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#### **SCC Summer Closing ( July & August )**

SCC is now closed for the summer ( we cannot get the building during these months) Our 2007-8 season will commence on the first Thursday after Labour Day, September 6, with our Annual General Meeting – doors open at 7:00 pm. Then our first tournament of the new season, the Fall Swiss, will start the following Thursday, September 13.

#### **Canadian Closed – New Champion Is Nikolay Noritsyn !**

This 30-player 9 round swiss ( had to be over 2000 CFC or FIDE to play ) took place in Kitchener from Aug. 1 – 6 ( organizer – Hal Bond, CFC President, and team ). After regular play, 3 of the 4 IM's playing, GTA junior Artem Samsonkin, Ron Livshits and Jean Hebert, and GTA junior Nikolay Noritsyn, were tied for first. ( IM Thomas Roussel-Roozman had a disastrous start and withdrew early ). This necessitated a tie-break play-off.

In the first match, Noritsyn faced Hebert. They tied the first 2 active games ( 30 min. ). Then they tied the next 2 15 min. games. Then they tied the next 8 5-min+3sec. increment games. In the blitz games 9 & 10, Nikolay won both games. Thus he advanced to the second round.

In the other match, Samsonkin defeated Livshits 1:5 - .5. So he advanced to face Noritsyn.

In the first 10-min.+5sec. increment game, Noritsyn won. The second was drawn.

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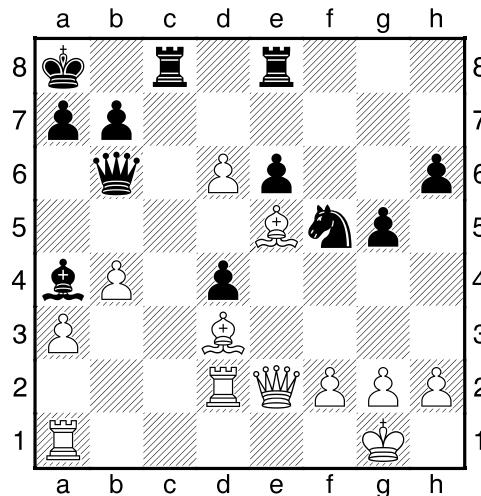
So Noritsyn became the new Canadian Champion. As well, he is the youngest Canadian Closed Champion ever, beating out Abe Yanofsky and Alexander Le Siege. ( Note, however, since this tournament was not a zonal, IM Igor Zugic, last year 's Champion, who did not defend his title this year, still plays in the next step of the World Championship cycle, representing Canada, at the FIDE World Cup ).

In regular play, one of the games that could have led to Samsonkin coming clear first, was his draw with Hebert. Samsonkin had a " winning " advantage near the end, but played inaccurately and ended with only a " clear " advantage when the draw was agreed. There was a rumour floating around during the playoffs, that Samsonkin had missed a mate when he agreed to this draw – this is not true. There never was any mate. Here is their game ( Annotations by Bob Armstrong, using Fritz ):

### Samsonkin, A – Hebert, J [A00]

2007 Canadian Closed Championship Ottawa (8), 05.08.2007

**1.e4 e6± 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3?!=** [ 4.Nf3±] 4...Nc6 5.Nf3 Bd7 6.a3 f6 [ 6...cxd4 7.Bd3 Nge7 8.cxd4 Qb6 9.Nbd2 Nf5 10.Nb3 Rc8=] **7.Bd3 fxe5 8.dxe5** [ 8.Nxe5?! Nf6 9.Bg5 cxd4 10.cxd4 Bd6 ( 10...Nxd4?! 11.Ng6 Rg8 ( 11...hxg6?! 12.Bxg6+ Ke7 13.Qxd4 Qa5+ 14.Nc3 Be8 15.b4 Qb6±) 12.Ne5 Bd6=) 11.Ng4 h5±] 8...Qc7 9.Qe2 0-0-0?!= [ 9...c4 10.Bc2 Bc5 11.0-0 Nge7=] **10.0-0?!=** [ 10.c4?! h6 11.Nc3 dxc4 12.Bxc4 Nd4 13.Nxd4 cxd4 14.Na2 g5; 10.b4 Nge7 11.0-0 c4 12.Bc2 Ng6 13.Re1 Be7 14.a4 Rdf8±] **10...h6** [ 10...c4 11.Bc2 h6 12.Re1 Nge7 13.Nd4 Kb8=] **11.c4 Nge7?±** Artem gets a " clear " advantage [ 11...g5 12.h3 dxc4 13.Bxc4 Bg7 14.Re1 Nge7 15.b4 Ng6=] **12.Nc3 dxc4 13.Bxc4 Nf5 14.Nb5 Qb6 15.Nd6?=?** Artem loses his advantage [ 15.b4 a6 16.Nd6+ Bxd6 17.exd6 Nxd6 18.Be3 Nd4 19.Bxd4 cxd4 20.Rac1 Kb8 21.Qe5 Ka8±] **15...Bxd6?!=** [ 15...Nxd6 16.exd6 Bxd6 17.Be3 Kb8=] **16.exd6 Rhe8 17.b4 Ncd4?!=** Artem gets back a " clear " advantage [ 17...e5 18.Bf7 Rf8 19.Bg6 Ncd4 20.Nxd4 cxd4 21.Qxe5 Qxd6 22.Bf4 Qxe5 23.Bxe5 Bc6±] **18.Nxd4 cxd4 19.Bf4 Kb8** [ 19...Nxd6 20.Bd3 Kb8 21.Be5 Ka8±] **20.Be5 Ka8 21.Rfd1 Rc8?!=**– Artem gets a " winning " advantage [ 21...Ba4 22.Rd2 Nxd6 23.Bxd4 Qc6±] **22.Bd3** [ 22.Rac1 g6 23.Kh1 g5 24.Kg1 Nxd6 25.Bxd4 Qd8+-] **22...Ba4 23.Rd2 g5**



**24.Be4?!** Artem misses the winning line [ 24.Re1 Nxd6 25.Bg6 Red8 26.Bxd4 Qc6 27.Bg7+–] **24...Nxd6** Jean goes up a P, but Artem has the " clear " advantage **25.Bxd4±** 1.18 a draw was agreed to here. Artem could have continued the game **25...Qb5** [ 25...Qc7?! 26.Qa6 Qb8 27.Bxb7+ Qxb7 28.Qxa4+–] **26.Bg6 Red8 27.Qxe6** Artem would now be up a P **27...Qc4 28.Qe1 Qg8 29.Bd3 Nc4 30.Bxc4 Qxc4 31.Bc5 Rxd2 32.Qxd2 b6 33.Be3 Qc3 34.Qd4 Qxd4 35.Bxd4 g4±** .80 Artem would still have to go some to demonstrate he could win this. ½-½

Samsonkin almost didn't make it to the finals. He had to overcome a terrible deficit in his second tie-break game with Livshits to win. Although I have not yet been able to confirm this ( MonRoi has only the first part of the game ), it was said that in Game 2 of their tie-break, Samsonkin was at one point down the exchange and 3 pawns, and came back to win the game and the match. We'll have to await the organizer's release of the games in pgn. to confirm this.

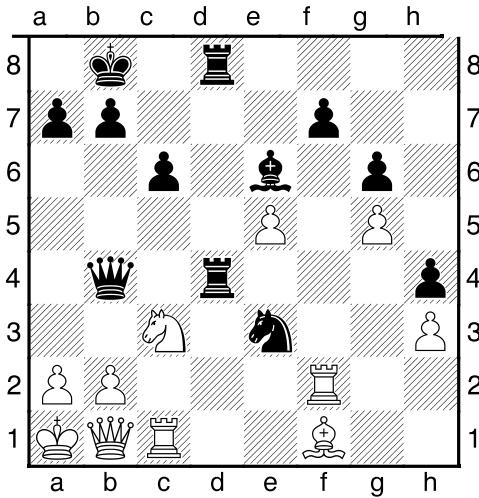
Here is Noritsyn's win over Hebert in the first match, 10th game, by which he moved into the finals ( Annotations by Bob Armstrong, using Fritz ):

