 29. ♗c3 ♗d2 30. ♗c2 ♗b4 31. ♘g2 ♘h8 32. ♘c3 ♗b6 33. h4 ♗a5 34. h5 ♗b6 35. ♗e2 ♗a5 36. ♖a4 ♖d4 37. ♗c2 ♗c5 38. ♖a1 ♖d6 39. ♗e2 ♖d8 40. ♗c4 ♗b6 41. ♘d1 ♗d6 42. ♖c1 ♖c8 43. b4 ♖c7 44. ♖a1 ♖a7 45. ♖xa7 ♗xa7 46. ♘c3 ♗d4 47. b5 cxb5 48. ♗xb5 ♗c7 49. ♗b3 1-0

This concludes my series of articles on the life and games of ICCM Sture Nyman. I hope that you have enjoyed it. Many thanks to Moira and Alan for running this series in the SCCA Magazine, and for all of their help.

There is a final version of the Nyman book, containing much more material, available for downloading (in Adobe PDF Electronic format), on the internet. If you have access to the world wide web, you can find out more information at the following URL:

<http://www.correspondencechess.com/>

**VI World CC Championship 1968-1971**

	Name	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Total
1	Rittner	◆	½	1	1	½	1	1	½	½	1	1	1	1	½	1	1	12½
2	Zagorovsky	½	◆	½	1	½	½	1	½	1	1	½	1	1	1	1	1	12
3	Estrin	0	½	◆	1	½	0	½	1	1	½	1	1	0	1	1	1	10
4	Thiele	0	0	0	◆	1	0	1	0	½	1	½	1	1	1	1	1	9
5	Sanakov	½	½	½	0	◆	1	0	½	½	1	½	½	1	1	0	1	8½
6	Kellner	0	½	1	1	0	◆	½	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	½	1	8½
7	Stern	0	0	½	0	1	½	◆	1	½	½	0	½	1	1	1	1	8½
8	Hybl	½	½	0	1	½	0	0	◆	½	½	½	1	½	½	½	1	7½
9	Kauranen	½	0	0	½	½	1	½	½	◆	½	½	0	½	1	0	1	7
10	Nyman	0	0	½	0	0	1	½	½	½	◆	½	½	½	½	1	1	7
11	deCarbonnel	0	½	0	½	½	0	1	½	½	½	◆	0	1	½	½	0	6
12	Karker	0	0	0	0	½	1	½	0	1	½	1	◆	0	0	1	½	6
13	Ljungdahl	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	½	½	½	0	1	◆	½	1	½	5½
14	Sevecek	½	0	0	0	0	0	0	½	0	½	½	1	½	◆	½	1	5
15	Harseth	0	0	0	0	1	½	0	½	1	0	½	0	0	½	◆	0	4
16	Jansen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	½	½	0	1	◆	3

# Reg Gillman Memorial

[by John Hawkes]

Reg Gillman Mem-E, 1999

White: Livie, G.W.G.  
Black: Lueers, C.

Sicilian Dragon B78

[Annotator: John Hawkes]

1	e4	c5
2	♟f3	d6
3	d4	cx d4
4	♞xd4	♞f6
5	♞c3	g6
6	♙e3	♙g7
7	f3	0-0
8	♞d2	♞c6
9	♙c4	♙d7
10	0-0-0	♞e5
11	♙b3	♞c8
12	h4	h5
13	♙g5	♞c5

Hermann Heemsoth wrote an article on all this in Fernschach some time back - "No Drag on the Dragon!" was his cute title.

14 ♞b1

14.f4 ♞c4 15.♞d3 is another important branch of analysis.

14	.....	b5
15	g4	a5
16	gxh5	



16 ..... ♞xh5

16...a4 17.h6 ♙h8 18.♙d5 ♞h7  
19.♙xf6 ♙xf6 20.f4 ♞g4 21.h5 b4  
22.♙xf7 gxh5 23.♙g6+! ♞xg6 24.e5  
bxc3 25.♞d3+ ♞f7 26.♞h7+ ♞e8  
27.♞g6+ ♞f7 28.e6 ♙xe6 29.♞xe6

♞b6 30.♞g8+ ♞d7 31.♞xc5+ ♞xc5  
32.♞xf7 ♞b4 33.b3 ♞a3 34.♙xd6+  
♞xd6 35.♞xh5 ♞f2 36.♞b5+ ♞c7  
37.♞a5+ ♞b7 38.♞e1 ♞d2 39.♞b5+  
♞c7 40.♞e2 ♞xf4 41.h7 1-0  
G.Popov - H.Müller 1990-91, an  
important reference game for the  
line. 41...♞d2 (41...♞h4 42.♞c4+)  
42.h8♞! G.Popov.

17	♞d5	♞e8
18	a3	♞c4
19	♞g2	

19.♞d3.

19	.....	a4
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19 ... ♙e6 20. ♞e3!? Kir. Georgiev  
(20.c3 ♙xd5 21.exd5 ♞c8 22.♞c6  
♞xa3+! Short - Kir.Georgiev, Novi  
Sad 1990.)

20	♙a2	♞f8
21	♞f5	♙xf5
22	exf5	♞xb2
23	fxg6	fxg6



24	♙h6!	♙xh6
25	♞xg6	♙g7
26	♞f5+	♞f6
27	♞f4	e6
28	♙xe6	♙h8
29	♞g6	
	1	0

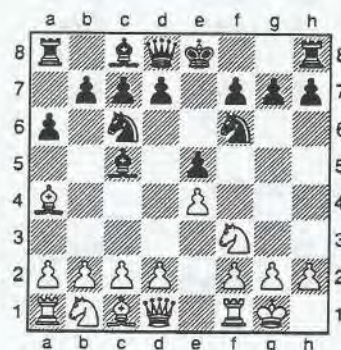
Reg Gillman Memorial-E

White: Livie, G.W.G.  
Black: Flores Gutiérrez, C

Ruy Lopez C78

[Annotator: John Hawkes]

1	e4	e5
2	♞f3	♞c6
3	♙b5	a6
4	♙a4	♞f6
5	0-0	♙c5



6 c3

What a French annotator would probably call the 'scientifique' move. Selecting an example of the 'brutal' move 6.♞xe5 provides more play by the Bulgarian cc GM G. Popov, Black in a fantastic postal game v Blomqvist around 1957 : 6...♞xe5 7.d4 ♞xe4 8.♞e2 ♙e7 9.♞xe4 ♞g6 10.c4 0-0 11.♞c3 f5 12.♞e2 f4 13.♙c2 f3 14.gxf3 d5 15.♞xd5 ♙d6 16.c5 ♞h4 17.cxd6 ♞xf3+ 18.♞h1 ♞h4 19.♙f4 ♙g4 20.♞e3 ♞xh2 21.♙xh2 ♙f3+ 22.♞g1 ♞g4+ 23.♙g3 ♞h5 24.♞xf3 ♞xf3 25.♙e4 cxd6 26.♙xf3 ♞xf3 27.♞e7+ ♞h8 28.♞fe1 ♞g4 29.d5 ♞f8 30.♞e6 ♞f3 31.♞g2 ♞d3 32.♙xd6 ♞xg3+ 33.fxg3 ♞e2+ 34.♞g1 ♞e3+ 35.♞g2 ♞e2+.

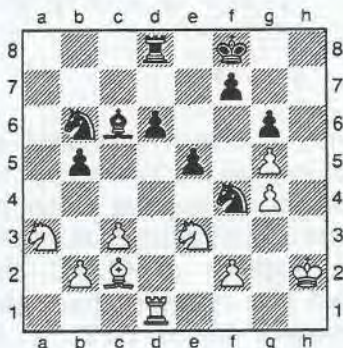
6 ..... b5

6...♙a7 - with the most startling game-quote no doubt 7.♞e1 ♞g4 8.d4 exd4 9.cxd4 ♞xd4 10.♞xd4 ♞h4 11.♞f3 ♞xf2+ 12.♞h1 ♞g1+ Katskova-Kakabadze, USSR 1962. 6...Ba7 functioned as a high-class waiting move!

7 ♖c2 d6  
 8 d4 ♖b6  
 9 a4 ♖d7  
 10 axb5 axb5  
 11 ♖xa8 ♖xa8  
 12 d5 ♖a7  
 13 ♖g5 ♖d8  
 14 ♖e2 0-0  
 15 ♖a3 h6  
 16 ♖e3 c6  
 17 dxc6 ♖xc6  
 18 ♖h4 ♖xe3  
 19 ♖xe3 ♖c8!  
 20 ♖e2 ♖b6  
 21 ♖d1 ♖b7  
 22 ♖f5 ♖d8  
 23 ♖f3 ♖xe4+  
 24 ♖g4 ♖g5  
 25 h4 ♖e6  
 26 ♖xh6+ ♖f8  
 27 ♖f5 g6  
 28 ♖e3 ♖f4  
 29 ♖h2 ♖b6  
 30 ♖g5 ♖e7  
 31 g4?

Losing quickly.

31 ..... ♖xg5  
 32. hxg5



32 ..... ♖e7!

Threatening mate.

33 f3 ♖xf3  
 34 ♖f1 ♖h8+  
 35 ♖g1 ♖h3  
 36 ♖b1 ♖c6  
 37 ♖f1 ♖bd5  
 38 ♖e4 ♖h4  
 39 ♖f3 ♖h3+  
 40 ♖g2 ♖xg5  
 41 ♖xd5 ♖xd5+  
 42 ♖g3 ♖h3+  
 0 1

Reg Gillman Mem-E, 1999

White: Nielsen, J.

Black: Borwell, A.P.

Sicilian - Richter Rauzer [B67]

[Annotator: John Hawkes with APB comments]

1 e4 c5  
 2 ♖f3 ♖c6  
 3 d4 cxd4  
 4 ♖xd4 ♖f6  
 5 ♖c3 d6  
 6 ♖g5 e6  
 7 ♖d2 a6  
 8 0-0-0 ♖d7  
 9 f4

9. ♖e2 had already been met by the ICCF President in an XI Olympiad Final game v Hjort (SWE): 9 ...h6 10. ♖h4 ♖c8 11. ♖xc6!? ♖xc6 12. ♖e3 ♖e7 13. e5! ♖d5 14. ♖xd5 ♖xd5 15. ♖xe7 ♖xe7 16. ♖f3! ♖c7 17. c3 and drawn in 45 moves [CCYB-13/136]. The 'English' attack with 9.f3 gives me the opportunity to slip in a fine game by the late Aivars Gipslis, Latvian OTB and CC double GM: 9...♖e7 10.h4 ♖c8 11.g4 b5 12.♖b1 ♖a5 13.♖d3 ♖c4 14.♖xc4 ♖xc4 15.♖e3 ♖c8 16.h5 ♖b7 17.g5 ♖d7 18.g6! hxg6 19.hxg6 ♖xh1 20.♖xh1 ♖f8 21.♖h8 ♖f6 22.♖ce2 ♖c8 23.f4 fxe6 24.e5! ♖e7 25.♖d3 ♖f7 26.♖f3 d5 27.♖ed4 ♖c7 28.♖f2! ♖a5 29.♖h4 ♖xh4 30.♖xh4 ♖g8 31.c3 b4 32.♖g5 ♖xd4 33.♖xd4 ♖b5 34.♖h1 ♖d7 35.♖d2 1-0, Gipslis-Renter, USSR Ch SF, Vilnius 1955.

9 ..... b5  
 10 ♖xf6 gxf6  
 11 ♖xc6

11. ♖f3 ♖e7 12. ♖d3 ♖a5 13. ♖b1 b4 14. ♖e2 ♖c5 15. f5 a5 16. ♖f4 a4 17. ♖c1 ♖e5 18. c3 b3 19. a3 ♖c4 20. ♖e2 and Black's best shot seems the sac 20 ... ♖xa3+ Loginov-Toro Solis, 18th WC Prelims. CCYB-15/111; 11. ♖b1 ♖b6 12. ♖xc6 ♖xc6 13. ♖e1 ♖e7 14. f5 b4 15. ♖e2 e5 16. ♖g3 ♖c5 17. ♖e2 a5 18. ♖d3?! a4 19. ♖d2 a3 20. c3 b3!! 21. axb3 axb2 22. ♖c2 ♖a1 23. ♖b1 ♖d7!; after a blunder 24. ♖e3?? ♖b5 25. ♖xc5 ♖xd3+ Black won in Eichhorn - Piuva, Finjub-GM1. CCYB-14/125.

11 ..... ♖xc6  
 12 ♖e1 ♖e7  
 13 ♖d3 ♖g7

14 ♖g3 ♖g8  
 15 ♖he1 ♖f8  
 16 ♖h3 b4  
 17 ♖b1 f5  
 18 ♖d2 fxe4  
 19 ♖xe4

A critical point in the game. Black now analysed with his opponent's Q on e3! Fortunately, he got away with it, although the reply was not-surprisingly a surprise!

19 ..... h6



20 f5! exf5  
 21 ♖xf5

Even more of a surprise - when a Queen jumps like a Knight you realise something's awry!

21 ..... ♖e5  
 22 ♖xe5 ♖xe5  
 23 g3 ♖g7  
 24 ♖c4 ♖gd8  
 25 ♖d5 ♖ac8  
 26 ♖xc6 ♖xc6  
 27 ♖f2 ♖dc8  
 28 ♖e2 a5

28...f5 29. ♖d3 a5 30. ♖xe5 dxe5 31. ♖xe5 ♖xc2+ with many pawns disappearing, and the likelihood of a rather wild but probably drawn 2R ending [APB]

29 ♖g4! ♖c5  
 30 ♖b1

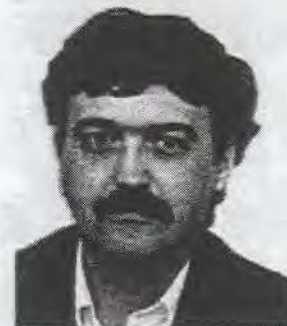
I unwisely declined the draw hereabouts, as White has better chances in the final stages [APB]

30 ..... f5  
 31 ♖e3 ♖f8  
 32 ♖d5 h5  
 33 ♖f4 ♖xf4  
 34 gxf4 ♖c4  
 35 ♖f2 ♖f6  
 36 b3 ♖c5  
 37 ♖fd2 ♖c3  
 38 ♖d5 ½ ½



# GAMES SECTION

Selected by GAMES EDITOR Bernard Milligan,  
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This is the penultimate issue of the Magazine. After 21 years, Alan and Moira Borwell have decided to call it a day. They have both done an excellent job over the years and we all owe them a debt that can never be repaid.

