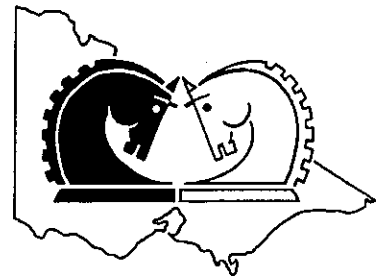


GRAND PRIX EVENTS

Don Maciulaitis



1996 Lasseters Indoor Challenge

Chris Depasquale

This Category 5 Tournament was the Northern Territory's first Grand Prix event, attracting just 20 players. Format was a 7 round Swiss held over 3 days with players coming from Victoria, NSW, Queensland, South Australia, and even the Slovak Republic and Bulgaria.

Top seed was Chris Depasquale, who won the tournament with a score of 7 from 7. Although the competition wasn't particularly stiff Chris found he was constantly on his toes to avoid making costly mistakes. Further down the table the competition was very even and social players were able to mix it with seasoned club players.

A Rapid Play event was also held with 18 competitors. The winner was Chris Depasquale again and his prize included a camel ride!

For the Lightning competition there were 17 players and this was won by 1996 Australian Junior runner-up Max Leskiewicz. To add to the enjoyment of the occasion there was recreational chess every day, and on the Thursday Chris completed a simul of 11 players one of which was a blindfold game. He was successful in all games with the exception of a loss to Max.

Thanks must also go to Larry Ermacora who directed play for the week and organised the event.

Although the chess did not attract the top Australian players, the sponsors and the Department of Sport and Recreation considered the games to be highly successful in all of the events and the dates for next year have already been announced being 5-12 January 1997. Stay tuned for more info.

Without exception everyone at the games had a great time and all players (no matter their strength) are encouraged to visit the

games next year which promises to be bigger and more exciting.

Ballarat Begonia Open

94 Players 7 Rounds
Completed 11 March 96
Arbiter Kevin Perrin

Ballarat chess club must be proud in having reached the magnificent milestone of 30 consecutive Begonia tournaments. Congratulations to Kevin Perrin, much the driving force behind the tournament, (ably supported by Bas, Patrick and Jeffrey) and a sincere thank you from the many, many chess players who have gained so much enjoyment from the Ballarat experience over three decades. From modest beginnings at the Mechanics Institute way back in 1967, the relatively small Ballarat club has developed the tournament into the classic event that it is today. The restored Ballarat gaol building is truly a magnificent venue for a large chess tournament. Combined with a wide range of accommodation in close proximity of the venue, an unhurried playing schedule and the now famous efficient organisation, the Begonia Open has become part of chess tradition in Victoria as reflected by the many players who make this tournament an annual must' on their chess calendars. Not to be forgotten is the contribution made by Jacques Englander and Novag who have supported the tournament by their sponsorship for many years.

This year's event, which co-incidentally started on Bobby Fischer's 53rd birthday, attracted 94 players, headed by our newest GM, Darryl Johansen, and national champion, IM Guy West. Perhaps down somewhat on top players and with a lesser number of interstate visitors than has been the case recently, the field nevertheless was the largest for at least the past decade. Visiting German, Mathias Holzauer (FIDE 2325) was an unknown quantity among the higher seeds.

Round 1 saw several 'low-lights' with 3rd seeded Sandler playing his game with the wrong colour and King and Ellingford de-

clining to enjoy a prolonged luncheon instead of playing their opponents Holzauer and Cordover respectively. These factors had a material affect on colour allocations in later round pairings. 15th seed, Shane Booth, was held to a draw by Bill Abbot in one of the seven shared games, quite a high proportion of draws for the initial round.

A buzz quickly permeated the tournament hall in round 2 when Chris Fenwick, with his pet c3 line against the sicilian, defeated Australian champion West on board 2 to cause an early and important upset. Holzauer could not convert a pawn advantage against Kelvin McBride and Booth again stumbled by losing to Brockman.

Round 3 saw Edward Khoze score an important win against Kontorovich on board 3 and Joseph Chow beat 9th seed country player Mark Bruere.

In round 4 the top board games were becoming interesting and results were as follows:

Kagan	0 - 1	Johansen
Davies	0 - 1	Sandler
Beaumont	0 - 1	Chapman
Depasquale	1 - 0	Khoze
van Riel	0 - 1	Joseph Chow

Further down in the order Holzauer, West and Kontorovich won their games to remain in close touch while Bruere lost his second game in succession, this time to Herlihy, and players were displaying a total lack of respect towards Australian title-holders; a further example of this disrespect being Geoff Cook's win over David Cordover.

The top board game in the next round, between Chapman and Johansen, was drawn, leaving only Sandler and Depasquale on full points after 5 rounds. Top board results:

Chapman	=	Johansen
Sandler	1 - 0	Joseph Chow
Depasquale	1 - 0	Holzauer
West	1 - 0	Bergmanis
Fenwick	0 - 1	Kontorovich

Grant Szuveges declined an offer of a draw from Kagan and, of course, lost. Herlihy and Geoff Cook again impressed by win-

ning against Davies and Beaumont and previously unnoticed Geoffrey Saw came into calculations by defeating Tsagarakis.

Round 6 in the final day, saw the clash between tournament leaders Sandler and Depasquale where neither player could prevail, while Johansen appeared to sacrifice a whole rook in an attractive win against West. Among a swag of white victories, Brian Herlihy and Geoff Saw scored their third wins in succession, but Geoff Cook's run of successes ended at the hands of Joseph Chow.