### Hebert, J (2391) – Noritsyn, N (2336) [A00]

2007 Canadian Closed Championship Kitchener (10), 06.08.2007

**1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Be7 4.cxd5 exd5 5.Bf4 c6 6.e3 Bf5 7.g4 Be6 8.Bd3 Nd7 9.h3 Nf8?!** [ 9...g5 10.Bh2 h5 11.gxh5 Ngf6 12.Qa4 Nb6=] **10.Nf3?!** [ 10.Be5 f6 11.Bh2 Bf7 12.Nge2 Bg6±] **10...Ng6 11.Bg3 Bd6?±** Jean gets a " clear " advantage [ 11...Nf6 12.0-0 0-0 13.Qc2 Bb4=] **12.Bxd6 Qxd6 13.Qc2 N8e7 14.0-0-0 h5** [ 14...0-0 15.Rhg1 Rfb8 16.h4 b5 17.Ng5 h6 18.Nxe6 Qxe6±] **15.g5?!** [ 15.Kb1 h4 16.Nd2 Qd7 17.f4 f5±] **15...h4 16.Kb1?!** [ 16.Ne2 Qd7 17.Nf4 Nxf4 18.exf4 Qc7 19.Ne5 Qb6 20.Qc5 Qxc5+ 21.dxc5 0-0±] **16...Qd7 17.Ne5** [ 17.Rh2 Bf5 18.Rc1 Bxd3 19.Qxd3 Qf5 20.Qxf5 Nxf5=] **17...Nxe5 18.dxe5 g6?!** [ 18...0-0-0 19.f4 Kb8 20.Qh2 Nf5 21.e4 dxe4 22.Bxe4 Qc7=] **19.Bf1?!** [ 19.e4?! 0-0-0 20.exd5 Nxd5 21.Ne4 Nb4 22.Qc3 Qd4 23.Qxd4 Rxd4=; 19.Qa4? Bxh3 20.f3 Rh5 21.Nb5 cxb5 22.Bxb5 Nc6 23.Rxh3 Qxh3 24.Bxc6+ Kf8 25.Qb4+ Kg7 26.Bxd5 Qf5+ 27.Ka1 Rd8±; 19.Na4 b6 20.Nc3 0-0-0 21.Qa4 Kb8 22.Qf4 Bf5±] **19...Qc7 20.f4 0-0-0** [ 20...Nf5 21.Qc1 0-0-0 22.Ne2 c5=] **21.Ka1?!** Nikolay finally gets the advantage, a " clear " advantage [ 21.Bg2?! Nf5 22.Rd3 Ng3 23.Rc1 Bf5 24.Nxd5 Bxd3 25.Qxd3 Qd7 26.Qc2 Kb8 27.Nf6 Qd2±; 21.Qf2 Kb8 22.Rc1 Nf5 23.Nb5 Qd7 24.Nd4 Ng3 25.Rh2 Bf5+ 26.Ka1 Be4=] **21...Kb8?!** [ 21...Nf5 22.Qc1 Qa5 23.Rh2 d4 24.exd4 Nxd4 25.Kb1 Rd7±] **22.Rc1?!** [ 22.Bg2?! Nf5 23.Rhe1 Qa5 24.Qf2 Qb6 25.Kb1 Rd7 26.Rc1 d4 27.exd4 Rxd4±; 22.Bd3 Qb6 23.Qe2 d4 24.exd4 Rxd4 25.Be4 Rxd1+ 26.Qxd1 Rd8 27.Qe1 Qb4=] **22...Nf5 23.Qf2 Qb6 24.Re1 d4 25.exd4 Rxd4 26.Rh2 Rhd8 27.Rc1?!**– Nikolay gets a " winning " advantage [ 27.Be2 c5 28.Bg4 Qb4 29.a3 Qc4±] **27...Qb4 28.Qc2?!**– 3.72 [ 28.Qe1 Rxf4 29.Rf2 Rxf2 30.Qxf2 Qa5+] **28...Rxf4** Nikolay goes up a P **29.Rd2 Rfd4 30.Rf2 Ne3 31.Qb1** – 4.82 [ 31.Qe2 Rd2 32.Qxd2 Rxd2 33.Rxd2 Qf4+– 4.36]

Position after 31.Qb1



**31...Bf5 32.Rxf5** – 4.98 [ slightly better is 32.a3 Qe7 33.Qa2 Be6 34.Qb1 Qxg5-+ – 4.78 ]  
**32...Nxf5** Nikolay is now up the exchange + P **33.Be2 Rd2 34.Bg4 Ne3 35.e6** – 5.78 [ 35.Ne4? Rh2 36.Nd6 Qf4 37.a3 Rf2 38.Qe4 Qxe4 39.Nxe4 Nxg4 40.hxg4 Re2 41.Nd6 h3-+ – 7.03 ]  
**35...Nxg4 36.hxg4 fxe6 37.Re1 Qxg4** Nikolay is up the exchange + 3 P **38.a3 Qxg5 39.Rxe6 Qf5?!-+ – 6.85** [ 39...Rg2 40.Re1 h3-+ – 14.54 ] **40.Qe1?-+ – 15.13** [ 40.Rxg6 Qxb1+ 41.Nxb1 Rh2 42.Rh6 Rf8 43.Nc3 Rff2-+ – 6.68 ] **40...Qc2 41.Qe5+?** leads to mate [ 41.Qb1 Rd1 42.Nxd1 Rxd1 43.Re8+ Kc7 44.Qxd1 Qxd1+ 45.Ka2 h3-+ ] **41...Ka8 0-1**

Here is Noritsyn's win over Samsonkin in the final tie-break, Game 1  
( Annotations by Bob Armstrong, using Fritz ):

### Samsonkin, A (2358) – Noritsyn, N (2336) [B38]

2007 Canadian Closed Championship Ottawa (12), 06.08.2007

**1.e4 c5± 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 g6 5.c4 Bg7 6.Be3 Qb6 7.Nb5** [ 7.Nxc6 Qxc6 8.Qc2 Nh6 9.Be2 d6± ] **7...Qa5+ 8.Bd2?!=** [ 8.N1c3 Nf6 9.f3 a6 10.Nd4 0-0± ] **8...Qd8 9.Bc3 Nf6 10.Nd2 0-0 11.Bd3 d6 12.0-0 a6 13.Na3 Bd7 14.Qe2 Qb6 15.Nc2 Rfe8 16.Kh1 Ne5 17.Ne3 Nxd3 18.Qxd3 Rac8 19.Rac1 Bc6 20.Nd5 Bxd5?!=** [ 20...Nxd5 21.exd5 Bxc3 22.Rxc3 Bd7= ] **21.exd5 Nd7** [ 21...e6 22.Bd4 Qa5 23.dxe6 Rxe6 24.b4 Qxb4 25.Rb1 Qa5 26.Rxb7 d5= ] **22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.Qc3+ Kg8?!=** Artem gets an early " clear " advantage [ 23...Nf6 24.Ne4 Qd8 25.a3 b5 26.b3 bxc4 27.bxc4 Kg8± ] **24.f4?!** for the first time in the game, Nikolay gets the advantage [ 24.Ne4 Qd8 25.b3 b5± ] **24...Nf6 25.Qd3 Qa5?!=** [ 25...Ng4 26.Qe2 Qxb2 27.a4 Nf6 28.Rb1 Qd4? ] **26.a3 b5 27.b4?!** this loses a P. Now Nikolay has the " clear " advantage [ 27.Rfd1 Qb6 28.h3 Qf2 29.Rf1 Qc5= ] **27...bxc4 28.Rxc4 Qxd5** Nikolay goes up a P **29.Rd4?!=+** Nikolay gets a " winning " advantage [ 29.Qxd5 Nxd5 30.Rfc1 Nb6 31.Rxc8 Rxc8 32.Rxc8+ Nxc8? ] **29...Qb5 30.Qb3** [ 30.Qe3 Rc6 31.f5 Rc2 32.Kg1 gxf5 33.Qg5+ Kh8 34.Qxf5 Qxf5 35.Rxf5 Rec8-+ ] **30...Qe2 31.Kg1 Ng4 32.Rd3 Ne3?!** [ 32...Rc6 33.f5 gxf5 34.Rxf5 e6 35.Rf1 Rec8-+ ] **33.Rxe3 Qxd2 34.f5** [ 34.Rd3 Qc2 35.a4 Rc4 36.b5 Qxb3 37.Rxb3 a5 38.b6 Rb8 39.Ra1 Rxf4? ] **34...Rc1 35.Ref3 Qd4+ 36.Kh1 Rxf1+ 37.Rxf1 gxf5** Nikolay goes up 2 P **38.h3** [ 38.Rxf5?? Qa1+ 39.Qd1 Qxd1+ 40.Rf1 Qxf1#; 38.b5 Rb8 39.Qg3+ Qg4 40.Qe3 Rxb5 41.Qxe7 Rd5? ] **38...e6** [ 38...Rc8 39.Rxf5 Rc1+ 40.Kh2 e6 41.Qg3+ Kh8?; 38...Qe4 39.b5 axb5 40.Qxb5 Ra8 41.Rxf5 f6? ] **39.Rd1 Qe5**