After the next issue, the magazine will be web-based but for those of you with no internet access, we will produce a printed extract of its contents for your benefit.

The Games Column will continue so please continue to send in your games. Hopefully, I will receive a bumper crop for possible inclusion of the final edition of the printed Magazine.

I will start this edition with a game from Richard Beecham who is having an excellent season. In fact, I would predict that he is a strong contender to win the 2000/01 Championship. Richard told me that he has been putting in something like 8 hours per day on his games and his results so far indicate it is paying off.

SCCA Championship 2000/01

**White:** C R Beecham

**Black:** I Mackintosh

Trompowski [A45]

[Annotator C R Beecham]

1	d4	♗f6
2	♔g5	♗e4
3	♔f4	d5
4	e3	♔f5
5	f3	♗f6

In the same tournament, Iain Reeman played 5...Nd6 but after 6.♗c3 e6 7.♗e2 ♔e7 8.0-0-0 ♔g6 9.e4 c6 10.h4 White built up a strong initiative.

6	c4	e6
7	♗c3	c6

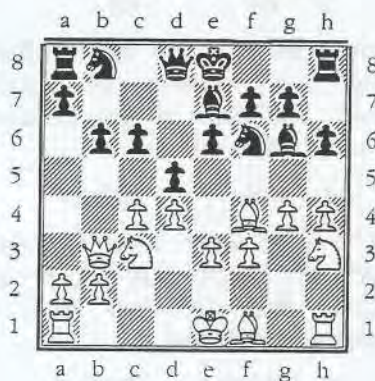
8 g4

In the game J. Hodgson - R. Sukharisingh from the German League 1996, John played 8.♗b3 ♗c8 9.♗c1 ♗bd7 10.g4 ♔g6 11.h4 h6 12.♗h3 dxc4 13.♔xc4 ♗b6 14.♗b5 and won quickly. After 8.♗b3, ♗b6 looks satisfactory for Black.

8	.....	♔g6
9	h4	h6
10	♗b3	b6

I was confident that Iain would not play 10...♗b6. In the last two Championship tournaments, Iain had given me a lesson on how to play and literally ripped my Kings head off! I was sure he would want to keep Queens on.

11 ♗h3 ♔e7



11...dxc4 12.♔xc4 ♗d5 13.0-0-0 ♔d6 14.♔xd6 ♗xd6 15.e4 ♗xc3 16.♗xc3 ♗d7 17.h5 ♔h7 18.♗b1 0-0-0 19.♗a1 ♗b8 20.♗f2 f6 21.♔a6 c5 22.♗a3 ♗g3 23.♗hf1 cxd4 24.♗d3 ♗e5 25.♗c1 ♗he8 26.♗a4 ♗e7 27.♗xd4 ♗ed7 28.♗c3 1-0; Conquest S - Xie Jun/Premier, Hastings ENG 1996

12	h5	♔h7
13	♗f2	0-0

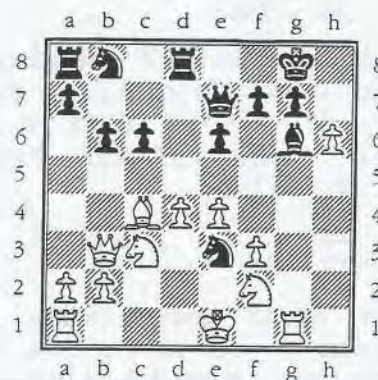
Castling into the attack. Better would have been 13...dxc4 14.♔xc4 ♗d5 15.♗xd5 exd5 16.♔d3 ♔xd3

17.♗xd3 0-0 with at least a level position.

14	g5	h×g5
15	♔×g5	d×c4
16	♔×c4	♗d5
17	♔×e7	♗×e7
18	e4	♗e3
19	h6	♗d8

Probably best as after 19...g×h6 20.♗d2! ♗xc4+ 21.♗xc4 ♔g6 22.♗ag1 White looks good.

20 ♗g1 ♔g6



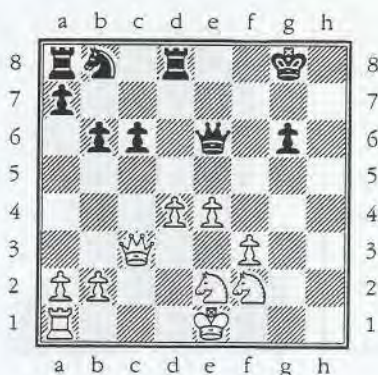
21 ♗×g6!?

Looking back on my notes I now think 21.♗e2! was better, viz. 21...♗xc4 22.♗xc4 g×h6 23.♗f4 ♗h7 24.♗g4 b5 25.♗c1! In the heat of battle, I felt that 21.♗×g6 would shake him up a little.

21	.....	f×g6
22	♔×e6+	♗h8
23	h×g7+	♗×g7
24	♗e2	♗c2+

This was a surprise. I expected 24...♗g2+ 25.♗f1 ♗e3+ 26.♗×e3 ♗×e6 27.♗g4 ♗h8 (27...♗d7 28.♗h6+) 28.d5 cxd5 29.♗f4 when White's position is well worth the exchange. My ♗ is better on c3 (as in the game) rather than on e3 as in this note.

25	♗×c2	♗×e6
26	♗c3	♗g8



The move 26...♖f8 leaves h8 vulnerable viz 27.d5 cxd5 28.♖f4 ♗d6 29.♖xd5 ♖d7 30.♗h8+ ♖f7 31.♗h7+ ♖f8 32.♖h3! ♗g3+ 33.♗e2 ♗e5 34.♖hf4 which is winning for White.

### 27 ♖g4 ♖f8

Defending f6. Developing the queenside with 27...♖d7 is no better. 28.♖f4 ♗e7 29.♗c4+ ♖g7 30.♖e6+ ♖g8 31.♖xd8+ and the game is over.

### 28 ♖d2

I was concerned that if I castled long Black would take on a2 and then play d5. 28.0-0-0 ♗a2 29.d5 ♗a1+ 30.♖d2 (30.♖c2 ♗a4+) 30...♗a5 31.b4

### 28 ..... ♖d7 29 d5!

This looked wrong initially; it appears to open up the c-file for Black, but in reality it is to White's advantage with moves such as ♗c7 - h2 and ♖h1.

### 29 ..... cxd5 30 ♖h6+

Forcing the King onto the open file.

### 30 ..... ♖h7 31 ♖h1 ♖f6

Closing the diagonal with 31...♖f6 comes up against 32.♖f4 ♗e8 33.♖g4+ ♖g7 34.exd5 ♖c8 35.♗d4

### 32 ♗c7+ 1 0

If ♗d7 (too slow is 32...♖d7 33.♖d4 ♗e8 34.♖hf5+ ♖g8 35.♗h2 ♖f7 36.♗h7+ and mate in 3 moves.)

33.Ng4+ Kg7 34.♖h7+ ♖xh7 35.♖xf6+ ♖xf6 36.♗xd7+ ♖h6 37.♗xd5



Different competitions attract different players so the League teams can throw up a vast variety of playing styles. There's also something about playing for a team that seems to make you try just that little bit harder. I certainly know that I devote more analysis time to my team games than to individual games simply because you don't want to let the team down with unnecessary blunders.

George sent in the next game played in our League Division 1. Yet another Trompowski but well worth playing through. The abundance of notes is evidence of the effort put in by both players.

SCCA League 2000 (2), 2000

**White:** G Pyrich (Kirkcaldy Kings)

**Black:** R Baker (Social CCA)

Trompowski "Poisoned Pawn" [A45]

[Annotator G Pyrich]

### 1 d4 ♖f6 2 ♖g5

I've suffered against this move in the past in OTB games and so felt it was time to change sides!

### 2 ..... e6 3 e4 c5

Usual here is 3...h6 when 4.♖xf6 ♗xf6 5.c3 followed by 6.♖d3, 7.♖e2 and 8.f4 is the currently favoured White set-up.

### 4 d5 ♗b6!?

Not 4...exd5 when after 5.e5 ♗e7 6.♗e2 h6 7.♖xf6 gxf6 8.♖c3 fxe5 9.♖xd5 ♗d6 10.0-0-0 Black is already clearly worse.

### 5 ♖c3 ♗xb2

Trompowski "Poisoned Pawn"?!

### 6 ♖ge2

Maybe 6.♖d2 was better when after 6...♗b6 White has 7.f4 but 6...♖xe4 7.♖xe4 ♗e5 8.♖d3 exd5 seemed very unclear.

### 6 ..... a6

Preventing 7.♖b5. Instead 6...d6 allows 7.♖b1 ♗a3 8.♗d2 ♖e7 9.dxe6 fxe6 10.e5 dxe5 11.♖xf6 gxf6 12.♖b5 winning immediately for White.

### 7 g3

In preference to 7.♖b1 when 7...♗a3 8.♗d2 d6 9.♖g3 b5 10.♖e2 seems O.K. for Black. I felt it best to simply develop pieces and maintain the pawn at d5.

### 7 ..... d6

7...b5.

### 8 ♖g2

It was a difficult choice between this and 8.♖h3 ♖e7 9.♖b1 ♗a3 10.0-0 0-0 which seemed unclear.

### 8 ..... ♖bd7

If 8...♖e7 I'd prepared 9.dxe6 fxe6 10.♖b1 ♗a3 11.e5 dxe5 12.♖xf6 gxf6 13.♖xb7 ♖xb7 14.♖xb7 when, with moves like ♖d5 and ♖e4 in the air, White must be better. However, I wasn't sure about 8...e5 when 9.♖b1 ♗a3 10.♖c1 ♗a5 11.♖d2 ♖e7 is difficult to assess. Instead 8...exd5? 9.♖xf6 gxf6 10.♖xd5 is excellent for White.

### 9 0-0 ♖e7 10 ♖b1 ♗a3 11 dxe6 fxe6 12 ♖d2



With the idea of 13.♖f4 and played in preference to 12.♖h3 when 12...♖e5 13.♖c1 ♗a5 14.f4 ♖c6 when Black seems to be O.K.; and 12.♖c1 ♗a5 13.♖d2 ♗c7 14.♖f4 ♖e5 15.♖h3 ♖f7 16.♖d3 ♖xd3 17.cxd3 which doesn't offer much for White.

### 12 ..... e5

Probably forced as 12...0-0 allows 13.♖f4 ♖e5 14.♖b3 ♗a5 15.♖cd5 ♗d8 16.♖a5 ♗xa5 17.♖xe7+ ♖h8 (17...♖f7 18.♖xc8 ♖xc8 19.♖xb7+)) 18.♗xd6 when White is clearly better.

### 13 g4



Played in preference to 13.♖b3 as I felt I had to go after Black before he had time to consolidate.

13 ..... h6

Forced as 13...♗xg4? 14.♗d5 ♖d8 15.♖b3 is just what White wants.

14 ♗g3

Again 14.♖b3 was discarded as 14...♗a5 15.♗d5 ♗d8 16.♗ec3 b5 17.f4 b4 18.♗xe7 ♗xe7 seemed unclear at best.

14 ..... g6

15 f4

White must open lines quickly.

15 ..... exf4



I thought he might go for 15...c4 when I intended something like 16.g5 hxg5 17.fxg5 ♗c5+ 18.♖h1 ♗h5 19.♗xh5 ♖xh5 20.♗f3 ♖h7 21.♗d5 which must be good for White.

16 ♖b3 ♗a5

17 ♗d5 ♗d8

18 ♖xf4

Instead 18.♗xf4? ♗e5 19.h3 0-0 lets Black off the hook.

18 ..... c4?



This must be wrong. Admittedly both 18...♗e5 19.♖xe5 dxe5 20.♗a1 0-0 21.♗xe5 ♗xd5 22.exd5 ♖xf1+ 23.♖xf1; and 18...♗xd5 19.exd5 ♗e5 20.♖xe5 dxe5

21.♗d3 are good for White but Black can still defend.

19 ♖bf3

Now Black can never castle

19 ..... ♗xd5

20 ♗xd5

20.exd5? g5 21.♖xd6 ♗b6+ is disastrous for White.

20 ..... ♗f6

Possibly the critical position of the game. No better were either 20...♗b6 21.♗d4 ♖f6 22.e5! dxe5 (22...♖xg4? 23.♖e3!) 23.♗e4 winning for White; or 20...♗c5 21.♗d4 ♖f6 22.e5 dxe5 23.♗xc5 exf4 24.♖xf4 when Black can't survive for long; but 20...♗c7 leaves Black still in the game. After 21.e5! ♗c5+ (21...dxe5 22.♖e3 should be winning for White despite the 2 pawns deficit) 22.♗xc5 dxc5 23.♗e4 ♗b6 24.♗d6+ ♖xd6 25.exd6 White's advantage is still far from decisive.

21 ♗d4

This seemed better than 21.♗xc4 although after 21...♖xg4 22.♖3f2 ♖c8 23.♗b3 b5 24.h3 ♖d7 25.e5! White's advantage is obvious.

21 ..... ♖xg4

If instead 21...g5 then 22.e5! gx4 23.exf6 ♖xf6 24.♗xf4 when Black can't meet all the threats; or 21...d5 when 22.♖e5 dxe4 23.♖xf6 ♗xd4+ 24.♖xd4 is crushing.

22 ♖3f2 ♖h7

The best line as 22...g5 loses to 23.e5! as before after 23...dxe5 (23...gx4 24.exf6 fxg3 25.hxg3) 24.♖xe5 ♗xd4 25.♖xd4 ♖f8 26.♖xf6 ♖c5 27.♖xb7 ♖xf2+ 28.♖xf2; and 22...♖c8 is met by 23.♖e3 0-0 24.♖xh6 ♖f7 25.♖g5.

23 ♖d2



Now 23.e5 doesn't seem so good after 23...dxe5 24.♖xe5 ♗xd4 25.♖xd4 ♗h5 26.♗xh5 ♖xh5 27.♖xb7 when Black looks set to survive.

23 ..... c3

Deflecting the ♖ from h6 Instead 23...♖f7 allows White a free hand, for example 24.♖xh6 ♖e6 25.e5 ♗g8 26.♖xf7 ♗xh6 (26...♖xf7 27.♖xb7 ♗c7 28.e6 ♖xe6 29.♖xa8 ♗xh6 30.♖e4 ♗c5 31.♗xc5 dxc5 32.♖xg6+ ♗d7 33.♖d1+ ♗c7) 27.♖xe7+ ♗xe7 28.♗h4+ ♗d7 29.♗xh6

24 ♖xc3 ♖f7

25 e5

That move again! Instead 25.♖xf6 ♖xf6 26.♖xf6 ♖xf6 27.♗xf6 ♖xf6 28.♖xf6 is much less clear-cut.

