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Prague Unity Agreement Update

The first step on the FIDE side of the scheme to bring about a unified world championship title has now been finalized, more or less. The FIDE knockout championship is going to be held in Tripoli, Libya from May 8 – June 2. The only contingency at the moment is that Israeli nationals cannot currently travel in Lybia. The President of FIDE, Kirsan Ilyumzhinov, has said he will try to convince the Libyan President, Mohammar Gadaffi, to grant an exception for the FIDE tournament. Otherwise, the knockout will be split into 2 parts, with the second being held in Malta.

The new FIDE champion will then play Garry Kasparov (Russia), the # 1 rated player in the world. The winner of that match will then play the winner of the Vladimir Kramnik (Russia) – Peter Leko (Hungary) match being held Sept. 25 – Oct. 18 (location still to be announced).

TORONTO SENIOR CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

For Chess Players age 50 and better*

Dates: Saturday March 27 and Sunday March 28, 2004

Place: Bradgate Arms, 54 Foxbar Rd., Toronto (southeast of Avenue Rd & St. Clair)

Type: Five Rounds Regular Swiss; one section; CFC rated (All entrants must be or

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Royal Canadian Legion # 42, 303 Kingston Rd. (at Woodbine Ave.)

become **members of the Chess Federation of Canada; or purchase a CFC tournament membership.**)

**Rounds: Saturday Round 1 at 9:45 am; Round 2 at 1:45 pm; Round 3 at 5:45 pm;
Sunday Round 4 at 10:30 am; Round 5 at 2:30 pm**

**Time Control: (Rounds 1-3): 90 minutes per game per player
(Rounds 4-5): 105 minutes per game per player**

**Entry Fee: \$25
On site entries close 9:50 am, March 27, 2004**

Prize Fund: 80% (cash, trophy)

Organizer and TD: Martin Jaeger Assistant: Wilf Ferner

Info: Martin Jaeger-Phone 416-445-9293; Email: weferner@pathcom.com

Site: Courtesy BRADGATE ARMS-a first class residence within a full service luxury hotel

Please bring sets, boards, and clocks

Regular CFC ratings will be used; please bring your latest CFC rating

A player may take up to two byes (excluding last round)

No Smoking!
Limited on street parking

*Tournament open to players born before March 28, 1954 – bring proof of age

Registration Form: mail entries to M.Jaeger, #1201-755 York Mills Rd., Toronto, ON M3B 1X5; make cheques payable to M. Jaeger; mail entry deadline postmarked Mar.22; cash only at site.

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ CFC Number: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Province: _____ Postal Code: _____ Phone: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Regular CFC Rating: _____ Approximate date of publication: _____

Email: _____ Advance Byes: _____

Entry Fee(\$25): _____ CFC/OCA Annual Fee(\$43): _____ CFC/OCA Tournament Fee(\$10): _____

Total Fees: _____. Please enter early!

Canadian Chess History
(submitted by David Cohen)

CFC Annual Meeting at City Hall Council Chambers

No, I'm not talking about 2004 or the excellent time the CFC Governors had in 2003 in Kapuskasing. I'm talking about when the tradition started - in 1872!

The first meeting of the Canadian Chess Association (now the CFC) took place in the Council Chambers of the City Hall at Hamilton, Ontario on September 24, 1872.

According to the report in the next day's Hamilton Spectator, there were 28 chess players at the first meeting of the CCA: James Taylor, Wm. D. Balfour, James M. Russell, R.H. Ramsay, S.J. Ramsay, F.T. Jones, P. St. Clair McGregor, John Henderson, John White, George Jackson, J.B. Salter, D.J. Wallace, Alex W. Roy, Robert S. Burns, W.S. Taylor (Chair of the meeting), F.C.N. Robertson, John Young, A. Wolverton, Isaac Ryall, Thomas Burns, James G. Davis, T.C. Mewburn, J. Beld, W.H. Stotesbury, W.H. Judd, W.F. Mackay, William Marshall, C.P. Mason.

A constitution was adopted, and the following officers were elected. President: Professor John B. Cherriman (Toronto, Ontario); Vice-Presidents: Professor Henry A. Howe (Montreal, Quebec), Professor James DeMille (Halifax, Nova Scotia); Dr. Allen M. King (Saint John, New Brunswick); Secretary: Dr. Isaac Ryall (Hamilton, Ontario).

16 players registered to play in a tournament. However, many found their time taken up with conducting business at the concurrent provincial Exposition, and so were too busy to complete a formal tournament. Instead, several of the members engaged in contests, and some very fine games were played.

Canada Day Chess Festival (July 1-4)

Martin Jaeger is organizing Premier, Reserves, an Active and junior tournaments for the Canada Day weekend. He may be contacted for details and entry forms at m_jaeger@look.ca .

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