**40.Qd3 a5 41.bxa5?!** -+ [ 41.Qxd6 Qxd6 42.Rxd6 axb4 43.axb4 Rb8 44.Rd4 e5 45.Rc4 f4 46.Kh2 Rb5#] 41...d5 42.a6 Ra8 43.Qd2 f4 44.Rf1 Rxa6 45.Rxf4 Rxa3 46.Rf1 Ra1 47.Rxa1 Qxa1+ 48.Kh2 Qe5+ 49.Kh1 d4 50.Qb2? -+ - 5.52 [ 50.Kg1 f6 51.Kf2 Qf5+ 52.Kg1 e5 53.Qa2+ Kg7 54.Qa7+ Kg6 55.Qa2 e4+ - 4.16] 50...h5 51.Qd2 Kg7? -+ - 3.94 [ 51...Qe3 52.Qxe3 dxe3 53.Kg1 h4 54.Kf1 f5 55.Ke2 f4+ - 9.69] 52.Qd3 h4 53.Qc4 - 6.19 [ 53.Qd2 Qe3 54.Qd1 Qf4 55.Qe1 e5 56.Qd1 Kg6+- - 6.19] 53...Qe1+ 54.Kh2 Qg3+ 55.Kh1 d3 56.Qc3+ Kh7 57.Qf6 Kg8 58.Qd8+? -+ - 9.04 [ 58.Qh6 e5 59.Qd2 Kh7 60.Kg1 f6 61.Kh1 e4+ - 7.60] 58...Kg7 59.Qd4+ e5 60.Qd8 Qe3 61.Qxh4 Nikolay is up a P and has won 61...Qc1+ 62.Kh2 0-1

I understand that with this win, Noritsyn, who already has more IM norms than he needs, will push his FIDE rating, assisted by his recent Canadian Open good showing, over 2400 ( his CFC rating is 2492 ) and will receive the FIDE IM title finally. ( however, there is some confusion as to whether titles will be awarded as if this was a zonal ). Congratulations Nikolay !! ( Note: Michael Barron and Raja Panjwani may have obtained the FM title with their results. )

## **Canadian Women's Championship and Zonal – New Champion – Natalia Khoudgarian !**

This 8-player round robin was held in Kitchener at the same time as the Closed. The winner, repeating as Women's Champion, was WIM Natalia Khoudgarian. She defeated WFM Dina Kagramanov in their 7<sup>th</sup> round game to come first ( a draw would have been sufficient for her to win outright ). This is the second year in a row Dina has come second. Their game was not recorded on MonRoi, and so we will have to await the future release of the pgn. games to see it.

Congratulations Natalia ! She will go on to represent Canada in the next phase of the Women's World Championship. Good luck.

## Biel, Switzerland GM Tournament

This 10-player round robin tournament was held July 21 – Aug. 3. The winner, on tie-break play-off, was Magnus Carlsen ( Norway ) over Alexander Onischuk ( USA ). Here are the final results:

## Final standings:

			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	
1	 Carlsen,M	2710	+43	*	1	0	%	%	1	1	0	1	%
2	 Onischuk,Al	2650	+110	0	*	%	%	1	%	%	1	%	1
3	 Pelletier,Y	2591	+136	1	%	*	%	0	%	1	%	%	%
4	 Polgar,Ju	2707	+7	%	%	%	*	%	%	0	1	1	%
5	 Grischuk,A	2726	-13	%	0	1	%	*	%	%	%	%	1
6	 Radjabov,T	2746	-35	0	%	%	%	%	*	%	1	%	1
7	 Bu Xiangzhi	2683	-85	0	%	0	1	%	%	*	0	1	0
8	 Van Wely,L	2680	-79	1	0	%	0	%	0	1	*	0	%
9	 Motylev,A	2648	-44	0	%	%	0	%	%	0	1	*	%
10	 Arvukh,B	2645	-40	%	0	%	%	0	0	1	%	%	*

## **Edmonton International**

( report on ChessTalk on Aug. 7 )

## Edmonton International round up.

Posted by Vlad Rekhson on August 7, 2007, 12:08:34

User logged in as: Vlad Rekhson

Well, the 2nd Edmonton International and Edmonton chess festival has now ended. It was lots of fun overall and I would like to thank everyone who helped me organize and direct the event. I don't want to leave anyone out but we all know and appreciate what you did!

I will post the final results now and the last day games will be coming a little bit later.

At the end GM Melik Khachiyan proved that he is a real monster and took the field apart with a 7.5/9 score.

Jesse Kraai was able to recover from a slow start and finish with 6.5/9. John Donaldson has earned his 33rd IM norm as he cruised to a very nice 6/9 result finishing third.

GM Valeriy Aveskulov and IM Axel Bachmann didn't have very good tournaments and tied for 4th. GM Aveskulov had problems with Albertans and also lost badly against IM Donaldson, while IM Bachmann couldn't quite compete with the top guys even though he was probably the most convincing in beating the Albertans.

There was a two way tie for the top Albertan between Leaf Li and Greg Huber who each finished with 3.5/9. They both finished with a point against the three GMs, as Leaf drew GM Aveskulov in the last round. FM Yanayt had his IM hopes crushed early and finished with 3/9.

The last place was shared by Jeff Reeve and Dale Haessel with 2/9 each.

## **Canadian Amateur Championships**

This was again held Aug. 3–6, as part of the Kitchener Chess Festival, and was a 7-round Swiss in four sections ( U 2200, U 2000, U 1700, U 1400 ). It attracted 78 participants. The winners were:

U 2200 – 6 pts. – Kyle Morrison

U 2000 – 6 pts. – Paul Leblanc

- special mention should be made that 2 SCC'ers, your editor, Bob Armstrong, and Randy Moysoski, finished in a 6-way tie for third.

U 1700 - 5 pts. - 1<sup>st</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> - Avery Jones

Melissa Darbyson

Mark Brauer

U 1400 – 6 pts. – 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> – Okimi Peters

Leo Liu

Their were also 4-player club team and family team prizes. Unfortunately, SCC could only put in a three person team since all the SCC'ers ( Bob Armstrong, Randy Moysoski, Oscar Villalobos, Mario Moran and Richard Douglas ) were in the U 2000 section, except David Farrant ( U 1700 ) and Nathan Farrant-Diaz ( U 1400 ), and at least one player on the team had to be from a different section. And we could not conscript David or Nathan on the team as the fourth member, because they were playing for the family prize, and you could only play for one team prize. Fortunately David and Nathan shared 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>. The Mississauga Club won the club team prize, with Chess Academy ( all juniors ) second.

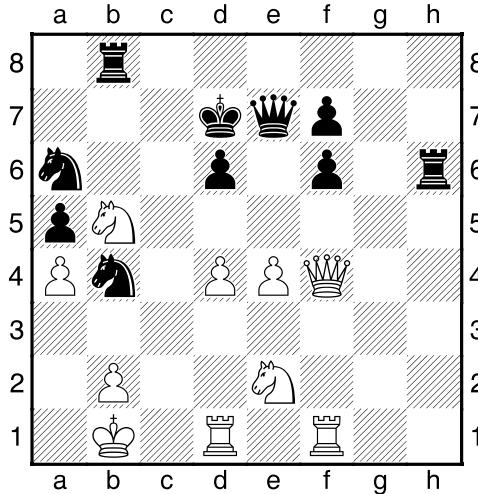
Here is my last round win against an A player, which left me tied 3<sup>rd</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> ( Annotations by Bob Armstrong, using Fritz ):