25 ..... dxe5

26 ♗xe5 ♖c8

I think that Black is now lost anyway but the text hopes for ♖c5 which might be a bit awkward. 26...♗f8 loses fairly simply after 27.♖xb7 ♖h3 28.♖g2 ♖xg2 29.♗xg2 ♖b8 30.♗e4 ♖b5 31.♗f4 ♗a8 32.♗g1 ♗xe4 33.♗xe4 ♗xe4 34.♖xf7+ ♗e8.

27 ♖d4

This seemed better than 27.♖xf6 when after 27...♖xf6 28.♖xf6 ♖xc3 29.♖f2 ♗d1+ 30.♖f1 ♗xc2 31.♖e1 ♖c7 32.♗h8+ ♗d7 33.♗d4+ ♗c8 34.♗xg4+ ♗b8 35.♗e4 White is doubtless winning but still has some work to do.

27 ..... ♗c7

Again the most stubborn defence.

28 ♗xc7

Accepting the winning end-game. Instead 28.♖xf6? lets Black off the hook almost completely - after 28...♖xf6 29.♖xf6 ♜xe5 30.♙xe5 ♙xf6 31.♙xf6 ♖xc2 any White win would be problematic! However 28.♜e3! prepares ♙xf6 and is more clear-cut.

28 ..... ♖xc7  
29 c3

29.♙xf6 ♙c5 is awkward so the text prepares ♙d4 after the capture on f6.

29 ..... ♙e6



29...♖d7 was perhaps marginally better leaving White with the 2 ♖'s pawns after 30.♙xf6 ♙c5 31.♙d4

30 ♙xf6

The rest requires no comment as White's material advantage is now decisive.

30 ..... ♙c4  
31 ♖e1 b5  
32 ♗e4 ♜f8  
33 ♙xe7+ ♖xe7  
34 ♖xf7+ ♙xf7  
35 a3 ♖e5  
36 ♜f2 ♙d5  
37 ♜e3 ♙e6  
38 ♙f3  
1 0

And here Black resigned. White will soon penetrate with his ♖ and then advance his ♜ to go after the black ♜-side pawns.



After some pleas for help on the message board at our website, with how to annotate games using Fritz Alan Petrie sent in the following game and has promised that there will be more to follow.

Getting to grips with the computer technology can be daunting at times. If you think I can give any advice, just give me a call.

Challenge 2000

White: A Petrie

Black: T F McAinsh

QP Irregular A45

[Annotator A Petrie]

I have always enjoyed my games with Tom McAinsh and this was the best of them.

1 d4 ♗f6  
2 e3

Out of book.

2 ..... d5  
3 ♙d3 e6

Secures f5.

4 ♗d2 c5  
5 c3 b6  
6 ♗df3

6.♗gf3 ♙b7.

6 ..... c4

Black wins space.

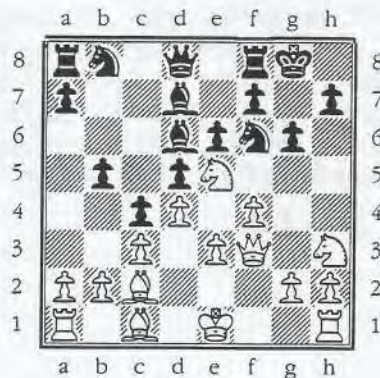
7 ♙c2 ♙d6  
8 ♗e5 0-0  
9 f4 b5  
10 ♜f3 g6

Consolidates f5.

11 ♗h3

But is creating weaknesses on the black squares around the King.

11 ..... ♙d7



12 ♗f2 ♙e8  
13 0-0 ♗a6  
14 e4

Attacks the pawn chain. I felt that the time was right for this move. The Bishops will soon be free to move to

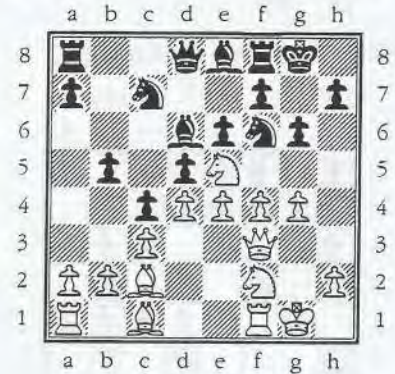
more aggressive squares leaving the Black position cramped.

14 ..... ♗c7±

14...dxe4!? should be examined more closely 15.♗xe4 ♗xe4 16.♙xe4 ♖b8±

15 g4±

White prepares the advance f5. The black pieces are all tied to defending the squares round the King and White is going to break open the position in a few moves.



15.f5!? exf5 16.exf5±

15 ..... ♙e7±

15...♗xe4!? 16.♗xe4 dxe4 17.♙xe4 ♖b8±

16 f5 ♗xe4

16...exf5 17.exf5 ♜h8 18.♙h6±

17 ♗xe4  
1 0

Black resigned - his King will have to go to h8 in order to save his rook. The white pieces are well placed to break through and force a win.



The following game is a superb example of correspondence chess at the top levels. I am not sure that if a World Champion offered me a draw that I would have the bottle to turn it down. That is exactly what happened here and it paid off.

Every time I play the King's Indian these days I seem to be struggling so I will be trying to take some lessons from Black who handles it perfectly in this game.

White: M Umanskij

Black: G Glatt

King's Indian [E69]

[Annotators Gabor Glatt and Jozsef Zoltai]

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| 1  | d4   | ♟f6   |
| 2  | c4   | g6    |
| 3  | g3   | ♙g7   |
| 4  | ♙g2  | 0-0   |
| 5  | ♟f3  | d6    |
| 6  | 0-0  | ♟bd7  |
| 7  | ♟c3  | e5    |
| 8  | e4   | c6    |
| 9  | h3   | exd4  |
| 10 | ♟xd4 | ♙b6!? |

At that time I only knew about my opponent that he was a very strong Russian player rated at 2690 Elo points. He became the CC World Champion simultaneously with our game. The text is a rather rare move, but not weak. Black aims his Queen at the squares b2 and d4. White either withdraws his Knight from d4, or he has to face tactical threats.

**11 ♟de2**

More and more popular move. 11.♙e1 ♙e8 After this classical move White has a slightly better position.

Besides 11...♙e8 two other moves are worth mentioning. 11...♟g4?! Black can move his Knights into the centre, but he can't equalise. 12.♟ce2! ♟ge5 13.b3 ♟c5 14.♙e3 a5 15.♙b1 ♙e8 16.♙f1♣; 11...♟e8!?! the beginning of an interesting plan played among others by Akopian 2600 - Damljanovic 2570 1-0 Tilburg 1993. 12.♟c2 ♟c5 13.♙e3 a5 14.b3 f5 15.exf5 ♙xf5 =

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| 11 | ..... | ♟c5 |
| 12 | ♙e3?! |     |

An active move, but it seems to be better to defend first the pawn b2, and to play ♙e3 thereafter. 12.♙c2 a5 13.♙b1 ♟e8 14.♙e3 ♙c7? Hulak 2545 - Fracnik 2605 ½, Vinkovci 1995.(14...Qb4! 15.b3 f5); 12.♙b1 ♙e8 13.♙e3 ♙c7 14.f3 ♙e6! 15.e5 ♙xc4!?! Donchenko 2435 - Novik 2460 ½, St. Petersburg 1994.; 12.b3 ♙e8 13.♙e3 ♙c7♣ Paetz 2455 - Borik 2375 1-0, Germany 1991.

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| 12 | ..... | ♙xb2! |
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When I played this move (at the end of 1993) I could not find any game with this position, but since that time it has turned up in some games. The present game and also the other ones prove that Black can capture the pawn b2 safely. Although White gets Black's weak pawn on d6, but he can't defend his pawn on c4. White has some development and space advantage for his pawn, but Black's position is defensible.

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| 13 | ♙b1  | ♙a3  |
| 14 | ♙xd6 | ♟fd7 |
| 15 | ♙d4  | ♙xd4 |
| 16 | ♙xd4 | ♟e6  |
| 17 | ♙d2  | ♟e5  |
| 18 | ♙h6! |      |



The world Champion plays much more stronger, and prepares a new sacrifice in order to start a huge attack. 18.♟c1? ♟xc4 19.♙d3 b5♣ happened in a similar position in the game Kirov - Barlov Smederevska Palala 1984, but White did not get enough chances for the pawn.

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| 18 | ..... | ♟xc4 |
| 19 | f4!?  |      |

Strike while the iron is hot!

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| 19 | ..... | ♟d2 |
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It was hard to decide, but I thought it was better for me to defend my position with a material advantage than to do so without it.

**20 f5**

20.e5? ♟d4!-+

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| 20 | ..... | ♟xb1 |
| 21 | ♟xb1  |      |

21.fxe6? ♟xc3 22.♙xf7 ♟xe2+ 23.♙h2 ♙xg3+ 24.♙h1 ♙xf7-+

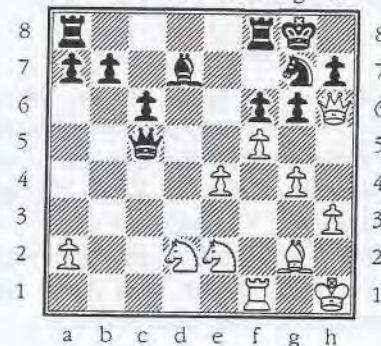
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| 21 | ..... | ♙c5+ |
| 22 | ♙h1   | ♟g7  |
| 23 | g4!   |      |

23.f6? ♟e6 24.♙f5 (24.♟f4 ♙g5-+) 24...gxf5 25.♟f4 ♙e8!-+

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| 23 | ..... | f6! |
| 24 | ♟d2!  |     |

24.fxg6? hxc6 25.♟f4 ♙g5-+

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| 24 | ..... | ♙d7 |
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**25 ♟f4?!**

White has proceeded with his attack very well so far. His chain of pawns paralyses Black's Kingside, his minor pieces threaten with dangerous manoeuvres, while Black's Rooks are powerless for the moment. But White plays in too great hurry now. He should have played ♟f3 or pushed his pawn to h4. These moves would have controlled the square g5 taking it away from Black's Queen and probably also forcing Black to capture the pawn on f5. 25.h4 gxf5 (25...♙c2? 26.e5! fxex5 27.f6 ♟e8 28.♙e4 ♙xa2 29.♙xg6 ♙xf6 30.♙xh7+ ♟f8 31.♙h6+ ♟g8 =) 26.gxf5 ♙f7

Black prepares now a spectacular combination.

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| 25 | ..... | gxf5 |
| 26 | gxf5  | ♙f7! |

The most difficult move of the game. Black defends the point g7 in advance, and closes the diagonal a2-g8 at the same time.

**27 ♙g1**



27 ..... ♔xf5!!

This move could have been played already instead of 26...♖f7, but it wouldn't have been as strong as now. After 26...♔f5 27.exf5 ♕xf5 28.♖e4! ♕xh6 29.♕xc5 Black has the better position, but to find a winning plan isn't simple at all.

28 ♔f1

There is no better move! 28.exf5 ♕xf5 and White's Queen is lost! Thanks to ♖f7 there is no double chess by ♔d5. 29.♔d5+ (29.♖h5 ♕g3+-) 29...♖g1!+-  
**[BM: - This note is as I received it but double chess may have been intended to read double check.]**

28 ..... ♔g6  
 29 ♕xg6

The World Champion offered a draw here. 29.♔c4 ♖e3! 30.♖xg6 (30.♖g2 ♔d8 31.♔xf7+ ♖xf7 32.♖e2 ♖g3+-) 30...hxc6 31.♔xf7+ (31.♖xg6 ♖xf4 32.♖xf7+ ♖h8+-) 31...♖xf7 32.♖xg6+ ♖g8 33.♕h5 ♖xh3+-

29 ..... hxc6  
 30 ♖xg6 b5  
 31 ♔e2! ♔d8

31...♖e8?? 32.♔d1±.

32 ♕f1

Although the power of the White pieces has been weakened, they have still serious threats, for example ♕g3-f5. [32.♔d1 ♖c1+-]

32 ..... f5

With his last move Black has thrown his Rooks on the files d and f into the fight, which decides the game.

33 ♕e3 f4  
 34 ♕f5 ♖e5  
 35 ♖g2 ♖xc4

The simplest: Black gives the quality back for another pawn.

36 ♖g5 ♔dd7  
 37 ♕h6+ ♖f8  
 38 ♕xf7 ♖xf7  
 39 ♖c5+ ♖e8  
 40 ♔g4 f3  
 41 ♖f2 ♕e6  
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In the next game, Joe Watson has provided a lot of excellent analysis. I must admit that it took me a couple of days to enter it all into ChessBase, but the effort, despite the tired eyes, was worth it.

I hope I have all the variations in the correct place. Any errors are down to me. Joe also provided his game where he was Black against I. Bell but I will leave that for another time after my eyes have recovered.

BPCTC 1997/98

White: J Watson

Black: I Bell

Nimzo-Indian [E32]

[Annotator J Watson]

1 d4 ♕f6  
 2 c4 e6  
 3 ♕c3 ♔b4  
 4 ♖c2 0-0  
 5 a3 ♔xc3+  
 6 ♖xc3 b6

6...♖e8 7.f3 d6 8.e4 e5 9.♔e3 ♕bd7 10.♕e2 a5 11.b3 c6 12.♕g3 d5 13.cxd5 cxd5 14.dxe5 ♖xe5 15.♔d4 ♖e6 16.♔d3 dxe4 17.fxe4 b6 18.0-0 ♔a6 19.♔xa6 ♖xa6 20.♕f5 ♖h8 21.♖f4 b5 22.♖af1 b4 23.♖g3 ♖g8 24.♖h4 g6 25.♖h3 h5 26.♖xh5+ gxh5 27.♖xh5# 1-0 Watson, J - Allaria, CS/Pelican B O.

7 ♔g5 ♔a6  
 8 e3 d6  
 9 ♔d3 ♕bd7  
 10 ♕f3 c5  
 11 0-0 ♖c8  
 12 ♖b3

Recommended in 'Beating the Indian Defences'.