### Armstrong, R (1813) – Supsup, F (1912) [E80]

Canadian Amateur ( U 2000 ) Kitchener (7), 06.08.2007

**1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6± 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.f3?!=** [ 5.Nf3±] 5...c6 6.Be3 a6?± [ 6...0-0=] 7.a4?!= [ 7.Bd3 0-0 8.Nge2 Nfd7±] 7...a5?± 8.Nge2 [ 8.Bd3 0-0 9.Nge2 Na6 10.0-0 Nb4±] 8...Na6 [ 8...0-0 9.Qd2 Na6 10.g4 Nb4 11.g5 Nd7±] 9.Qd2 h5 [ 9...0-0 10.g4 Nb4 11.g5 Nh5 12.Ng3 e5 13.dxe5 dxe5 14.Nxh5 Qxd2+ 15.Kxd2 gxh5 16.Rd1 Rd8+ 17.Kc1 Rxd1+ 18.Kxd1 Be6±] 10.h4?!= [ 10.0-0-0 Qc7 11.Bf4 Qb6 12.e5 dxe5 13.Bxe5 Bd7±] 10...Nb4 [ 10...0-0? 11.Bh6 Nb4 12.Bxg7 Kxg7±; 10...Qc7? 11.Rd1 0-0 12.Ng3 Qb6±] 11.Bg5 Nd7?± [ 11...0-0 12.0-0-0 d5 13.e5 Nh7 14.Nf4 Bf5=] **12.0-0-0 Qc7** [ 12...c5 13.Kb1 cxd4 14.Nxd4 Nc5 15.Ndb5 Be6±] **13.Kb1** it took me 25 min. to finally come up with what seemed like a decent plan **13...Nb8 14.g3 N8a6 15.Bh3 Rb8?+–** I get a " winning " advantage [ 15...Bxh3 16.Rxh3 d5 17.cxd5 cxd5 18.Rhh1 Qc4±] **16.g4 Bd7** [ 16...Be6 17.d5 Bc8 18.gxh5 gxh5 19.Bxc8 Rxc8 20.Ng3 cxd5 21.Nf5 Bf8 22.exd5 Kd7?– 2.07] 22...Qxc4? 23.Rhe1 Qd3+ 24.Qxd3 Nxd3 25.Rxd3 Nc5 26.Rxe7+ Bxe7 27.Re3 0-0 28.Bxe7 Rfe8 29.Nxd6 Nd7 30.Nce4 Rb8 31.Ng3 Kh7 32.Nxe8 Rxe8 33.Nxh5 Kg6 34.Ng3 Rg8?– 8.16) ; 16...f6 17.Be3 hxg4 18.Bxg4 f5 19.Bh3 fxe4 20.fxe4 b5 1.91; 16...hxg4 17.Bxg4 f6 18.Be3 f5 19.Bh3 fxe4 20.fxe4 Bxh3 21.Rxh3 b5?– 1.82] **17.gxh5 Rxh5 18.Bg4 Rh8 19.h5 Bxg4?!** 2.46 [ 19...gxh5 20.Rxh5 Bxg4 21.Rxh8+ Bxh8 22.fxg4 c5?– 1.73] **20.fxg4 gxh5 21.gxh5 b5?+–** 3.98 wrongly deciding to sac a P to get access to the W K [ 21...Qd7 22.Bf4 Bf8 23.h6 Rh7?– 2.56] **22.h6 Bf6?+–** 5.77 [ 22...Bxh6 23.cxb5 cxb5 24.axb5 Bg7 25.Rxh8+ Bxh8 26.bxa6 Bg7?– 3.59] **23.Bxf6 exf6 24.Qf4 Qe7** 5.57 [ 24...bxc4 25.Qxf6 Kd7 26.d5 cxd5 27.Nxd5 Nxd5 28.Rxd5 Nb4 29.Rd4 Rbe8?– 5.55] **25.cxb5?+–** 4.63 [ 25.Ng3 Nc7 26.Nf5 Ne6 27.Qh4 Qf8?– 6.77] **25...cxb5 26.Nxb5** I go up a P **26...Kd7 27.Rhf1?+–** 3.74 allowing an exchange sac with P compensation and attacking initiative for Bl. [ 27.Nec3 Qe6 28.Rdf1 Rbg8 29.h7 Rg7 30.Rh6 Rg6 31.Rh5 Rg5?– 5.39] **27...Rhx6!** back to material equality

Position after 27...Rxh6!



**28.e5?!** 2.92 I was never tempted to take the R – talk about dangerous [ 28.Nxd6! Rg6 29.Nc4 Kc8 30.Nxa5 Rg2+– 31.Qf3 Rg5 32.Nc4 Nc7+– 4.32; 28.Qxh6?–+ Qxe4+ 29.Ka1 Nc2+ 30.Ka2 Nab4+ 31.Kb3 Ne3 32.Qxe3 Qxe3+– ] **28...Qe6 29.Nec3?!** 3.20 now I should have taken the R, but I was still gun shy, seeing the Q, 2 N & R all aimed at my poor K. And I knew I was still winning without capturing the R. [ 29.Qxh6 Qa2+ 30.Kc1 Qxa4 31.Na3 Rc8+ 32.Kb1 Qb3 33.Nc1 Rxc1+ 34.Kxc1 fxe5 35.Qf8 Na2+ 36.Kd2 Qxb2+ 37.Ke1 Qc3+ 38.Kf2 Qxa3+– 6.43] **29...Rg6 30.Nxd6** I go up a P again **30...Nd5 31.Nxd5 Qxd5 32.Qf5+ Kd8** 3.54 [ 32...Qe6? 33.Qf2 Qd5 34.Qe3 Nb4 35.Qh3+ Kc7 36.b3 Rbg8 37.Rc1+ Kb6 38.Qf3 fxe5 39.dxe5 Rxd6 40.exd6 Qd2 41.Rf2 Qd3+ 42.Kb2 Qxd6+– 4.88] **33.Rc1?±** a bad error; I lose my winning advantage [ 33.Rh1 Qb3 34.Nxf7+ Qxf7 35.e6 Qg7 36.Qxa5+ Nc7 37.e7+ Qxe7 38.Rh8+ Kd7 39.Rxb8 Qe4+ 40.Ka1 Qd5+– 7.93] **33...Nc7?!** 7.20 Ferdinand misses the best line [ 33...Rxb2+!! 34.Kxb2 Qxd4+ 35.Kb1 Qb4+ 36.Kc2 Rg2+ 37.Rf2 Qc5+ 38.Kd3 Rxf2 39.Qxf6+ Rxf6 40.Nb7+ Ke8 41.Nxc5 Nb4+ 42.Kc4 Rf5 43.Re1 Nc6 44.Nd3 f6±] **34.Qc2?!** 4.09 now I miss a hard to see sacrifice [ 34.Rxc7! Kxc7 35.Rc1+ Kb6 36.Qd7 Rg1 37.Rxg1 Ka6+– 18.99] **34...Na6 35.Qc4?!** 2.89 forcing the exchange of Q; not the best plan, but it will win. I now had only 8 min. left and Ferdinand had 58 min. [ 35.Ka1 Rg2 36.Qf5 Rg8 37.Rc8+ Ke7 38.Rc6 Qe6 39.Nc8+ Rbxc8 40.Rxe6+ fxe6 41.Qh7+ Kd8 42.Qxg8+ Kd7 43.Qf7+ Kc6 44.Rc1+ Kd5 45.Qd7+ Ke4 46.Qxc8 24.52] **35...Qxc4 36.Rxc4 Rg2 37.Rc2 Rxc2 38.Kxc2 fxe5 39.Nxf7+ Ke7 40.Nxe5** I go up 2 P, one being passed. **40...Nb4+ 41.Kd2 Ke6 42.Nc4** I now had 4 min. left. **42...Nc6 43.Kc3 Rh8 44.Rf3 Rh4 45.Re3+ Kd7 46.Ne5+ Nxe5** 4.28 [ 46...Kd6 47.Nxc6 Kxc6 48.Re6+ Kc7 49.Kc4 Rh2 50.b4 axb4 51.a5 Kb7 52.Rb6+ Kc7 53.Rxb4 Ra2 54.Kb5 Kb7+– 4.03] **47.Rxe5 Kc6 48.Rxa5** I am now up 3 passed P. Ferdinand still doesn't resign. **48...Rh3+ 49.Kc4 Rh1 50.d5+ Kb6 51.Rb5+ Kc7 52.a5 Rc1+ 53.Kb4 Rb1 54.b3 Ra1 55.Rb6 Rd1 56.d6+ Kc8 57.a6 Ra1 58.Kb5 Ra2 59.Rb7 Rd2 60.d7+ [ slightly better is 60.Rc7+ Kd8 61.a7 Ra2 62.b4 Ra3 63.Kb6 Ra2 64.Kb7 Ra1 65.a8Q+ Rxa8 66.Kxa8+– ] **60...Kd8 61.a7?!** I still had 4 min. left. I'd played the moves from move 42 in 30 sec. each ( the 30 sec. increment ). **1-0****

I can report that it was a most enjoyable and well-run tournament, and we hope it becomes a permanent attachment to the Canadian Closed.

**Canadian World Junior Chess Championship 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**  
( submitted by Erik Malmsten )

Held in Toronto August 2-19, 1957

“In a meeting in Toronto under the chairmanship of Bernard Freedman, FIDE Representative for Canada, preliminary plans were laid for organization of the world junior championship to be held there August 3-18 next year. Committee chairmen: R. Siemms, treasurer; A. Tuskis, publicity and public relations; A. Kaye, corresponding secretary; J. Huckle, tournament room, equipment; Lickels, etc; D. Katie, tournament director, assisted by six others including interpreters: H. Herbert, entertainment, A tentative goal of \$1,500 has been set.

Invitations have been sent out to all countries affiliated with FIDE (International Chess Federation). Each is entitled to one representative under the age of 20. The organizing country pays transportation from the North American port of entry and provides hospitality and prizes.” Frank Anderson’s chess column in the *Hamilton Spectator* Dec. 8, 1956. This would be the first city in the Americas to host the event.

Bernard Freedman had a long history of chess organizing and philanthropy. In 1936, he brought 11-year-old prodigy Abe Yanofsky, from Winnipeg to the national championship in Toronto, in 1939 paid for the trip of Canada’s first Olympiad team, during the war he taught over 3,000 students in 27 schools, and in the 1940-50s paid for trips of many players to the U.S. Junior Championship.