12 ..... h6  
 13 ♔h4 ♔b7  
 14 ♕d2 cxd4  
 15 exd4 e5?!  
 16 ♔f5

It's always very tempting to set up raking Bishops like this. Here Black is coerced into playing his Rook to an awkward square to avoid White breaching the black Kingside defences by ♔xd7 followed by ♔xf6.

16 ..... ♖c7  
 17 dxe5 dxe5  
 18 ♖ad1 ♖a8



18...g5 19.♖e3 gxh4 20.♖xh6 ♖e8 (20...h3 21.gxh3 ♖e8 22.f3 ♖c6 23.♖h1 ♕g4 24.♖h7+ ♖f8 25.hxc4+-) 21.♕f3

A) 21...♔xf3 22.gxf3 ♖a8 (22...♖e7 23.♖h1 ♕f8 24.♖g1+ ♕g6 25.♔xg6 fxg6 26.♖xg6+ ♖f7 27.♔d6+ ♖xd6 28.♖g7+ ♖e6 29.♖xf6#) 23.♖xd7 ♖xd7 24.♖g5+ ♖f8 25.♖xf6+-;

B) 21...♔e4 22.♕xh4 ♖xc4 23.f3 ♔c6 24.♔d3 ♖xh4 25.♖xh4 ♖g7 26.♔f5 ♖c7 27.♖g5+ ♖f8 28.♔d3 (♔28.♖fe1) 28...♔b5?! ♖e7 is better, but White is still a little better. 29.♖c1 ♖d8 30.♔d6

19 f3 ♖e8

19...g6 20.♔b1 Now if Rfe8 21.Rfe1 transposes to the Mantovani game. ♖e8 21.♖fe1 Back in the note to the previous moves.. ♖e6 22.♖e3 ♖f8 23.b4 a5 24.♖b3 ♕h5 25.♔e4 ♔xe4 26.♕xe4 axb4 27.axb4 g5 28.♔f2 ♕f4 29.♕c3 ♖e8 30.♕b5 ♖cc6 31.♔e3 f5 32.♖c2 ♖f7 33.♔xf4 gxh4 34.♖d3 ♕f8 35.♖d5 ♕g6 36.c5 bxc5 37.bxc5 ♖f6 38.♕d6 ♕e7 39.♖b3 ♖h7 40.♖c4 ♖g6 41.♖e2 ♖c7 42.♕b5 ♖c8 43.♕d4 ♖d8 44.♖de1 ♖xd4 45.♖xd4 exd4 46.♖xe6 ♖xe6 47.♖xe6 ♕d5 48.♖d6 ♕c3 49.c6 ♕b5 50.♖d5 ♕c7+-

20 ♖fe1 g6  
 21 ♔b1 ♖e6

21...♖g7 22.♖e3 g5 23.♔g3 g4 24.fxg4 ♔xg2 25.g5 ♕g4 26.gxh6+ ♖h8 27.♖e2 ♔h3 28.♔f5 ♖g8 29.♕e4+-; 21...♖h7 22.♖e3. A nice positional plus for White, per 'Beating the Indian Defences', p35. This is Ig.Jelen-Mantovani, Cannes 1997.

22 ♖e3

Hitting the h6 pawn, but mainly to get out of the way of the b pawn.

22 ..... ♖f8  
 23 b4 a5  
 24 ♖b3 a×b4



24...♖h5 25.♖f1 g5 26.♖f2 ♖f4  
 27.b×a5 b×a5 28.♖f5 ♖d6 29.♖×d6  
 ♖×d6 30.♖a4 ♖b6 31.♖e8+ ♖g7  
 32.c5 ♖×c5 33.♖×c5 ♖×c5+  
 34.♖h1 ♖c4 35.♖h7 ♖c8 36.♖×c8  
 ♖×c8 37.♖e4 f5 38.♖c1 ♖×a3  
 39.♖×c8 f×e4 40.f×e4+

25 a×b4 ♖g7  
 26 ♖f2

The Bishop has done its job on g5 and h4. From f2 it attacks the weak black pawn on b6, ensuring that Black will need to keep a protective eye on it constantly. If Black covers the weakness by moving the pawn forward, he allows a very big passed pawn on c5.

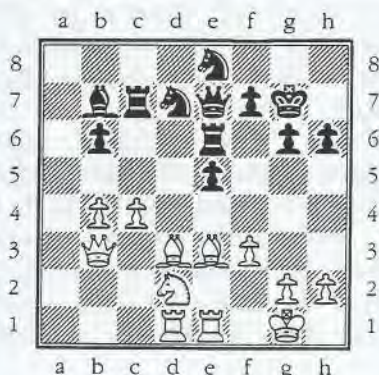
26 ..... ♖e7

26...♖h5 27.♖e3 ♖e7 28.g3 f5  
 29.♖c2 f4 30.♖f2 f×g3 31.h×g3  
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 39.♖c7±

27 ♖e3 ♖e8

27...♖h5 28.♖e4 f5 29.♖d5 ♖d6  
 30.♖×b7 ♖×b7 31.g4 ♖hf6 32.g×f5  
 g×f5 33.♖c2 ♖e6 34.♖h1; 27...e4  
 28.♖f4 ♖c8 29.f×e4

28 ♖d3



Over-protecting the c-pawn to allow the Queen freedom of movement. Ne4 was the main alternative I considered. 28.♖e4 ♖d6 29.♖×d6  
 ♖×d6 30.♖d3 ♖h4 31.♖c3 f5  
 32.♖f2 ♖f6 33.♖g3 f4 34.♖f2 e4  
 35.♖×f6+ ♖×f6 36.f×e4 ♖×e4  
 37.♖×e4 ♖×d1 38.♖×d1 ♖×e4  
 39.♖d4 ♖e7 40.♖d6 ♖c7 41.♖d4+  
 ♖g8 42.c5 b×c5 43.♖×c5 ♖f5  
 44.♖d8+ ♖g7 45.♖f2

28 ..... ♖d6

28...f5 29.♖b1 ♖d6 30.♖c3 ♖c8  
 31.♖d5 ♖×d5 32.c×d5 ♖f6 33.f4  
 ♖f7 34.♖d4 ♖d6 35.f×e5 ♖d×e5

29 ♖a3

29.♖c3 f5 30.♖a1 ♖f7 (30...♖f6  
 31.♖b3 ♖f7 32.♖a7 ♖ec6±)  
 31.♖b3 ♖h4 32.♖a7±; 29.♖b2 f5  
 30.♖a1 ♖f7 31.♖f1 ♖h4 32.♖f2  
 ♖g5 33.♖g3 ♖d6 34.♖b3 ♖e8±

29 ..... ♖h4

29...f5 30.♖f2 (30.♖×b6 Not a good  
 idea here or in analogous positions.  
 30...♖×b6 31.c5 ♖f7 32.c×b6  
 ♖×b6±) 30...e4 31.f×e4 f×e4  
 32.♖c3+ (32.♖f1 ♖f5 33.♖e3 ♖e5  
 34.♖f4 g5 35.♖×e5+ ♖×e5 36.♖c3  
 ♖f6 37.♖d3 ♖ce7 38.♖e2 e3  
 39.♖f3 ♖h4 40.♖f1 ♖×f3 41.g×f3  
 ♖g6 42.♖fe1 ♖f4) 32...♖g8  
 33.♖c2 ♖×c4 (33...♖f5 34.♖f1 ♖e5  
 35.♖b3 ♖h7 36.c5 ♖f6 37.♖g3  
 ♖g4 38.♖×f5 ♖×f5 39.♖g3 ♖c8  
 40.♖d6 ♖e8 41.h3 ♖e5 42.♖f1  
 ♖d7 43.g4+-) 34.♖×c4 b5  
 35.♖b3+- ♖e5 36.♖×e5 ♖×e5  
 37.♖×e5+ ♖h7 38.♖g3 ♖×b4  
 39.♖d7 ♖×b3 40.♖×c7 ♖b4  
 41.♖d6 ♖a4 42.♖e5 and White  
 wins comfortably. Black's idea of  
 sac'ing on c4 might work better  
 without f5, or with the Black King on  
 a square where he avoids an early  
 check on the diagonal from a1 to  
 h8.; 29...♖f5 30.♖f2 ♖d6 31.♖e4  
 ♖×e4 32.♖×e4 ♖g5 33.♖c3 ♖cc6  
 34.f4 ♖f6

30 ♖a1 ♖e8

31 ♖f2

31.♖b2 f5.

31 ..... ♖g5

32 ♖b2

Pinning the e-pawn and preparing to embarrass the black Queen. Also, there is a possible swap of Rooks coming up on the a-file, and White wants to initiate it so as to keep a

Rook on e1, so the white Queen comes off the a-file.

32 ..... ♖a8

32...♖cc8 33.♖×b6 (33.♖a7 ♖a8  
 34.♖×a8 ♖×a8 35.c5 b×c5 36.b×c5  
 ♖f5 37.♖e4 ♖e7) 33...♖×b6 34.c5  
 ♖d8 35.c×d6 ♖×d6 36.♖b5.

33 ♖×a8 ♖×a8

34 ♖g3!

I like this one, the principle idea behind White's 32nd. The idea is to force Black to defend his e-pawn with f6, thereby blocking in his own Queen, which White now keeps under constant threat. 34.f4; 34.h4 ♖e7 35.♖×e5 ♖×e5 36.f4 f6 37.f×e5  
 f×e5 38.♖×b6 ♖d7 39.♖f2 ♖f5.

34 ..... f6

35 ♖f2

Back to harassing the pawn on b6.

35 ..... ♖f5

36 ♖e4

36.♖e4 ♖×e4 37.♖×e4 ♖f4 38.♖g3  
 ♖×g3 39.h×g3

36 ..... ♖×e4

And White reaps the first reward of his strategy; the two Bishops. 36...♖f4? 37.♖g3 ♖×g3 38.h×g3  
 ♖c5+-; 36...♖h5? 37.g4 ♖h3  
 38.g×f5 ♖×f3 39.♖d2 ♖×f5 40.♖g3  
 ♖g4 41.♖e3 h5 42.♖e2 ♖e6  
 43.♖a1 ♖b7 44.♖a7+-.

37 ♖×e4

37.♖×e4 ♖×c4 38.♖d1 ♖c7 39.g3  
 (39.♖b3) 39...♖e3 40.♖d6 f5  
 (40...♖f5 41.♖c6 ♖a7±) 41.♖d2+-

37 ..... h5

Creating a retreat for the Queen.

38 ♖c2



White wants to bring the Rook down from e4, where it blocks the diagonal of the Bishop on d3, and is

also exposed to attack. But on e4 the Rook keeps an important eye on h4, preventing the Knight from going there. The problem is that Black then has a strong Knight sac on f3 which comes very close to equalising for Black, since White probably has to whip it off for his black-squared Bishop to prevent it.

38.♖e1 ♖d6 (38...♗h6 39.♗d2 ♗h7 40.♖e1 ♖d6 41.♗c3 ♖xc4 42.b5 ♗g8 43.♖c1 ♖d5 44.♗xc4 ♖xc4 45.♗h6+ ♖xh6 46.♗xc4±) 39.♖e2 ♖xc4 (39...e4 40.♗xe4 ♖xc4 41.♗c3 ♗e5 42.♗xe5 ♖dxe5 43.f4 ♖g4 44.h3 ♖ge3 45.♖f2±) 40.♗c3 b5 41.♗d2 ♖xd2 42.♗xc7+; 38.h4 ♗h6 39.g4

**A)** 39...♖xh4!? 40.♗xh4 h×g4 41.♗f2 g×f3 (41...f5 42.♖xe5 ♖xe5 43.♗xe5+ ♖g8 44.♗xc7+) 42.♖g4 g5 43.♗f5+;

**B)** 39...♖d6 40.g5 ♗h7 41.g×f6+ ♖×f6 42.♗xb6 ♖c8 43.♖xe5 ♖xe5 44.f4 ♖df7 45.♗d4 ♖d8 46.f×e5+ ♖e6 47.♗e4 ♗h6 48.♗d5+ ♖xd5□ 49.c×d5+ ♖xd5□ 50.b5 ♗f4 51.b6 ♗xh4 52.♗b3+ ♖e4 53.b7 ♗e1+ 54.♖g2 ♖xd4 55.♗a4+ ♖e3 56.♗b3+ ♖e4 57.♗f3+ ♖d4 58.♗f4+ ♗e4+ 59.♗xe4+ ♖xe4 60.e6+;

**C)** 39...h×g4

**C1)** 40.f×g4

**C1a)** 40...♖xh4 41.♗e2 (41.g5?) 41...♖a7 (41...g5 42.♗d2 ♖a7 43.♗d6 ♗g6 =) 42.g5 (42.c5 f5 43.g×f5 ♖×f5 44.c6 ♖f6 45.♖xe5 ♗h3 46.♖e6 ♖d4 47.♖e3 ♖xe2+ 48.♗xe2 ♖a1+ 49.♗e1 ♗g4+ 50.♗xg4 ♖xg4 51.c7 ♖c1 52.♖c3 ♖xe1+ 53.♖g2 ♖e8 54.c8♗ ♖xc8 55.♖xc8 ♖e5± 56.♖b8 ♖c4 57.♖f3 ♖f6 58.♖e4 b5 59.♖d4 ♖a3 60.♖a8 ♖c2+ 61.♖c5+) 42...f×g5 43.♗xb6 (43.♖xe5 ♖xe5 44.♗xe5+ ♖h7 45.♗d4 ♗f8 46.♗xg5 ♖f5 47.♗f4±) 43...♖xb6 44.♗xe5+ ♖h7 45.♗b8 ♖a1+ 46.♖f2 ♖f5+;

**C1b)** 40...♖d6 41.g5 ♗h5 (41...f×g5 42.♖xe5 ♖xe5 43.♗xe5+ ♖h7 44.♗d4 ♗f8 45.h5+; 41...♗h8 42.g×f6+ ♖f7 43.♖g4 ♖f5 44.♗xb6 ♖c6 45.♖xg6 ♖xg6 46.♗g2+ ♖f7 47.♗xc6 ♖xb6 48.♗b7+ ♖g6 49.♗xb6 ♗xh4 50.♗xf5+ ♖xf5 51.♗f2+ ♗xf2+ 52.♖xf2+-) 42.♗e2 ♗h8 43.g×f6+ ♖h7 44.♖g4 ♗xf6 45.h5! g×h5 46.♗d3+ ♖h8 47.♖g6 ♗e7 48.♗d2+;

**C2)** 40.♖xg4

**C2a)** 40...♖e7 41.♗c2 ♗h5 (41...♖c6 42.♗xg6 ♖xg6 43.♗f5 ♖d6 44.h5 ♖df8 45.♖g2 ♖f7 46.h×g6+ ♖xg6±) 42.♖g2 ♖c6 43.c5 b×c5 44.b×c5 ♖f8 45.♗b3 ♖c7 46.♗b8 ♖d7 47.♗c4 ♖c6 48.♗e8 ♖c7 49.♗d5 ♖d4 50.♖g5! ♗h6 51.♖xe5 ♖f5 52.♗b8 ♖f7 53.♖xf5 g×f5 54.♗xf7 ♖xf7 55.c6 ♖e6 56.c7 ♖xc7 57.♗xc7+ ♖g6 58.♗d7 ♗f8 59.h5+ ♖xh5 60.♗xf5+ ♖h6 61.♗d4 ♗g8+ 62.♖h3+;

**C2b)** 40...♖f7 41.♗a2 ♖e7 42.♖g2 ♖c8 43.♗a6 ♖b8 44.c5 ♗d2 45.♗xf5 g×f5 46.♖g7+ ♖f8 47.♖g6 e4 48.♗c4 e×f3+ 49.♖g3 f4+ 50.♗xf4 ♗xf4+ 51.♖xf4 b×c5 52.b×c5 ♖f7 53.♖h6 ♖g7 54.♖h5 ♖e5± 55.♖f5 ♖b4+ 56.♖g3; 38.♖e2

**A)** 38...♖h4 Very interesting!! 39.♗e3 either ♗xh4 or ♗g3 is safer. 39...♖xf3+

**A1)** 40.♖f2? ♗h4+ 41.g3 ♗h3! (41...♗xh2+ 42.♖xf3 ♗h3 43.♗f2 ♖c6 44.♖e4 ♖d6 45.♖e2 ♗g2 46.♗c3 ♖e6 47.♖e3 f5 48.♗c2 ♗c6 49.♗b3±; 41...♗g4 42.♖g2 h4 43.♗c2 h×g3 44.h×g3 f5 and again Black is well on top.) 42.♖xf3 e4+ 43.♗xe4 ♗f1+ 44.♖f2 ♖e5+ 45.♗xe5 ♗d1+ 46.♖g2 f×e5+- and the tables are turned completely!;

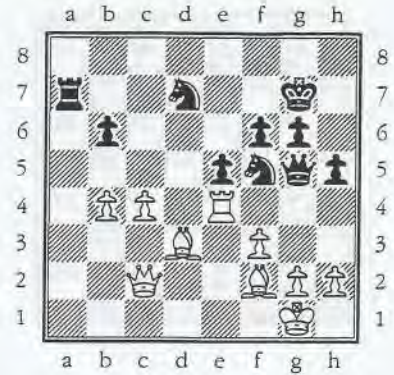
**A2)** 40.♖h1 40...♗g4 41.g×f3 ♗xf3+ 42.♖g1 f5 43.♖e1 f4 44.♗xb6 ♗g4+ 45.♖f2 (45.♖h1 ♗f3+ 46.♖g1 ♗g4+ 47.♖f2 ♗h3 transposes, but White can opt out with a draw by 47.♖h1.) 45...♗h3 46.♖e2 (46.♖h1 ♖c6 47.♗d4 ♗xd3 48.♗xe5+ ♖g8 49.♗h8+ Black looks to be winning comfortably. 49...♗e3+ 50.♖g2 f3+ 51.♖f1 ♖f6 52.♗xf6 ♖xf6 53.♖g1 f2) 46...f3+ 47.♖d1 f2±;

**B)** 38...♖a7 39.♗e4 h4 40.♗c6 h3 41.g3 ♖c7 42.♗d5 b5 43.c5 ♖e7 44.♗e6 ♖f5 45.♖d2 (45.♗d2 ♗xd2 46.♖xd2 ♖f8 47.♗xf5 g×f5 48.♖d6 ♖a7 49.♖f1 ♖a1+ 50.♖e2 ♖a2+ 51.♖d2+- ♖xd2+ 52.♖xd2 ♖e6 53.c6 ♖f7) 45...♖f8 46.♗b3 ♖e7 47.♗c3 ♗f5 48.♗c2 ♗c8 49.♖d6 ♖d7 50.♗d3 ♖xd6 51.♗xd6 (51.c×d6 ♖f5 52.♗c5 ♖d4 53.♗b1 ♗c6 54.♖f2 ♖de6+-) 51...♖f5 52.♗d1 ♖e6 53.♗xf5 g×f5 54.♗d3 ♗c6 55.♗xf5 ♖g5 56.♖f1 ♖xf3 57.♗xh3+;

**C)** 38...h4 39.♗d2 (39.♗xh4 ♗xh4 40.g3 ♗h3) 39...♗xd2 40.♖xd2 ♖h6 41.♖a2 h3 42.g×h3 ♖d4

43.♗e3+ g5 44.♖g2 ♖g7 45.h4 g×h4 46.♗xd4 e×d4 47.f4

38 ..... ♖a7



38...♖c6 39.♖e2 ♖d6 (39...♖h4 A blunder here, simply because the e4 square is firmly under White's control. 40.♗e3 ♖xf3+ 41.♖h1 ♗g4 42.♗e4+-) 40.c5 b×c5 41.b×c5 ♖c6 42.♗b5 ♖c7 43.c6 ♖f8 44.♗b6 ♖d4 45.♗xd4 e×d4 46.♗c4 h4 47.h3 ♖h7 48.♖e4 ♗g3 49.♖g4 ♗e1+ 50.♖h2 ♗e5+ 51.f4 ♗e3 52.♗d5 f5 53.♖xh4 ♖f6 54.♗d8 ♖e8 55.♗c4 ♖e7 56.♗d3 ♖f6 57.♗b5 ♗e4+-

39 ♗d1 ♖d6  
40 ♖e2

40.♗e3 ♗f5 41.♖h4 ♗e6 42.c5 ♖a3 43.♗c1 ♖xd3 44.♗xd3 b×c5 45.b5 c4 46.♗b1 ♗d5 =

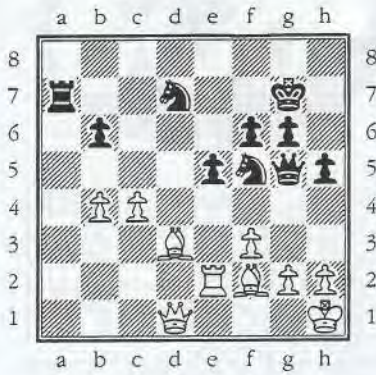
40 ..... ♖f5

40...e4

**A)** 41.f×e4 ♖e5 42.♗xb6 ♖a3 43.♗b1 ♖d×c4 (43...♖f3+ 44.♖h1 ♖xc4 45.♗c5 ♖fe5 46.♖a2 ♖c3 47.♖a7+ ♖f7 48.♖xf7+ ♖xf7 49.♗d7+ ♖g8 50.♗e8+ ♖h7 51.♗f7+ ♖h8 52.♗e8+ ♖h7 =) 44.♗c5 ♖a1 45.♖e1 ♖a3 46.♗d8 ♖f3+ 47.♖h1 ♗h4 48.♗f8+ ♖g8 49.♗d6+ ♖h7 50.♗g3 ♗g4 51.♗e7+ ♖h6 52.♗xf6+;

**B)** 41.♗xe4 Simple and best. 41...♖xc4 42.♗d5 (42.♗xg6 ♗xg6□+) 42...♖de5 (42...♖ce5 43.g3! ♗f5 44.f4 ♗d3 45.♖d2 ♗c3 46.♗d4 ♗xb4 47.f×e5 f×e5 48.♗e3 ♖a3 49.♗g5 ♗a4 50.♗b3 ♗xb3 51.♖xd7+ ♖h8 52.♗f6+ ♖g8 53.♖g7+ ♖h8 54.♗d8+ ♗g8 55.♗xg8#) 43.♗d4 ♗c1+ 44.♖e1 ♗c2 45.f4 ♖d3 46.♗xc4 ♖xe1 47.♗xe1 ♖c7 48.♗c3 ♗f5 49.♗d3 ♗e6±; 40...♖c8 41.♗e3 ♗h4 42.♖d2 ♖f8 43.♗f1 f5 44.♖d8 ♖c7+-

41 ♖h1



White is still worried about ♖-h4xf3 ideas. This is the first prophylactic step to refuting the plan. But White must keep a close eye on back rank tactics from Black now. For example, Black can play Ra1 in some lines to rescue his Queen. 41. ♖e4 ♖c7 42. ♖h1 (42. ♖d5 h4 43. ♖e6 ♖f8 44. ♖xb6 ♖b7 45. ♖xf5 ♖xb6 46. ♖d8 ♖b7 47. ♖c8 ♖c1+ 48. ♖f2 ♖a7 49. ♖d6 ♖xc4 50. ♖h3 ♖b7 51. ♖e4 =) 42... ♖f8 43. ♖d5 b5 44. c5 ♖e7 45. ♖a2 ♖d7 46. ♖b3 ♖d5 47. ♖e1 ♖c1; 41. ♖xf5 ♖xf5 42. ♖d2 ♖e6 43. ♖d6 ♖f7 44. ♖xb6 ♖xb6 45. ♖xb6 ♖xc4 46. ♖b8♯; 41. ♖c2 ♖h4 42. ♖e3 (42. ♖h1 ; 42. ♖e4) 42... ♖xf3+ 43. ♖h1 ♖g4 44. gxf3 ♖xf3+ 45. ♖g1 ♖a1 46. ♖xa1 ♖xe2 47. ♖c3 ♖g4+ 48. ♖f2 ♖h4+ 49. ♖g2 ♖g4+ 50. ♖f2 ♖h4+ 51. ♖e2 ♖xh2+ 52. ♖f2 f5+-

41 ..... ♖c7  
42 g3 h4!?

42... ♖d4? 43. ♖e3; 42... ♖b7 43. h4 ♖h6 44. ♖xf5 (44. ♖g2 ♖h8 45. ♖xf5 gxf5 46. ♖d6 ♖f8 47. ♖c6 ♖b8 48. ♖c2 ♖f8 49. ♖c1 ♖c7 50. ♖xb6 ♖b7 51. ♖c5 ♖xb4 52. ♖e7+ ♖g6+-) 44... gxf5 45. ♖d5 ♖c7 46. f4 ♖g6 47. fxe5 ♖g4 48. ♖e6 (48. e6? ♖xe2 49. exd7 ♖e1+ =) 48... ♖xc4 (48... ♖f3+ 49. ♖g1 ♖a7 50. exf6+ ♖xf6 51. ♖d4 ♖f7 52. ♖d2+-) 49. ♖xc4 (49. exf6+ ♖xf6 50. ♖xb6 ♖c6 51. ♖e7+ ♖g6 52. ♖c5 ♖g4 53. ♖e5 ♖c8 =) 49... ♖xc4 50. e6 ♖e5 51. ♖xb6 ♖xb4 52. ♖c5 ♖g4 53. ♖b2 ♖e4 54. ♖b7+ ♖g6 55. e7 ♖d3 56. ♖b8 ♖xc5 57. e8♖+ ♖xe8 58. ♖xe8 f4 = 59. ♖g2 f×g3 60. ♖×g3 ♖f5 61. ♖h8 ♖g6

43 g4 h3



Saving the Queen, and the Knight, by tactical means. 43... ♖e7? 44. ♖e3; 43... b5 44. gxf5 bxc4 45. ♖e4 ♖f8 46. ♖c5+-

44 ♖e4 ♖f8

A good all-purpose move. Black frees his Rook from defending the Knight on d7. More importantly, if this Knight can reach f4, it blocks the black diagonal leading to the Queen on g5.

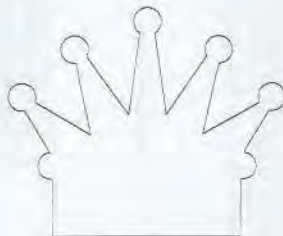
45 ♖d5 ♖d7!?  
46 ♖e1!

Strengthening White's grip on the vital e1-h4 diagonal. Black is now lost.

46 ..... b5

46... ♖a7 47. ♖g1 ♖h4 48. ♖e3 ♖g2 49. ♖xg2 ♖a1 50. ♖g1 ♖xe1 51. ♖xg5 ♖xg1+ 52. ♖xg1 f×g5 53. ♖f2 ♖f6 54. ♖g3 ♖e7 (54... ♖f8 55. ♖xh3 ♖e6 56. ♖xe6 ♖xe6 57. ♖g3 and its a simple win given the two to one majority on the queenside, and the very weak black pawns. 57... e4 58. fxe4 ♖e5 59. c5!+-) 55. ♖xh3 ♖f6 56. ♖e4 ♖f7 57. ♖g3 ♖e8 58. c5 bxc5 59. bxc5 ♖c7 60. h4 g×h4+ 61. ♖xh4 ♖g7 62. g5 ♖e6 63. c6 ♖c7 64. ♖d3 ♖f7 65. ♖g3 ♖g7 66. ♖f2 ♖f7 67. ♖e3 ♖g7 68. ♖e4+-

47 c5  
1 0



Black resigned here. He is lost with best play, for example if .. 47... ♖b8 [47... ♖a7 48. c6 ♖a1 49. c×d7 ♖×e1+ 50. ♖×e1 ♖g3+ 51. h×g3 f5 52. g×f5 (52. ♖b6?? snatching a draw from the very jaws of victory. 52... ♖d2 53. ♖g1 ♖×d5 54. d8♖ ♖×f3+ and Black sneaks a draw!!) 52... ♖e7 53. ♖e6 g×f5 54. ♖d1 ♖d8 55. ♖b6+-; 47... ♖f8 48. ♖g1 ♖d7 49. ♖e4 ♖h4 50. ♖e3 ♖g2 51. c6! (51. ♖×g2 ♖d1 52. ♖×d1 h×g2+ 53. ♖×g2 ♖×e3 54. ♖d3 ♖e1±) 51... ♖d4 52. ♖×d4 ♖×e1 53. ♖e3 ♖h4 54. c7 and White can queen at his leisure, leaving Black hopelessly behind in material. 54... f5 55. ♖d5 ♖×f3 56. c8♖ f×g4 57. ♖c7+ ♖h8 58. ♖f7+-] 48. ♖g1 [48. ♖×e5? looks tempting, but its just a blunder. 48... f×e5 49. ♖×e5+ ♖h6 and if 50. ♖×c7 ♖c1+ 51. ♖g1 ♖d2+-] 48... ♖h4 49. ♖e3 ♖g2 50. ♖×g2 h×g2+ 51. ♖×g2 and the black Queen is trapped.