The June 15, 1957 *Toronto Daily Star* chess column by Charles Crompton lists the committee as Chairman Bernard Freedman, J.B. MacDonald, J. Huckle, R. Sanderson, Ross Siemms, D. Katie, H. Loose, H. Eccles, M. Gottlieb, D. Dick and H. Herbs.

Freedman struggled to get funding of \$250 from city council. \$150 was authorized for the opening luncheon and a trophy. While Councillor Jean Newman tried for more, councillor Ford Brand would resign from the welcoming committee if it was any higher. But a 36 inch trophy itself would cost \$125, Freedman said, “The board should be pressing money on me instead of me having to go in and beg... What the [chess] federation is doing for Toronto is worth \$5,000.” The event costs \$2,000 but the committee had only raised \$1,200. Councillor Joseph Cornish was delegated by Mayor Nathan Phillips to extend a civic welcome to the players.

As host Canada was allowed two players: Peter Bates, 18, of Davenport Road and student of North Toronto C.I., and François (Gilles?) Jobin, 19, of Quebec City. Jobin had played in the Canadian Open the year before. Local junior Peter Bates wasn’t as strong as other recent juniors like IM Frank Anderson or Ross Siemms. Anderson was second on tie-breaks for the U.S. Junior Championship 1948. Siemms had won the U.S. Junior in 1954 and in the 1953 World Junior in Copenhagen finished 15th of 20 players. Montreal’s Lionel Joyner in the first World Junior in Coventry, Birmingham, in 1951 finished 13th of 18. David Grimshaw, 16-years-old, was the Ontario Junior Champion but didn’t qualify. In the last round he tried to defeat Jobin but agreed to a draw after 8 hours.

## First Canadian Junior Championship

Quebec City, July 7-13, 1957

François Jobin	Quebec	6.0 - 1.0
Peter Bates	Toronto	5.5 - 1.5
Frank May	Vancouver	5.0 - 2.0
David Grimshaw	Toronto	4.0 - 3.0
Peter Ihssen	Winnipeg	3.0 - 4.0
Tom Carleton	Toronto	2.0 - 5.0
Loic Therien	Quebec	2.0 - 5.0
Lloyd Campbell	Sydney	0.5 - 6.5

William (Bill) Lombardy, 18-years-old, from New York City was known to the Canadian chess community as in the first Canadian Open in Montreal the year before he tied for first with GM Larry Evans, defeating Toronto's Frank Anderson and drawing Winnipeg's Abe Yanofsky. He had also just played on Board 1 for the U.S. in the International Students' Championship in Iceland.

Rodolfo (Tan) Cardoso, 19-years-old, and his second, Florencio Campomanes, Philippines top player, took \$3,000 and two weeks to get here. Campomanes went to college in the U.S. and tied for second behind Lombardy in the 1954 New York State Championship. A second is useful for analyzing adjournments, as well as observing the other players' openings, but Cardoso lost four adjourned games. In the Olympiad in Moscow the year before he had the advantage but drew with Laslo Portisch and won the Silver Medal.

Ibrahim Munir Bhagat of Egypt only had to travel from the University of Texas, but arrived three days early.

Jorge Aldrete (Lobo) of Mexico was the youngest player at 17. Attempts were made by W.L.S. Tritest(?) of the local United Nations organization to billet players with fellow countrymen who now reside in Toronto.

The games were played in the auditorium in the Central YMCA on College Street, just west of Yonge Street. Jim Huckle had built the Central YMCA chess club up to a record 90 members. The format was a round-robin, everybody plays everybody else one game. First time control was 40 moves in 2-1/2 hours. The rounds starting time was 3 pm to 8 pm on weekends, 6 pm - 11 pm on weekdays. Adjournments were played the next morning. The Tournament Director was F.W. Watson. Admission to each session is \$1, but spectators could buy a "season ticket" for \$5, sent to Freedman on Jordan St..

The results were published daily in the three Toronto papers: *Star*, *Globe & Mail*, and *Telegram*. The *Toronto Daily Star* had detailed coverage by Ray Krznaric, not their chess columnist, who wrote about the openings and how the games went. George Berner, "Yugoslav Chess Master" wrote one article for the *Globe & Mail*. Ray was the Belgrade Champion in 1951 and would later be a strong player on the west coast known as Ray Kerr.

Opening ceremonies started on Saturday Aug. 2 at 12:30 followed by the first round. Vladimir Selimanov and his second Grandmaster (and International Arbiter) Igor Bondarevsky, arrived at 5:20 pm. Bondaresky had visited Toronto in 1954 where he lost a game to Anderson, and was later Boris Spassky's coach. They were scheduled to leave July 29, but their visas didn't arrive until Aug. 1. His first-round game with Lombardy

was adjourned until Wednesday. Lombardy said, "I heard that the Russian boy isn't nearly as good as Boris Spassky, who won the title at Antwerp two years ago." Selimanov was chosen because he was a nephew of World Champion Vasily Smyslov, who was in the middle of a match with Mikhail Botvinnik. Perhaps they were over confident. The travel and rushing could have contributed to his poor start.

After four rounds, they had a rest day and six of the players took a trip to Niagara Falls where they were treated to a reception by the city. After the ninth round they had a rest day for a tour of the city. And on a third rest day there was a trip up north.

At the closing banquet on Saturday, August 19, Mayor Nathan Phillips handed out the trophies. Cash prizes were Lombardy \$200 (half of what he won in the Canadian Open), Gerusel \$100, Jongsma \$50, and Selimonov \$40. Cardoso won the brilliancy prize trophy donated by Norman Vincent, Jobin received honourable mention. Florencio Campomanes, on behalf of the players, thanked the committee and local chess fans. Campomanes went on to organize World Juniors in 1974 and 1987, hosted a TV show "Chess Today" 1973-1982, and was FIDE President, 1982-1995.

Lombardy set a world record by winning all his games and was the west's first chess champion since Euwe. Lombardy was one of the few players to become a Grandmaster without being an IM. He became a priest and was a second for Bobby Fischer in his match with Spassky, and has played in several Canadian Opens, Kingston 1966 and Winnipeg 2005. At the end of the tournament he was interviewed by the Star reporter, Ray Krzneric, "Hard work in chess is just as important as anywhere else and sometimes I spend four hours a day studying games and openings. I've been doing this since I was 14. By this I don't mean you can't have fun, too. In last month's student tournament in Reykjavik, Iceland I often went dancing after a round of chess."

Frank Anderson, Canadian Champion, said, "Admittedly, Lombardy played above the rest of the field, but ... I was particularly impressed with Rodolfo Cardoso's understanding of positional play and Mathias Gerusel's tenacity in difficult situations." Anderson analyzed many games for a tournament book made by Keith Kerns on Derwyn St., that came out in December for \$2. No juniors played in the Canadian Championship in Vancouver later that month.

In New York Cardoso played a match, sponsored by Pepsi-Cola, with 14-year-old Bobby Fischer; he lost  $+1=2-5$ . He won the first Asian Zonal, becoming the first IM from Asia. In the 1958 Interzonal he defeated Toronto's Geza Fuster and Russia's David Bronstein, and drew with Bent Larsen and the winner Mikhail Tal.

Lombardy, Gerusel, Cardoso went on to play in Interzonals and Lombardy, Cardoso, and Aldrete on Olympiad teams. I don't know if Selimanov ever played in a chess tournament again. IM Gerusel, Jongsma, and Hallerod are still actively playing in FIDE-rated tournaments.

In 1979 a proposal for Toronto to host the World Junior again next got funding. It was hoped to get India's Anand here.

WchJM-U20 Toronto 1957

2	Mathias Gerusel	GER	0	*	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9.0
3	Alexander Jongsma	NED	0	0	*	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8.5
4	Vladimir Selimanov	RUS	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	*	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1	1	1	8.0
5	Radolfo Cardoso	PHI	0	1	0	0	*	0	1	1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	6.5
6	Ralph Hallerod	SWE	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	*	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	5.0
7	François Jobin	CAN	0	0	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	*	0	1	1	1	1	4.5
8	Jorge Aldrete	MEX	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	*	0	1	1	1	4.0
9	Timo Makelainen	FIN	0	0	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	1	*	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	3.5
10	Bernie Rabinowitz	SA	0	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	*	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	2.5
11	Ibrahim Bahgat	EGY	0	0	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	*	$\frac{1}{2}$	2.0
12	Peter Bates	CAN	0	0	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	*	1.5