Let's make the last issue of the Magazine a bumper games edition!

Bernard will be pleased to receive your games in ChessBase format (preferably annotated).

# Friendly Internationals

[Report by Tom Thomson]



Here are the results I have since the last Magazine. Some of you have sent me results in the last couple of months and will be disappointed not to see them published in this edition. I am sorry - I had serious computer trouble when one of my Email opponents sent me a virus with his moves. I lost of lot of files and I only have the results from the last time I made a back-up copy. If you have sent in results which are not published here, could you please send them again!

## Scotland (4½) v CiF (Chess in Friendship) (1½)

Bd 13 I.W.S. Mitchell 1½-½ L.C.B. Bianchi

## Scotland (7) v Italy (7)

Bd 12 D.R. Cumming ½-½ M. Pepe

## Scotland (23) v France (30)

Bd 8 D.E. Brown 1½-½ J. Audoubert

## Scotland (14) v Denmark (25) [Match complete]

Bd 4 A.P. Borwell ½½-½½ T. Christiansen

Bd 9 C.R. Beecham 0-2 J. Rudbeck

Bd 14 Mrs.E.A. Hartford 0-2 S. Eddy

Bd 19 D. Brown 2-0 H. Nielsen

	Scotland		Denmark
1	T. Thomson	0-2	A.B. Jorgensen
2	G.D. Pyrich	½½-½½	K. Schmidt
3	E. Sowden	1½-½	K.R. Jensen
4	A.P. Borwell	½½-½½	T. Christiansen
5	I. Mackintosh	½½-½½	J. Nielsen
6	A. Dearnley	1½-½	H.C. Schmidt
7	G.H. Phillips	0-2	B. Nielsen
8	K.W.C. Stewart	½-1½	K.H. Johnsen
9	C.R. Beecham	0-2	J. Rudbeck
10	A. Armstrong	½-1½	J. Madsen
11	A.N. Macmillen	½-1½	B. Rasmussen
12	D.G. McRoberts	½½-½½	J. Sandahl
13	D.R. Cumming	½-1½	C. Andreasen
14	Mrs EA Hartford	0-2	S. Eddy
15	B. Milligan	2-0	C. Ertbjerg
16	I. Sneddon	½½-½½	F. Karlson
17	J.R. Milne	0-2	P. Eshoj
18	G. McCoy	1-1	J. Holmstrom
19	D.E. Brown	2-0	H. Nielsen
20	C.A. Macgregor	0-2	H. Buttenschon
	Final Score	15-25	

This Autumn, a new postal match has started against Wales and also a new Email match with Brazil. Our next postal match will be against Ireland early next year.

	Scotland	Rating	Wales	Rating
1	T. Thomson	2438	F. Foldvary	2353
2	G.D. Pyrich	2379	C. Morris	2360
3	B. Milligan	2406	D. James	2243
4	G.R. Sprott	2358	M. Lane	2411
5	A.P. Borwell	2309	G.H. Phillips	2262
6	I. Mackintosh	2304	D.O. Vaughan	2272
7	K.W.C. Stewart	2239	M. Adams	2170
8	G.M. Anderson	2167	J.A. Simmons	2102
9	D.R. Cumming	2123	N.G. Evans	2003
10	A. Armstrong	2083	N. Griffiths	2100
11	D.J. Savage	2041	J. Garcia	2040
12	I.W.S. Mitchell	2023	A.J. May	2000
13	J. Anderson	1975	F. Clough	2000
14	Mrs EA Hartford	1965	K. Scantlebury	2143
15	C. Dowell	1835	K.O. Jones	1846
16	R. Loughran	1720	M. Wakeman	1805
17	K. Stoneman		E. Blackwell	1500

	Scotland	Rating	Brazil	Rating
1	A.P. Borwell	2309	PL de O. Costa Neto	
2	T. Thomson	2438	R. Mundstock	2436
3	G.D. Pyrich	2379	J.A. Correia	
4	B. Milligan	2406	T.E. Carlsen	2404
5	G.R. Sprott	2358	A.C.H. Marcolino	
6	I. Mackintosh	2306	F. Sorroche	
7	K.W.C. Stewart	2239	ALB da Silva Filho	2317
8	I.W.S. Mitchell	2023	E.T. Neto	
9	J. Anderson	1975	C. Carlsen	2179
10	A.N. Macmillen	1970	F.M. Figueiredo	2162
11	R. Loughran	1720	S.G. Barbosa	

Below and overleaf are tables of ongoing Friendly Internationals. I suspect there are a few of these games finished but the results have not been reported. Please send in missing results from completed games (even from years ago!)

	Scotland		BCCS
1	J. Watson	1½-½	R Thomas
2	M Harkins	0-2	N Ardin
3	G M Anderson	½½-½½	N Keech
4	I Sneddon		C Holt
5	D R Cumming	½-1½	P Grimsey
6	M H Dunn		B Mason
7	A Armstrong	½½-½½	B Oakes
8	A Taylor		N Payne
9	B Milligan	0-2	I Truscott
10	M Frischer		R Mann
11	R J Simpson		J Fenton
12	C R Beecham	2-0	K V Ramanamurthi
	Current Total	6-8	

	Scotland		India
1	G D Pyrich	2-0	M B Mulla
2	A P Borwell	1-1	P M Dalvi
3	K W C Stewart	½½-½½	K Lhouvum
4	T Thomson	1-1	H J Samtani
5	J Watson	½-1½	C S Mohan
6	G E Wallwork	½½-½½	A Chatterjee
7	G M Anderson	1-0	S A Salgaocar
8	I Sneddon	½-1½	K L Gala
9	I Mackintosh		V H Chole
10	M Harkins	1½-½	N K Bajpai
11	D J Savage	½½-½½	V D Pandit
12	D R Cumming	2-0	M Reddy
13	A Armstrong	1-0	A Gupta
14	D G McRoberts	2-0	S M Kutty
15	A Taylor		K Miyani
	Current Total	15½-8½	

	Scotland		Uruguay
1	K W C Stewart		D Ruzo
2	I A Mackintosh		E Beron
3	C R Beecham		J C Luzardp
4	I H Marshall	2-0	Q E A Ramini
5	C Almarza-Mato		D Tacoronte
6	G M Anderson	1-1	E Hernandez
7	I Sneddon	½½-½½	C Sacco
8	D J Savage	½-1½	J Bentancurt
9	A N Macmillen		D Ibañez
10	D R Cumming		G Berrutti
	Current Total	4½-3½	



### Ongoing Friendly Internationals (contd)

	Scotland		Israel
1	G.D. Pyrich	0-2	P. Azar
2	A. Macleod	1-1	G. Mishnavevski
3	A.P. Borwell	½-1½	I. Oren
4	C.R. Beecham		A. Gutzait
5	I. Mackintosh	1½-½	M. Elent
6	K.W.C. Stewart	1½-½	Z. Palqi
7	E.C. Sowden	½½-½½	Y. Resheff
8	C. Almarza-Mato	0-1	M. Rechtman
9	I. Marshall	½-1½	N. Solomon
10	M. Harkins	2-0	G. Erez
11	G.M. Anderson	½½-½½	I. Nov
12	I. Sneddon	½-1½	Y. Dothan
13	Mrs. E. Hartford		H. Braver
14	D.R. Cumming	0-2	Z. Bar-Ziv
15	A. Hind	½-½	A. Saad
16	A.D. Crawford	½-1½	S. Lifshitz
17	C.M. Dowell	½½-½½	R. Shtrikman
18	B. Milligan	0-1	G. Vinshtain
	Current Total	11½-17½	

	Scotland		ASPC (USA)
1	G.D. Pyrich	0-2	K. Miettinen
2	E. Sowden	½½-½½	R. Barry
3	T. Thomson	½½-½½	A. Ehrlich
4	G.H. Phillips		W. Gray
5	K.W.C. Stewart	1-1	S. Gerzadowicz
6	A.N. Macmillen	1-0	W. Muir (dec'd)
7	D.R. Cumming	½-½	J. Hopfer
8	A. Armstrong	½-1½	G.R. Arnold
9	D.G. McRoberts	1½-½	M. Mulford
10	Mrs EA Hartford		G. Roberts
11	I. Sneddon	2-0	R. Farrar
12	B. Milligan	2-0	D. Baum
13	R. Loughran		E. Boyle
14	A.D. Crawford	0-2	R. Norman
15	R.J. Simpson	0-2	M. Holsinger
16	C.A. Macgregor	0-2	S. Evans
17	A. Dearnley	2-0	W. Sedlmayer
18	J.R. Milne	½½-½½	C. Vanderbeek
19	G. McCoy	2-0	R. Charucki
	Current Total	15½-14½	

	Scotland		Italy
1	T. Thomson	1½-½	A. Diblio
2	G.D. Pyrich	½½-½½	G. Quattrocchi
3	E. Sowden	½-½	G. Santoro
4	A.P. Borwell		M. Sampieri
5	A. Dearnley		M. Capezza
6	K.W.C. Stewart	½½-½½	I. Zaniratti
7	C.R. Beecham	2-0	P. Denaro
8	A. Armstrong	0-2	L. Olivotto
9	A.N. Macmillen		A. Dosi
10	D.G. McRoberts		G. Scaranuzzo
11	W.M. Cook		I. Dell
12	D.R. Cumming	½-½	M. Pepe
13	C. Almarza-Mato	½-1½	L. Mauro
14	B. Milligan		L. Bruschetta
15	Mrs EA Hartford		M. Schiappacasse
16	G.R. McDonald		R. Niro
17	G. McCoy		A. Pieretti
18	I. Sneddon		C. Casella
19	R. Loughran		P. Lumachi
20	J.R. Milne		M. Bertossi
	Current Total	7-7	

	Scotland		LADAC
1	G.D. Pyrich	½½-½½	C. Cranbourne
2	E. Sowden	½½-½½	A. Mozzino
3	T. Thomson	½½-½½	J. Clarizza
4	G.H. Phillips	0-2	H.A. Bericat
5	K.W.C. Stewart		A.O. Cena
6	I. Mackintosh	2-0	C.J. Goncalves
7	A.N. Macmillen	½½-½½	R.H. Almeida
8	D.R. Cumming		F. Chacon Oribe
9	A. Armstrong		J.D. Finkelstein
10	D.G. McRoberts	0-2	G.A. Campos
11	Mrs EA Hartford		M.R. Gallo
12	I. Sneddon	0-2	L. Montaner
13	B. Milligan	1½-½	A. Cassola
14	C.A. Macgregor	0-2	H.R. Abaio
15	A. Dearnley		C.G. Dieta
16	J.R. Milne		R.O. Lopez
17	G. McCoy		M. Paglino
18	D.E. Brown		J.M. Oroquieta
	Current Total	8½-13½	



## INTERNATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE CHESS FEDERATION

### Entry form for Scottish CCA members for ICCF Individual Tournaments

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Member No. \_\_\_\_\_ Tel. No. (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode \_\_\_\_\_ Email address (where applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Rating (ICCF, SCCA or OTB) \_\_\_\_\_ Date entry sent to SCCA \_\_\_\_\_

Individual Tournaments	Fee ** to 31.12.00	No. of players	World (W) or Europe(E)	Postal (P) or Email (EM)	No of Groups	Amount £
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Master Class	£8	11				
Master Norm	£15	11				
Thematic *	£6	7	World only	Code:		
World Cup	£8	11	World only			
ICCF Badge	£2	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
<b>Total</b>						£

\* See Scottish CCA Magazine for Openings details/codes - Postal only      \*\* Check with Tom Thomson from 1/1/2001

Please send entries (with cheque payable to the "Scottish Correspondence Chess Association") to:  
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# ICCF INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENTS



(by George Pyrich & Tom Thomson)

After a very quiet spell, we have only 3 new entries this time, Nos. 19 to 21 below.

No	Name	Tourney Class/Players	Tourney Ref	Method of Play
19	CA Macgregor	World Open	7	Corr
20	I.H. Marshall	World Higher	7	Corr
21	I.S. Campbell	World Master	11	Em/M/A/133 Email

## Results

Name	Tournament Class	Final Place	Score
J.R. Milne	W/III/951	4=	2½/6
CA Macgregor	W/III/965	3=	4/6
J.S. Crawley	EU/III/GT/155	12	2/14

Please note that Tom Thomson has taken over from George as SCCA International Secretary - future entries should be sent to Tom.

## The 5<sup>th</sup> North Atlantic Team Tournament

is to begin later this year on 29/12/2000. It should be interesting to see how the tournament is going to be set up. One of the objectives of the tournament is to provide opportunities for international master norms, and therefore BFCC (the organisers) reserve the right to adjust board order as necessary in order to give norm possibilities on all boards.

The Scottish Team will be: Doug Finnie [2459], Bernard Milligan [2406], Iain Mackintosh [2304], Alan Brown [2271], David Jenkins [2271], George Livie [2264], Chris Boyle [2235], Iain Sneddon [2234], John Findlay [2200], Albert Norris [2211].

Provisional Statistics are as follows:-

Ranking by average rating: 1. Spain, 2. England, 3. USA, 4. Iceland, 5. Canada, 6. France, 7. Portugal, 8. Scotland, 9= Ireland and Norway, 11. Wales.

Provisional categories on Bds 1-10 are:-

1. Average 2460, category 9, 3 SIMs, 1 IM
2. Average 2426, category 8, 2 SIMs, 3 IMs, 1 FIDE IM
3. Average 2380, category 6, 4 IMs
4. Average 2369, category 5
5. Average 2352, category 5
6. Average 2321, category 3
7. Average 2312, category 3
8. Average 2303, category 3
9. Average 2281, category 2
10. Average 2251, category 1

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August	1 <sup>st</sup>	A. Grant
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	G.W.G. Livie
September	1 <sup>st</sup>	A.P. Borwell
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	J.S. Murray
October	1 <sup>st</sup>	G. McKnight
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	T.A.H. Taylor

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**May I also remind existing members to make sure their mandates have been changed.**



## INTERNATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE CHESS FEDERATION INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENTS

Members of the Scottish CCA are eligible to play in ICCF Postal and Email tournaments. These events are structured to encourage participation by CC players of all standards. Members can choose between World and European promotion tournaments ranging upwards from Open Class, Higher class and Master class. Entries to Higher or Master class tournaments for the first time, require evidence of CC playing strength, if a player has not qualified for promotion from either an Open class or Higher class tournament. The following rating groups are for guidance only and do not preclude entry to a different class with the agreement of the SCCA International Secretary:

- O Class (under 1900),
- H Class (1900-2100)
- M Class (over 2100).

Below Master Class, all promotion tournaments are organised in 7-player sections, with 11 players in M-Class sections. You can play simultaneously at any one level until you win promotion and it is possible to interchange between Postal/Email tournaments, e.g. winning a Postal Open Class could be used to play in an Email Higher Class, etc.

New World Cup tournaments begin every 2/3 years. Sections are comprised of 11 players of all strengths. Winners proceed to the Semi-Finals and winners of these qualify for a World Cup Final. The entry fee covers participation in all stages and players may make multiple entries, but only two qualifications to the Semi-Final round are permitted. (A new cycle began earlier this year but the next one is likely to be announced within two years).

Openings thematic tournaments are also available and more details of these are published in the SCCA Magazine, Fernschach, Chess Mail and on the ICCF and SCCA websites.

Master Norm tournaments of 11 players are available for strong players, by both airmail and Email. A fixed ICCF rating of 2300 (2000 for ladies) or non-fixed rating of at least 2350 (2050 for ladies) is normally required, or else (for players not rated by ICCF) a current FIDE-rating of at least 2350 (2050 for ladies). Players who have taken a medal place (1 to 3) in a national championship, (or won a national championship for ladies) can also enter. A player can enter only one postal section and one Email section each calendar year. Section winners, who do not reach the norm result, will instead receive a qualification for a World Championship Semi-Final.

For postal play, the International Numeric notation is normally used and full details of this simple system, along with ICCF Rules, are sent to each new entrant along with the receipt for his/her entry fee. The time limit is 30 days for every 10 moves and one exceeding of the time limit is permitted. A period of 30 days' leave is also allowed each calendar year. To speed progress, air mail stickers should be used to Europe as well as elsewhere as the international rate for postcards is not increased by this service.

Please be aware that some patience is required, as a game can take about 3 years against an opponent from a country with a poor postal service, and silent withdrawal is bad etiquette. It is recommended that players use International CC postcards, these being available along with other postal chess supplies, from Chess and Bridge Suppliers (Scotland). It is also permitted to use Email, by mutual agreement with opponents, if this could be beneficial for speeding up slow games in postal CC events.

Please note that the fees shown on page 31 could be varied from 1.1.2001. Please check with Tom Thomson from that date about current fees.

For Email tournaments, PGN notation (algebraic) is recommended and the rate of play is 10 moves in every 60 days. International Email promotion tournaments are structured in the same way as postal tournaments, ranging upwards from Open class to Higher class and Master class. ICCF Email rules are downloadable from the ICCF website.

A point to be borne in mind in deciding how many games to play, is that, compared with postal, the rate of play via Email is much quicker. Therefore, it is better to play fewer Email games simultaneously but, as these will be completed sooner, you can enter new tournaments more frequently!

A prerequisite for entry via the SCCA to all ICCF events is that the player is and continues to be a full member of the SCCA for the duration of the tournament.

We wish you great enjoyment from your overseas games and making new friends either by post or Email!

An entry form for ICCF tournaments is included on page 31 of this magazine.

### Web pages to watch!

Information about ICCF events, news and activities are featured on the following WWW sites:-

#### ICCF

<http://www.iccf.com>

#### Chess Mail

<http://www.chessmail.com>

#### The Correspondence Chess Place

<http://www.correspondencechess.com>

This site provides a facility for downloading CC Email and postal games! It also contains the lively TCCMB (message board) where you can read a very diverse range of opinions about CC and connected topics! It hosts other good sites.

## ICCF THEMATIC TOURNAMENTS

Details of Thematic tournaments coming up in the near future - there must be something to your taste!

Sections of 5-7 players, two games against each opponent. Top two players qualify for each Final.

### Entries by 15/12/2000, start 01/02/2001

#### 1 Fegatello Variation, C57

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bc4 Nf6 4 Ng5 d5 5 exd5  
Nxd5 6 Nxf7 Kxf7 7 Qf3 Ke6 8 Nc3

#### 2 Alekhine Defence, B02-05

1 e4 Nf6

### Entries by 15/01/2001, start 15/03/2001

#### 3 Ruy Lopez - Cordel Defence, C64

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 Bc5

#### 4 French Defence, C11

1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 Nf6 4 e5 Nd7 5 f4 c5 6 Nf3

### Entries by 01/03/2001, start on 01/05/2001

#### 5 Trompowski Opening, A45

1 d4 Nf6 2 Bg5 Ne4

#### 6 Sicilian Defence - Moscow Variation, B51

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 Bb5

Entry Fee is £6 per group (payable to Scottish CCA) to :-

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## Friendly International - Scotland v Chess in Friendship

	Scotland		CIF
1	T. Thomson		R. Markus
2	G.D. Pyrich		H. Gnirk
3	A.P. Borwell		J. Mrkvicka
4	A. Dearnley		F. Kaden
5	I Mackintosh		C. Dullaert
6	K.W.C. Stewart		R. Sicker
7	A. Armstrong	1-1	A. Stummerer
8	B. Milligan		H. Kellerer
9	D.R. Cumming		G. Mack
10	W.M. Cook		B. Lowe
11	D.J. Savage		W. Schroder
12	J.M. McArthur		R. Thorhauer
13	I.W.S. Mitchell	1½-½	LC Batres Bianchi
14	Mrs EA Hartford		V. Thorhauer
15	C. Dowell		B. Grafrath
16	R. Loughran		U. Hasler
17	C.A. Macgregor	2-0	W. Krahl
18	J.K. Stoneman		M. Thorhauer
	Current Total	4½-1½	

Please send your results from Friendly Internationals to Tom Thomson immediately on completion of each game (whether it is a win, draw or loss!).

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# ICCF Email Team Tournament Final

No	Board 1 : Tom Craig		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Pts
1	Felber, R Austria-2 2369	◆	½	0	1	½	0	0	½	½	3	
2	Esses, M CAPA2/ARG 2350	½	◆	½	1	1		½	1	½		
3	Leko, P Szeged/HUN 2694	1	½	◆	½	½	½	0		½		
4	Alvarez Villar, H CITEFA/ARG 2321	0	0	½	◆	½	½	½	½	0	2½	
5	de Groot, A NBC-1/NLD 2454	½	0	½	½	◆	1	0	1	½	4	
6	Craig, TJ Scotland-A 2425	1	½	½	0	◆	½	½	½			
7	Pankratov, V Russia-1 2500	1	½	1	½	1	½	◆	1	1	6½	
8	Wang, Mong Lin Singapore 2511	½	0		½	0	½	0	◆	½		
9	Brueckner, J Rochade/GER 2442	½	½	½	1	½	½	0	½	◆	4	

No	Board 2 : Philip Giulian		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Pts
1	Patocka, F Austria-2 2371	◆	0	½	½	1	0	½	1	½	4	
2	Taboada, P CAPA2/ARG 2441	1	◆	½		1	0		1	0		
3	Gyimesi, Z Szeged/HUN 2529	½	½	◆	1	1	0	½	½	0	4	
4	Gimenez, DM CITEFA/ARG 2385	½		0	◆	1	1	0	½	½		
5	Eveleens, W NBC-1/NLD 2411	0	0	0	0	◆	0	0	0	0	0	
6	Giulian, PM Scotland-A 2394	1	1	1	0	1	◆	½	1	½	6	
7	Pankratov, A Russia-1 2551	½	½	1	1	½	◆	½				
8	Kivisto, M Singapore 2296	0	0	½	½	1	0	½	◆	½		
9	Moessle, H Rochade/GER 2417	½	1	1	½	1	½		½	◆		

No	Board 3 : Doug Finnie		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Pts
1	Schmidt, W Austria-2 2308	◆	½	½	1	0	0	0	0	½	2½	
2	Frank, M CAPA2/ARG 2315	½	◆	½	½	0	0	0	½	0	2	
3	Berecz, A Szeged/HUN 2405	½	½	◆	1	½	½	0	½	½	4	
4	Fernandez, JH CITEFA/ARG 2317	0	½	0	◆	½	½	0	0			
5	van Wieringen, C NBC-1/NLD 2411	1	1	½	½	◆	½	½	½	½	5	
6	Finnie, DS Scotland-A 2377	1	1	½	½	◆	½	½	1	5½		
7	Romanov, S Russia-1 2529	1	1	1	1	½	½	◆	½	½	6	
8	Tay, J Singapore 2200	1	½	½	1	½	½	½	◆	½	5	
9	Wrba, K Rochade/GER 2423	½	1	½		½	0	½	½	◆		

No	Board 4 : George Pyrich		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Pts
1	Haika, G Austria-2 2200	◆	½	1	1	½	1	0	1	0	5	
2	Domancich, E CAPA2/ARG 2290	½	◆	½	½	0	½	0	1	½	3½	
3	Blazsik, Z Szeged/HUN 2245	0	½	◆	½	½		0	1	0		
4	Lamas, DG CITEFA/ARG 2200	0	½	½	◆	½	½	0	1	½	3½	
5	Pommerel, W NBC-1/NLD 2394	½	1	½	½	◆	½	½	1	½	5	
6	Pyrich, GD Scotland-A 2377	0	½		½	½	◆	0	1	½		
7	Dolgov, IM Russia-1 2276	1	1	1	1	1	◆	1	1	7½		
8	Livelo, JD Singapore 2200	0	0	0	0	0	0	◆	0	0	0	
9	Schreiner, R Rochade/GER 2200	1	½	1	½	½	½	0	1	◆	5	

1. Russia-1 24/30 (2) 80% (Winners!); 2. Scotland-A 18/30 (2) 60%; 3. Rochade/GER 17½/30 (2) 58.3%;  
4. CAPA2/ARG 14/29 (3) 48.3%; 5. Szeged/HUN 14/30 (2) 46.7%; 6. Austria-2 14½/32 45.3%;  
8. CITEFA/ARG 11/30 (2) 36.7%; 9. Singapore 10/31 (1) 32.2%



# ICCF OLYMPIAD XII FINAL

Board 1 - David A. Kilgour					1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Pts
1	Portilho	GF	2430	BRS	◆	½					0			½			
2	Zapletal	J IM	2525	CZE	½	◆			½		½	½		½			
3	Al-Thani	MK IM	2630	QTR			◆	0		½	½						
4	Vitomskis	J IM	2590	LAT			1	◆	½	½	½		½	½	1	½	
5	Neumann	J IM	2695	GER		½		½	◆	1	0		½	½			
6	Maliangkay	RJ GM	2605	NLD			½	½	0	◆	½	0	½	½	1		
7	Hamarat	T GM	2595	OST	1	½	½	½	1	½	◆		½		½	½	
8	Andersson	U (GM)	(2635)	SVE		½				1		◆	½	½			
9	Knobel	R	2545	SWZ				½	½	½	½	½	◆				
10	Kilgour	DA GM	2610	SCO	½	½		½	½	½		½		◆	1		
11	Greig	G	2470	CAN				0		0	½			0	◆		
12	Normantas	V GM	2625	LIT				½			½						◆

Board 2 - Colin A. McNab					1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Pts
1	de Cresce	SH IM	2475	BRS	◆		1	½	½		1		½				
2	Mraz	M IM	2525	CZE		◆	1		0	½		1	½			½	
3	Al-Modaikhi	M	2085	QTR	0	0	◆	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	Saksis	J IM	2525	LAT	½		1	◆	½	½	0	1	1	½	1	½	
5	Nimtz	M IM	2605	GER	½	1	1	½	◆	0	½	1	1	½	1		
6	Gouw	C-P IM	2460	NLD		½	1	½	1	◆	1		½	1		0	
7	Neuschmied	S	2540	OST	0		1	1	½	0	◆	½	1	½	1	½	
8	Carlsson	I	2500	SVE		0	1	0	0		½	◆	1	1		½	
9	Rüfenacht	M GM	2555	SWZ	½	½	1	0	0	½	0	0	◆	½	1	0	4
10	McNab	CA IM	2505	SCO			1	½	½	0	½	0	½	◆		½	
11	Deidun Sr.	J	2435	CAN			1	0	0		0				◆		
12	Gefenas	V IM	2575	LIT		½	1	½		1	½	½	1	½			◆

Board 3 - Philip M. Giulian					1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Pts
1	Felicio	C IM	2435	BRS	◆	½		½	0				½			½	
2	Sevecek	R IM	2575	CZE	½	◆	½	½				½	½			½	
3	Shardarevian	M	2200	QTR		½	◆		0					0	1		
4	Strautins	U IM	2515	LAT	½	½		◆	½	1		½	½		1	½	
5	Anton	V-M GM	2625	GER	1		1	½	◆	1		1	1	1	½		
6	v.d. Plaasche	B	2520	NLD				0	0	◆	½	½	0	½	0	0	
7	Wohlfahrt	H	2530	OST						½	◆		0				
8	Johansson	I IM	2530	SVE		½		½	0	½		◆	0	½	0	½	
9	Bhend	E IM	2490	SWZ	½	½		½	0	1	1	1	◆	½	½	½	
10	Giulian	PM IM	2445	SCO			1		0	½		½	½	◆	1	1	½
11	Demian	E	2390	CAN			0	0	½	1		1	½	0	◆	½	
12	Rumiancevas	B GM	2515	LIT	½	½		½		1		½	½	½	½		◆

Board 4 - George D. Pyrich					1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Pts
1	Joao	N	2485	BRS	◆		½				0		½	½	½		
2	Danek	L IM	2495	CZE		◆		½		½	0	1		1			
3	Mousa	EAH	2200	QTR	½		◆	½					0		1		
4	Dauga	Z IM	2500	LAT		½	½	◆	0		0		1	½	1	0	
5	Kreuzer	M GM	2615	GER				1	◆	1	1			½	1		
6	Nienhuis	K IM	2410	NLD		½			0	◆	0	½	0	½	½		
7	Teichmeister	S IM	2515	OST	1	1		1	0	1	◆	1	½	½	1	0	
8	Holmberg	R IM	2560	SVE		0				½	0	◆	0	½		0	
9	Issler	C IM	2555	SWZ	½		1	0		1	½	1	◆	1	1	1	
10	Pyrich	GD IM	2375	SCO	½	0		½	½	½	½	½	0	◆	1	½	
11	Cody	PC	2350	CAN	½		0	0	0	½	0		0	0	◆	0	
12	Sutkus	R GM	2535	LIT				1			1	1	0	½	1	◆	