# Yr Winner Location + / ?

36 2007 Gerzhoy, Leonid ON Toronto ON 6 6 12  
 35 2006 Cheng, Bindi BC Kitchener ON 6.5 7 16 ???  
 34 2005 Thavandiran, Shiyam ON Brantford ON 8.5 9 12 192-12  
 33 2004 Quan, Zhe ON Calgary AB 8.5 9 19 186-20  
 32 2003 Wang, Hao Yuan ON Shawinigan PQ 5.5 7 22 180-6  
 31 2002 Glinert, Stephen\* ON Winnipeg MB 6.5 8 24 172-9  
 30 2001 Vaingorten, Yaaqov ON Montréal PQ 7.5 9 40 167-9  
 29 2000 Charbonneau, Pascal\* PQ Montréal PQ 6 8 36 163-20  
 28 1998-99 Charbonneau, Pascal PQ Vancouver BC 10 11 R 154-22  
 27 1997-98 Goldenberg, Danny PQ Winnipeg MB 9.5 11 R 149-23  
 26 1996-97 Ho, Andrew \* BC Edmonton AB 9 11 R 142-17  
 25 1995-96 Teodoro, Eduardo ON Windsor ON 10 11 R 136-12  
 24 1994-95 Moisan-Plante, M-O PQ Prince George BC 8.5 11 R 130-40  
 23 1993-94 Koliada, Timour ON Markham ON 10 11 R 124-12  
 22 1992-93 Le Siège, Alexandre PQ Toronto ON 9.5 11 R 118-34  
 21 1991-92 Le Siège, Alexandre PQ Toronto ON 10.5 11 R 113-30  
 20 1990-91 Livshits, Ron ON Ottawa ON 10 11 R 106-41  
 19 1989-90 Le Siège, Alexandre PQ Toronto ON 8.5 11 R 101-13  
 18 1988-89 Huda, Rehan MB Winnipeg MB 8.5 9 R 96-35  
 17 1987-88 Southam, Todd ON Toronto ON 8.5 11 R 89-32  
 16 1986-87 Huda, Rehan MB Edmonton AB 8.5 11 R 84-27  
 15 1985-86 Puri, Vinny ON Toronto ON 10 11 R 78-23  
 14 1984-85 Puri, Vinny\* ON Winnipeg MB 8 11 R 73-27

13 1983-84 Bolduc, Steve PQ Saint John NB 8 11 R 65-15  
12 1982-3 Bailey, Doug ON Toronto ON 8.5 11 R 59-12  
11 1981 Hergott, Deen\* ON Vancouver BC 8 11 R 53-7  
10 1980-81 Hamilton, Robert\* NB Edmonton AB 8 11 R 46-18  
9 1979-80 none\* Saskatoon SK 11 R 40-12  
8 1978-9 Barbeau, Sylvain PQ Calgary AB 8.5 11 R 33-10  
7 1977 Rohland, Michael ON Toronto ON 7 10 R 27-5  
6 1976 Buchholz, Martin\* ON Montréal PQ 6.5 9 R 22-2  
5 1975 Hébert, Jean PQ Saint John NB 8 9 R 14-7  
4 1974 Nurmi, Peter ON Vancouver BC 8.5 9 R 8-5  
3 1974 Fullbrook, Nigel\* BC Toronto ON 6.5 9 R CC-Jun NWC227  
2 1972 MacPhail, John ON London ON 8 9 R CC-Jan73  
1 1970 Piasetski, Leon PQ Toronto ON 8 9 R CC-Jan71  
0 1957 Jobin, François PQ Ville de Québec PQ 6 7 R Province

### **SCC Goes to the Canadian Open**

( second in a series of three articles )

SCC sent a strong contingent of 2 juniors and 10 adults to this year's Canadian Open in Ottawa. The players and their results are :

5.5 pts. – Junior Girl Yuanling Yuan

    Your editor, Bob Armstrong ( in a 5-way tie for 3<sup>rd</sup> in the U 1800 )

    Tom Muir ( third place in the U 1600 )

5 pts. – Junior Aman Hambleton

4.5 pts. – Maurice Smith ( SCC Vice-President )

4 pts. – Petar Zlatanov

    Josh Sherman

    Oscar Villalobos

    Phil Haley ( former CFC President )

    Doug Gillis

3.5 pts. – Michael Perez

    Mario Moran-Venegas

A number of SCC alumni were also present: Wilf Ferner, Peter Bokhout, Josh Guo, Danny Aniag.

SCTCN&V asked each SCC member playing to provide us with their most interesting game. We published some games last Issue, there are some this Issue, and the last installment will be in our next Issue.

Maurice Smith won a tough positional battle in the game he submitted. Here it is ( Annotations by Bob Armstrong, using Fritz ):

#### **Smith, M (1685) – Fleury, J (1431) [D35]**

2007 Canadian Open Ottawa, 07.2007

**1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Bf5± [ 3...e6=] 4.Nc3?!= [ 4.cxd5 cxd5 5.Qb3 Qb6 6.Nc3 ( 6.Qxd5?! e6 7.Qc4 Nc6 8.e3 Nf6=) 6...e6±] 4...e6 5.cxd5 exd5 6.Bg5 Nf6 7.e3 Be7?!= [ 7...Qb6 8.Bd3 Qxb2 9.0-0 Bg6 10.Ne2 Qa3 11.Bxg6 hxg6=] 8.Bd3?!= [ 8.Nh4 Bg4 9.Be2 Bxe2 10.Qxe2 h6 11.Bf4**

Qd7±] **8...Bxd3 9.Qxd3 0-0** [ 9...Nbd7 10.0-0 0-0 11.Qf5 Re8 12.Rfe1 h6 13.Bf4 Nb6=] **10.0-0** [ 10.Bxf6 Bxf6 11.0-0 Be7 12.Rab1 Nd7=] **10...Re8** [ 10...Ne4 11.Bf4 f5 12.Ne2 Nd7=] **11.Rac1**  
**Bd6** [ 11...Ne4 12.Bf4 Bd6 13.Rfe1 Qe7 14.Qc2 Nd7 15.Nxe4 dxe4 16.Bxd6 Qxd6 17.Nd2 Nf6=] **12.Rfe1** [ 12.e4 dxe4 13.Nxe4 Be7 14.Nxf6+ Bxf6 15.Rfe1 Rxe1+ 16.Rxe1 Nd7 17.Bf4 Qb6 18.Qc3 c5 19.Be5 Nxe5 20.dxe5 Be7=] **12...Nbd7 13.e4 dxe4 14.Nxe4 Re6?+-** [ 14...Be7 15.a3 Nxe4 16.Rxe4 Bxg5 17.Rxe8+ Qxe8 18.Nxg5 Nf6=] **15.Nxf6+?±** [ 15.Bxf6 Nxf6 16.Nfg5 Nxe4 17.Nxe6 Nxf2 18.Nxd8 Nxd3 19.Re8+ Bf8 20.Rc3 Nb4 21.Rce3 Nc2 22.R3e7 Nxd4 23.Rxb7 a5+-] **15...Nxf6 16.Rxe6 fxe6 17.Qc4** [ 17.Re1 Qd7 18.Ne5 Bxe5 19.Rxe5 Rf8±] **17...Qd7**  
**18.Re1 Nd5 19.Qe2 Re8 20.Bd2** [ 20.Ne5?! Qc7 21.a3 Bxe5 22.Qxe5 Qxe5 23.Rxe5 Kf7=] **20...h6** [ 20...Qf7 21.Ne5 Qf5 22.Qe4 Nf6 23.Qe3 Qc2 24.Qc3 Qa4±] **21.Ne5 Qc7?±** [ 21...Qe7 22.Qe4 Bxe5 23.Qxe5 Qf6±] **22.Qg4 Nf6 23.Qg6 Kf8?+/-** [ 23...c5 24.Ng4 Rf8 25.Nxh6+ Kh8 26.Ng4 Nxg4 27.Qxg4 cxd4±] **24.Bxh6** Maurice goes up a P **24...Qe7 25.Bg5 Bxe5** 4.23 [ 25...Rd8?! 26.h4 Bxe5 27.dxe5 Qf7 28.Qc2 Rd5+- 5.04] **26.dxe5 Qb4 27.Rd1?+-** 2.98 [ 27.Re3 Qg4 28.Rf3 Qb4 29.h4 Qe1+ 30.Kh2 Qxe5+ 31.g3 Rd8+- 8.33] **27...Qg4?+/-** 5.96 [ 27...Qe4 28.Qxe4 Nxe4 29.Be3 b6 30.f3 Nc5 31.Rd6 Na6+- 2.55] **28.f3 Qh5 29.Qxh5 Nxh5 30.g4 g6 31.gxh5 gxh5** Maurice is up a B **32.Bh6+ Ke7 33.f4 Kf7 34.Rd7+ Re7 35.Rxe7+ Kxe7 36.Bg5+ Kf7 37.Kf2 Kg6 38.Kg3 Kf5 39.Kf3 a5 6.70** [ 39...c5?! 40.Be7 b6 41.b3 a6 42.h3 h4+- 7.99] **40.a4 b5 41.b3 bxa4 42.bxa4 Kg6 43.Bd8 1-0**