# ICCF OLYMPIAD XII FINAL contd

Board 5 - Tom Craig				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Pts
1	Amorim	GS	2430 BRS	◆	½		½			½	½	½	½	0		
2	Teichmann	C IM	2450 CZE	½	◆	1	0	0	½	½	½	½		½	½	
3	Al-Khateeb	A	2505 QTR		0	◆		0			½	0		0		
4	Strautins	V IM	2465 LAT	½	1		◆	½	½		½	1		½	½	
5	Busemann	S GM	2585 GER		1	1	½	◆	1	1	½	½	1	½		
6	van Perlo	G GM	2440 NLD		½		½	0	◆	½	½	½		1		
7	Mayr	K IM	2465 OST	½	½			0	½	◆	0	½	1	½	0	
8	Hjelm	N	2375 SVE	½	½	½	½	½	½	1	◆	½	1	1	½	7
9	Klügel	J-U	2535 SWZ	½	½	1	0	½	½	½	½	◆	½	½	½	5½
10	Craig	TJ	2385 SCO	½				0		0	0	½	◆	½	0	
11	Mrugala	A	2335 CAN	1	½	1	½	½	0	½	0	½	½	◆	0	5
12	Slekys	E	2350 LIT		½		½			1	½	½	1	1	◆	

Board 6 - Joe Watson				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Pts
1	Barata	HAG	2285 BRS	◆	½	1	½	0	½	½	½	½	0	1	½	5½
2	Pribyl	J	2420 CZE	½	◆	1	0	0	1	0	½	½	1	1	½	6
3	Al-Hitmi	MM	2200 QTR	0	0	◆	0	0	0	½	0	½	½	0	0	1½
4	Kazoks	A IM	2415 LAT	½	1	1	◆	½	½	½	½	½	0	1		
5	Maeder	K-H GM	2575 GER	1	1	1	½	◆	1	½	1	1	0	1		
6	Frederiks	R	2505 NLD	½	0	1	½	0	◆	0	0	0	0		0	
7	Thannhauser	F	2465 OST	½	1	½	½	½	1	◆	½	½	½	1	½	7
8	Andersson	M	2290 SVE	½	½	1	½	0	1	½	◆	½	1		½	
9	Giertz	N IM	2325 SWZ	½	½	½	½	0	1	½	½	◆	0	1	0	5
10	Watson	J IM	2425 SCO	1	0	½	1	1	1	½	0	1	◆	1	½	7½
11	Leskowsky	Z IM	2225 CAN	0	0	1	0	0		0		0	0	◆	0	
12	Sutkus	V	2280 LIT	½	½	1			1	½	½	1	½	1	◆	

	Team	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	P	R	%	Pos	
1	BRAZIL	BRS	◆	2	2½	2	½	½	2	1	2½	1½	1½	1	17	+30	47	9 <sup>th</sup>
2	CZECH REP	CZE	2	◆	3½	1	½	2½	1	4	2	2½	1½	2	22½	+23	52	6 <sup>th</sup>
3	QATAR	QTR	½	½	◆	½	0	½	1	½	½	2	0	6½	+28	17	12 <sup>th</sup>	
4	LATVIA	LAT	2	3	3½	◆	2½	3	1	2½	4½	1½	5½	2	31	+14	60	3 <sup>rd</sup>
5	GERMANY	GER	2½	3½	4	3½	◆	5	3	3½	4	3½	4	0	36½	+18	76	1 <sup>st</sup>
6	NETHERLANDS	NLD	½	1½	2½	2	1	◆	2½	1½	1½	2½	2½	0	18	+18	38	10 <sup>th</sup>
7	AUSTRIA	OST	3	3	2	3	2	3½	◆	2	3	2½	4	1½	29½	+15	58	4 <sup>th</sup>
8	SWEDEN	SVE	1	2	2½	1½	½	3½	2	◆	2½	4½	1	2	23	+19	49	8 <sup>th</sup>
9	SWITZERLAND	SWZ	2½	2	3½	1½	1	4½	3	3½	◆	2½	4	2	30	+9	53	5 <sup>th</sup>
10	SCOTLAND	SCO	2½	½	2½	2½	2½	2½	1½	1½	2½	◆	4½	2	25	+16	50	7 <sup>th</sup>
11	CANADA	CAN	1½	½	3	½	1	1½	1	1	1	½	◆	½	12	+20	26	11 <sup>th</sup>
12	LITHUANIA	LIT	1	2	2	3	0	3	3½	3	3	3	3½	◆	27	+26	68	2 <sup>nd</sup>



# ICCF OLYMPIAD XIII PRELIMINARIES

Board 1 - D.A. Kilgour				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	Pts
1	Dronov	A	2200 RUS	◆	1			½		½			1	0	1	0	
2	Camilleri	H	2340 MLT	0	◆		0	0	0	0		0	0	0	½		
3	Fabri	F IM	2500 HUN			◆		0		½					½		
4	De Mauro	J IM	2520 USA		1		◆			½		½		1		1	
5	Mooij	W IM	2505 NLD	½	1	1		◆	½	½	½	½	1	½	½		
6	Ponelis	A	2315 RSA					½	◆		½			½			
7	Krivososovs	V	2475 LAT	½	1	½	½	½		◆	½	0	½	½	1		
8	Jovcic	M GM	2455 YUG					½	½	½	◆	½				½	
9	Lecroq	M IM	2570 FRA		1		½	½		1	½	◆	1	½	1	½	
10	Davila	M	2200 URU	0				0		½		0	◆	½	½	½	
11	Halldorsson	J A	2475 ISD	1	1		0	½	½	½		½	½	◆	½	½	
12	Kilgour	D A GM	2610 SCO	0	½	½		½		0		0	½	½	◆	½	
13	Volchok	A S GM	2605 UKR	1			0				½	½	½	½	½	◆	

Board 2 - A.P. Borwell				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	Pts
1	Makarov	A	2535 RUS	◆	1			1	1		½		½	½		1	
2	Camilleri	S	2275 MLT	0	◆			½	½					½		0	
3	Mihalkó	J	2530 HUN			◆				1							
4	Edwards	J	2550 USA				◆	½				½					
5	Plomp	M	2440 NLD	0	½		½	◆		1		1	½	1	1		
6	Knol	D	2285 RSA	0	½				◆			0				½	
7	Batakovs	O IM	2460 LAT			0		0		◆		0			1	½	
8	Milovanovic	M IM	2430 YUG	½							◆						
9	Boissel	B	2630 FRA				½	0	1	1		◆	1	½	1	½	
10	Ruzo	D	2200 URU	½				½				0	◆			½	
11	Kárason	A O IM	2460 ISD	½	½			0				½		◆	1	0	
12	Borwell	A P IM	2370 SCO					0	0	0		0		0	◆	0	
13	Kamenets	A V IM	2540 UKR	0	1				½	½		½	½	1	1	◆	

Board 3 - S.R. Gillam				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	Pts
1	Pinkovetsky	S IM	2380 RUS	◆	1	½	½	½	1			½	1	½			
2	Vincenti	D C	2200 MLT	0	◆	½		0		1	½					0	
3	Janosi	E IM	2415 HUN	½	½	◆	½	½	1	½		1	1	½	1	½	
4	Kubach	G IM	2510 USA	½		½	◆	1	½	1		½	1		½	½	
5	Pillhock	D	2495 NLD	½	1	½	0	◆	1	1		1	1	½	1	½	
6	Knipe	J	2200 RSA	0		0	½	0	◆	1		1			0	0	
7	Viksna	T	2470 LAT		0	½	0	0	0	◆		1	½	0	½	½	
8	Konjevic	D	2470 YUG		½						◆	½					
9	Herb	P	2540 FRA	½		0	½	0	0	0	½	◆	1	0	½		
10	Betancurt	J	2200 URU	0		0	0	0		½		0	◆	½		0	
11	Pálsson	J A IM	2425 ISD	½		½		½		1		1	½	◆	½	½	
12	Gillam	S R	2385 SCO				½	0	1	½		½		½	◆		
13	Lepikhov	A G IM	2575 UKR		1	½	½	½	1	½			1	½		◆	

Board 4 - T. Thomson				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	Pts
1	Shemagonov	V	2320 RUS	◆					1	½		½	½				
2	Sammur	R	2185 MLT		◆		0		1	0		0		1	½		
3	Timár	Z	2425 HUN			◆	½	½	1	½	½	½		½	½	½	
4	Maillard	B IM	2470 USA		1	½	◆		1	½		0			½		
5	van Egmond	R IM	2430 NLD			½		◆	1	½	½	0		½	½	0	
6	Terblanche	D J	2150 RSA	0	0	0	0	0	◆	0		0		0	½		
7	Volaks	B	2465 LAT	½	1	½	½	½	1	◆	½	0		1	½	½	
8	Mirkovic	S	2200 YUG			½		½		½	◆						
9	Léotard	C	2575 FRA	½	1	½	1	1	1	1		◆	1	1	½	½	
10	Luzardo	J	2315 URU	½								0	◆		0		
11	Vigfússon	V	2395 ISD		0	½		½	1	0		0		◆	0		
12	Thomson	T	2270 SCO		½	½	½	½	½	½		½	1	1	◆	½	
13	Kashljuk	V I	2520 UKR			½		1		½		½			½	◆	



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Board 5 - G.R. Sprott				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	Pts
1	Khromov	S	2440 RUS	◆	1		1		1	½		0	1		1	½	
2	Grillage	A	2200 MLT	0	◆	0	0	½	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	½
3	Keszi, J / Soreghy		2430 HUN		1	◆				0		0	1		0		
4	Timm	J	2535 USA	0	1		◆	1		½			1		1		
5	Sprenger	E IM	2445 NLD		½		0	◆	1	0	½	0	1	½	½		
6	Benade	J T	2200 RSA	0	1			0	◆	0	0		1		0		
7	Gaujens	A	2395 LAT	½	1	1	½	1	1	◆	½	0	1	1	1	1	9½
8	Somborski	N	2435 YUG		1			½	1	½	◆	½	1				
9	Vinot	S IM	2510 FRA	1	1	1		1		1	½	◆	1		½		
10	Berrutti	G	2200 URU	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	◆	0	½	0	1½
11	Elison	K	2240 ISD		1			½		0			1	◆	½		
12	Spratt	G R	2285 SCO	0	1	1	0	½	1	0		½	½	½	◆	1	
13	Kuznetsov	S IM	2505 UKR	½	1					0			1		0	◆	

Board 6 - D. Neil				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	Pts
1	Lyukmanov	V	2290 RUS	◆		0	1	½	1		0		1	1			
2	Richards	J	2200 MLT		◆	0		0	1	0		0	1	0	0		
3	Dobsa	S	2340 HUN	1	1	◆		0	1	½	½	0	1		0		
4	Fleetwood	D	2495 USA	0			◆	0	1	½		½	1		1		
5	vd Langenberg	C	2475 NLD	½	1	1	1	◆	1	½		½	1	½	1	½	
6	van Greuning	T	2200 RSA	0	0	0	0	0	◆	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	Salminš	G	2330 LAT		1	½	½	½	1	◆		½	1	½		½	
8	Erdeljan	M	2410 YUG	1		½			1		◆						
9	Spitz	P	2510 FRA		1	1	½	½	1	½		◆	1		0		
10	Ramini	E	2030 URU	0	0	0	0	0	1	0		0	◆	0	0	0	
11	Gunnlaugsson	G	2335 ISD	0	1			½	1	½			1	◆	0		
12	Neil	D	2200 SCO		1	1	0	0	1			1	1	1	◆		
13	Terelya	I M	2475 UKR					½	1	½			1			◆	

## Section 4 Teams

	Team	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	P	R	%	Pos
1	RUSSIA RUS	◆	4	½	2½	2½	5	1½	½	1	5	2	2	1½	28	+31	68	1 <sup>st</sup>
2	MALTA MLT	0	◆	½	0	1	2½	1	½	0	1	1½	1	0	9	+28	20	11 <sup>th</sup>
3	HUNGARY HUN	1½	2½	◆	1	1	3	3	1	1½	3	1	2	1	21½	+34	57	7 <sup>th</sup>
4	USA USA	½	3	1	◆	2½	2½	3	0	2	3	1	3	1½	23	+37	66	3 <sup>rd</sup>
5	NETHERLANDS NLD	1½	4	3	1½	◆	4½	3½	1½	3	4½	3½	4½	1	36	+15	63	5 <sup>th</sup>
6	SOUTH AFRICA RSA	0	1½	0	½	½	◆	1	½	1	1	½	½	½	7½	+29	17	12 <sup>th</sup>
7	LATVIA LAT	1½	4	3	2	2½	3	◆	1½	1½	3	3	4	3	32	+15	56	8 <sup>th</sup>
8	YUGOSLAVIA YUG	1½	1½	1	0	1½	2½	1½	◆	1½	1	0	0	½	12½	+52	63	4 <sup>th</sup>
9	FRANCE FRA	2	4	2½	3	3	3	4½	1½	◆	6	2	3½	1½	36½	+18	68	2 <sup>nd</sup>
10	URUGUAY URU	1	1	0	0	½	1	1	0	0	◆	1	1	1	7½	+27	17	13 <sup>th</sup>
11	ICELAND ISD	2	3½	1	0	2½	2½	2	0	2	3	◆	2½	1	22	+29	51	9 <sup>th</sup>
12	SCOTLAND SCO	0	3	3	1	1½	3½	1	0	2½	3	3½	◆	2	24	+22	48	10 <sup>th</sup>
13	UKRAINE UKR	1½	3	1	½	2	2½	2	½	1½	4	2	2	◆	22½	+35	61	6 <sup>th</sup>

## Leaders in Sections

Section 1		Section 2		Section 3		Section 4	
Germany	73%	Luxembourg	66%	Slovakia	64%	Russia	68%
Brazil	70%	Lithuania	64%	Estonia	63%	France	68%
Bulgaria	64%	England	64%	Austria	62%	USA	66%
Czech Republic	64%	Argentina	64%	Sweden	61%	Yugoslavia	63%
Belarus	61%	Poland	60%	Italy	57%	Netherlands	63%
Turkey	57%	Israel	59%	Australia	56%	Ukraine	61%

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