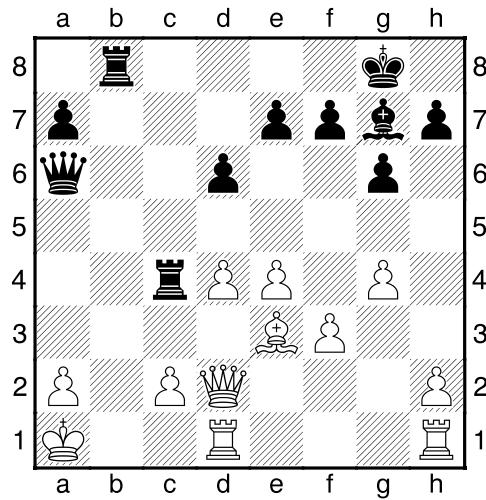
Your intrepid editor won an interesting game against the player who eventually tied for 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> in the U 1800 ( I came 3<sup>rd</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> in the U 1800 ). Here is the game ( Annotations by Bob Armstrong, using Fritz ):

### Christian, M (1615) – Armstrong, R (1799) [B07]

2007 Canadian Open Toronto (5), 10.07.2007

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**1.e4 g6± 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 d6 4.Be3 Nf6 5.f3 0-0 6.Qd2 Nbd7 7.0-0-0 c6 8.g4 b5 9.Kb1?!=** [ 9.g5 b4 10.gxf6 bxc3 11.Qxc3 Nxf6±] **9...b4 10.Na4?±** I get a " clear " advantage [ 10.Nce2 Qa5 11.Nc1 c5 12.Nb3 Qc7 13.g5 Ne8 14.h4 c4 15.Nc1 c3 16.bxc3 bxc3 17.Qh2 d5 18.Qxc7 Nxc7 19.Nce2 Nb5=] **10...Qa5 11.b3 Ba6?±** I saw phantoms on this move and thought I was going to lose my bP. So I tried to make the loss favourable to an attack. [ I looked carefully at the following line, but thought I was just losing a P! Couldn't see it very far, and it's good ! 11...Nb6 12.a3 Nxa4 13.axb4 Qb6 14.bxa4 Rb8 15.c3 a5 16.b5 cxb5 17.axb5 ( 17.Bxb5?! Bd7 18.c4 Rfc8 19.Qd3 d5 20.exd5 Bxb5 21.axb5 Nxd5 22.Bd2 ( 22.cxd5 Qxb5+ 23.Qxb5 Rxb5+ 24.Ka2 Rc2+ 25.Ka3 Rc3+ 26.Ka2 Rxe3-+) 22...Nb4-+) 17...Bd7 18.c4 d5 19.exd5 Nxd5 20.Bf2 ( 20.cxd5?? Bxb5 21.Ka1 Bd3 22.Ne2 Rfc8 23.Qa2 Rc2 24.Qa3 Bxe2 25.Bxe2 Rxe2 26.Rd2 Rxe3 27.Qxe3 Qb4 28.Ka2 Qc4+ 29.Ka3 e6 30.d6 Bf8 31.Qc3 Bxd6+ 32.Qb4 Qxb4+ 33.Ka2 Qa4#) 20...Rfc8±] **12.Bxa6 Qxa6 13.Qxb4?±** the pawn is poison. I get a " winning " advantage [ 13.h4 h5 14.gxh5 Nxh5 15.Bh6 Rfc8 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Ne2 c5±] **13...Rab8 14.Qa3 Nb6 15.Ka1** [ 15.Kc1 Nfd7 16.Bg5 Nc4! 17.bxc4 Nb6 18.c5 Nc4 19.Qc3 Qxa4-+] **15...c5 16.Ne2?±** Mark blunders an N [ 16.c3 Rfc8 17.h4 cxd4 18.Bxd4 Nfd7 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.h5 Rxc3-+] **16...Rfc8?±** I was so wrapped up in my attack plans, I failed to see the N was hanging [ 16...Qxe2-+] **17.Nec3 Nfd7?±** [ 17...Nxe4! 18.fxg4 cxd4 19.Bc1 ( 19.Bxd4 Bxd4 20.Rxd4 Rxc3-+) 19...dxc3 20.Nxb6 Qxb6-+ I would be up a P] **18.Qc1 Nxa4 19.Nxa4 Nb6?±** [ 19...cxd4?! 20.Bxd4 Qe2 21.c4 Bxd4+ 22.Rxd4 Qxf3±; 19...Rb4 20.c4 Ne5 21.Bh6 Bh8 22.Bd2 Rxa4 23.bxa4 cxd4 24.Qb1 d3 25.Bc3 Qxc4 26.Bb2 Rb8-+] **20.Nb2 c4 21.bxc4 Nxc4 22.Nxc4 Rxc4 23.Qd2?±** Mark fails to see the tactic [ 23.c3 Rb3 24.Rd3 Rc6 25.Rhd1 Ra3±]



23...Qxa2+!! 0-1



Bob Armstrong – got to use a MonRoi device thanks to the loan from the OCA via Barry Thorvardson.

Tom Muir came 3<sup>rd</sup> in the U 1600 – congratulations Tom. Here is the game he submitted as the most interesting, a loss against an expert, Josh Guo, a former SCC'er, who tied for 2<sup>nd</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> in the U 2400 !. Here is his game ( Annotations by Bob Armstrong, using Fritz ):

### **Muir, T (1523) – Guo, J (2215) [E94]**

2007 Canadian Open Ottawa, 07.2007

**1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6± 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.Nf3 0-0 5.e4 d6 6.Be2 e5 7.d5?!=** [ 7.dxe5?! dxe5 8.Qxd8 Rxd8 9.Bg5 Re8 10.Nd5 Nxd5 11.cxd5 c6 12.d6 f6 13.Bh4 Be6=; 7.0-0 exd4 8.Nxd4 c6 9.Be3 Na6±] **7...Na6 8.0-0 Nc5** [ 8...Qe7?! 9.Qc2 h6 10.Bd2 Bd7 11.Ne1 Nh5±; 8...h6 9.Bd2 Bd7 10.Qc1 Kh7 11.a3 Nh5=] **9.Qc2 a5 10.Bg5 h6 11.Be3 b6** [ 11...Qe7 12.Nd2 Ng4 13.Bxc5 dxc5 14.Qd3 Nf6=] **12.Nd2** [ 12.h3 Nh5 13.Qd2 Kh7 14.Rad1 Qe7 15.Rde1 Bd7=] **12...Ng4 13.Bxc5 bxc5 14.h3 Nf6** **15.f4?!±** Josh gets the advantage for the first time in the game [ 15.Rae1 Nd7 16.Bg4 h5 17.Be2 Nb6=] **15...exf4 16.Rxf4 Nd7 17.Rf2??-+** a blunder, missing the pin [ 17.Nb5 Ne5 18.Raf1 Rb8 19.R4f2 Qg5±] **17...Bd4 18.Raf1 Ne5 19.Nf3 Nxf3+ 20.Bxf3 Qe7** [ 20...Bd7 21.Nb5 Bxb5 22.cxb5 Qg5-+] **21.Ne2** [ 21.Nb5 Bxf2+ 22.Rxf2 Ba6 23.Qd2 Bxb5 24.cxb5 Qg5-+] **21...Bxf2+ 22.Rxf2** Josh is up the exchange **22...Qe5 23.Qd2 Kg7 24.Nf4 Bd7 25.Nd3 Qd4 26.b3 a4 27.Qb2 Qxb2 28.Rxb2 axb3 29.axb3 f6 30.g4 Ra3 31.Kg2 Rb8 32.Bd1 c6 33.Nf4 cxd5 34.exd5 Rba8 35.Re2 Ra2 36.Bc2 Re8 37.Ne6+?!- – 3.07** [ 37.Rd2 f5 38.Rf2 fxg4 39.hxg4 Bxg4 40.Bxg6 Rxf2+ 41.Kxf2 Re7-+ – 2.82] **37...Bxe6 38.dxe6 f5?!- – 2.46** [ 38...Ra7 39.Kf3 Rae7 40.Be4 Rxe6 41.Kf4 Ra8-+ – 3.23] **39.Kf3 Kf6 40.gxf5 gxf5 41.Kf4 Rb2 42.h4 Rxe6 43.Rxe6+ Kxe6 44.Bxf5+ Kf6 45.Be4 Rxb3** Josh goes up the exchange + P **46.Kg4 Re3?!- – 4.39** [ 46...Rc3 47.Bd5 Rd3 48.Bg8 Rd1 49.Kf3 Rh1 50.Kf2 Rxh4-+ – 7.60] **47.Bd5 Rd3 48.Kf4?+ – 9.04** [ 48.Bg8 Rd2 49.Kf3 h5 50.Kg3 Rd4 51.Kh3 Ke7 52.Bh7 Kf7 53.Bc2 Kf6 54.Kg3 Rg4+ 55.Kf2 Rxh4-+ – 7.33] **48...Rd4+ 49.Kg3 Rxd5! 50.cxd5 Ke5 0-1**

### **York Region August Active Chess Championship**

**August 18 (Saturday)**

Richmond Hill Curling Club  
121 Elgin Mills Rd., Richmond Hill, ON L4C 3A8

**NOTE: SPECIAL 4 PLAYER TEAM PRIZES –Enter your team!**

Style: 5 round Swiss,4 sections  
Open with U2200 Section, U2000, U1800, U1600(w/UNR)

Rounds: 10:30 am, 12:00pm, 1:30 pm, 2:45 pm, & 4:00 pm

Time Control: Game/30

Registration: 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. (sharp) Saturday before the Tournament  
[only players registering before 10:00 a.m. are guaranteed to be paired for 10:30 a.m.], or in advance by mail.

Make Cheques payable to “Barry Thorvardson” and send to  
Barry Thorvardson, 5 Forestgrove Circle, Brampton, Ontario  
L6Z4T2

EMAIL REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED until 11pm Thursday, August 16.  
(LATE FEE of \$10.00 for onsite registrations without advance email or phone registration.)

Entry Fee:      \$20 for U1600, U1800, U2000  
                        \$30 for Open and U2200  
                        --- Unrated can only win Unrated prizes

Other Information: Chess Sets and Clocks will be provided.

Organizer:      OCA, Barry Thorvardson 647-668-1393

TD:                Barry Thorvardson 647-668-1393  
                        Email: barry@chessontario.com

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Byes:              Maximum 2 – ½ point byes available in rounds 1-4  
                          if requested in advance

**Prize Fund:      \$1,000.00 based on 60 players**

(Sectional prizes will be prorated based on the number of entries in each section)

**PLUS SPECIAL TEAM PRIZE – ENTER YOUR 4 PLAYER TEAM!**

Based on :

60 Players: 20 players at \$30, and 40 players at \$20 for revenues of \$1,400,

Expenses are \$220 towards space rentals, and expenses, \$180 to CFC rating fees.

**SCC'ers Organize August Tournament – “ The Mayhem on Midland “**

There are 2 new organizers on the block – and they come from the SCC !!  
Michael Perez and Petar Zlatanov, both SCC members, have now decided to try their hands at organizing a tournament.



Michael Perez



Petar Zlatanov

The SouthSide Chess Club is holding this tournament on Saturday, August 25 & Sunday, August 26. It will be a 5 round swiss in 5 sections ( Open, U 2000, U 1800, U 1600, U 1400 ). It will be an Active tournament ( Game/ 30 min. – no increments ). Prize funds for each section are based on number of entries – 1<sup>st</sup> , 2<sup>nd</sup> , & 3<sup>rd</sup> for each section.

Their slogan is “ Revolutionizing the chess experience in Toronto “ – they will feature:

- FREE refreshments and snacks ( pop, water, chips, etc. )
- FREE giveaways and raffle draws included in entry fee
- Participation ribbons, medals and CASH PRIZES !
- Team prizes, perfect score prize and blitz tournament ( \$ 20 )

Location : 2115 Midland Ave., Unit 4, Scarborough ( at Progress, seconds from Midland RT )

Entries : \$ 50 entry fee. Early registration discount. Call and register before August 1 and receive 20% discount on entry fee. Non-rated players pay only \$ 40 but can only receive \$ 100 max. prize ( excluding open section ).

Special : Every 10<sup>th</sup> registrant before August 1 receives a 50% discount !

Time : Registration begins on Saturday at 6:00 pm sharp! Games start at 7:00 pm. Sunday games commence at 6:00 pm sharp !

Byes: Byes accepted for any round except the final round. Max. of 2 byes only.

Pieces : Please bring your own chess sets and clocks.

Contact: Michael Perez - e-mail: [mjperez71@hotmail.com](mailto:mjperez71@hotmail.com)

Office: 416-298-7836

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### **Toronto August Active Championship**

Sunday, August 26, at 1:00 pm

\*\*\*\*\*A FIVE ROUND SWISS TOURNAMENT \*\*\*\*\*

TIME CONTROL: 30 minutes for the game.

ENTRY FEE: \$30. Non-members of BGC pay \$7 extra.

PRIZES: 100% of entry fees.

REGISTRATION: 12:45 pm on day of tournament .

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EARLY BIRD PRIZES: Register by August 18 and you will be entered in a draw for entry fee rebate (\$30).

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LOCATION: Bayview Games Club, 1681 Bayview Ave., Suite 202

MAXIMUM PARTICIPATION: 60 Players ( register early ).

All equipment provided.

Entries & Info: Vlad Dobrich (416) 722-9709

Keep informed: [www.torontochess.org](http://www.torontochess.org)

### **Toronto Labour Day Tournament**

Date : September 1 –3 ( Sat. – Mon. )

NEW Location : Metamorphosis Greek Orthodox School, 30 Scarsdale Road ( 1 block east of Leslie, 2 blocks south of York Mills Rd. )

Style : 6 round Swiss in 5 sections: Open/Fide rated, including U 2300 section; U 2200; U 2000; U 1800; U 1600/Unr.

Rounds : 11:00 AM & 4:30 PM Saturday; 10 AM & 4 PM Sun. & Mon.

Time Control : 30/90 min., SD/1 hr.

Registration: 9:00 – 10:30 AM on Sat., Sept. 1 ( registrants after 10:30 are not guaranteed to be paired by 11:00 AM )

In advance by mail to: Bryan Lamb, 1903-13460 York Mills Rd., North York., Ontario. M3A 2A3. Make cheque payable to Bryan Lamb. No postdated cheques.

E-mail registration to: [bryanlamb@rogers.com](mailto:bryanlamb@rogers.com). E-mail registrants must arrive onsite before 10:30 to pay or will be charged the onsite late fee.

Entry Fees : \$ 70 advance, \$ 80 cash only onsite.

Amateur: \$ 25 ( U 1800 & U 1600 sections – not eligible for cash prizes )

Discounts : \$ 20 less for juniors ( born after Sept. 10, 1986 ), Seniors ( 60 & older ),

Women, and IM's. No discount for Amateurs; only one discount per player.

Byes : Maximum of 2 in rounds 1-5.

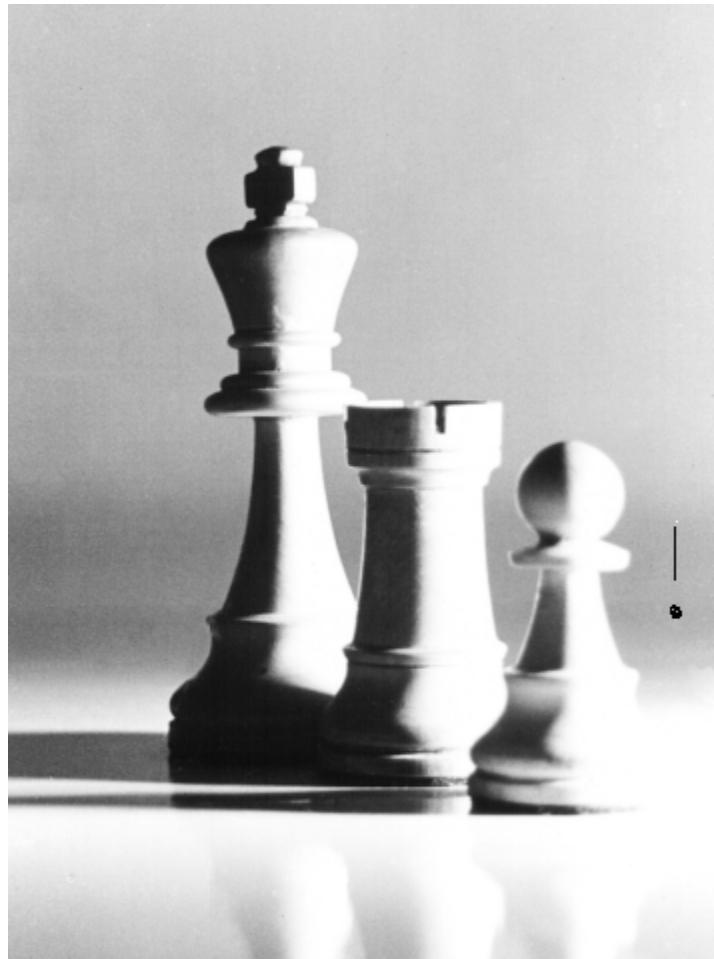
Prizes : \$ 4000 ( based on 100 non-amateur players ); 1<sup>st</sup> place in Open Section \$ 750 Guaranteed.

Equipment: please bring sets and clocks.

Website : <http://ca.geocities.com/bryan.lamb@rogers.com/>

Organizer/TD : Bryan Lamb – 416-446-5938 or 416-904-5938

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