Sandler	=	Depasquale
Johansen	1 - 0	West
Kontorovich	1 - 0	Chapman
Saw	1 - 0	Kagan
Herlihy	1 - 0	Khoze
Joseph Chow	1 - 0	Geoff Cook

And so to the final round to end an exciting tournament :

Johansen	1 - 0	Sandler
Depasquale	0 - 1	Kontorovich
Joseph Chow	1 - 1	Saw
Holzhauser	1 - 0	Herlihy

GM Darryl Johansen won his final game to win the tournament and was awarded the impressive 'Kevin J Perrin' perpetual trophy. Promising Waverley junior, Geoffrey Saw, was the surprise package of the tournament. His only loss was to Chapman in round 2 and, while perhaps on the receiving end of a certain amount of good fortune in the pairings, Geoff achieved an outstanding result by finishing in equal second place with strong player Michael Kontorovich. Other impressive performances by juniors were recorded by Brian Herlihy and brothers Joseph and Michael Chow. John Beckman's 5 points, including wins against Sahar, Booth and Bruere, will substantially boost his rating and among many other fine performances those to stand out were by Richard McCart, Geoff Cook and ACT player Bill Hieser. Best of the locals was 86th seed Marc O'Brien whose 50% score was well in excess of that expected from a player rated 1168.

Score	Player	Apl96	Tour	Rtg
		Ratg	Perf	Chge
6.5	D Johansen	2434	2316	10
6.0	M Kontorovich	2197	2142	5
	G Saw	1699	2018	56
5.5	L Sandler	2258	2109	1
	M Holzhauser	2225*	1914	0
	C Depasquale	2175	2153	7
	M Chapman SA	2168	2122	4
5	G West	2317	1911	-12
	M Kagan	2041	1940	-7

	J Chow	1713	1933	38
	M Chow	1706	1772	13
	B Herlihy	1591	1929	70
	J Beckman	1513	1896	76
4.5	A Davies	1932	1790	-14
	D Cordover	1845	1795	-10
	E Khoze	1801	1887	11
	C Fenwick	1799	1915	14
	G Szuveges	1772	1724	-2
	O Bergmanis	1767	1850	7
	A Anderson	1759	1896	15
	K McBride	1718	1767	7
	M Roberts SA	1704	1571	-13
	G Cook	1668	1744	15
	I Boasman	1653	1731	12
	A Lidums SA	1602	1704	19
	R McCart	1592	1725	30
	J Duncan	1553	1668	9
4	A Tsagarakis	1795	1727	-9
	B van Riel	1766	1548	-22
	S Booth	1728	1517	-25
	G Johns-Putra	1651	1672	0
	J Olle	1618	1757	9
	K Coventry SA	1615	1761	9
	E Schiavone SA	1570	1756	17
	P Saver	1569	1600	10
	M Armerman	1549	1645	25
3.5	M Bruere	1907	1589	-35
	D Beaumont	1857	1615	-28
	G Gibbs Tas	1760	1511	-33
	J Santavec	1716	1489	-30
	R Cooper	1701	1553	-21
	D Flude	1679	1565	-22
	C McKenzie	1658	1562	-14
	N Barrow	1622	1520	-9
	P Cook	1616	1713	10
	L Healey	1532	1727	27
	J Papadinis	1526	1578	-9
	N Szuveges	1524	1547	4
	C Zuccala	1502	1614	12
	C Ellingford	1476	1459	-1
	A Ghobrial	1468	1488	6
	W Abbott SA	1448	1533	14
	P Nash	1398	1467	10
	G Lamberts ACT	1387	1437	10
	B Hieser ACT	1202	1423	38
	M O'Brien	1168	1525	37
	A Elliott	0	1581	0
3	I Sahar	1658	1385	-36
	T Blick	1578	1346	-31
	I Ogada-Osir	1556	1466	-9
	T Feduniw	1532	1507	-9
	N King	1502	1554	6
	M Mollard	1453	1520	7
	S Sharman	1453p	1501	0
	R Brockman	1441	1618	31
	T McKay	1409	1406	0
	C Nater	1389	1362	1
	L Abee	1341	1343	-2
	F Hewitt	1305	1401	14
	D Creedon	1184	1348	13
2.5	J Kable	1612	1395	-32
	D Schepisi	1515	1412	-24

	J Coventry SA	1460	1398	-10
	M Coventry SA	1376	1384	1
	M Sorel SA	1282	1328	2
	S Stewart	1280	1316	3
	C Brown SA	1249	1409	17
	D Butt	1238	1359	11
2	A Miitel	1481	1394	-13
	K Jennings	1306p	1309	0
	M Conroy	1260	1062	-26
	R Johnson	1216p	1213	0
	Z Jaske	1196	1163	-6
	F Vanderlinde	1178	1130	-8
	D Hardiman	1171	1126	-9
	P Santana	1133p	1228	0
	M Finlayson	1116	1089	-6
1.5	K Czuczman	1442	1180	-35
	W Coutts	1295p	1155	0
	L Hopf	1041	1167	5
	B Frayle	1026	1027	-5
	M Harrington	0	954	0
1	A Richardson	938p	0	0
0.5	A Ogada-Osir	800p	942	0

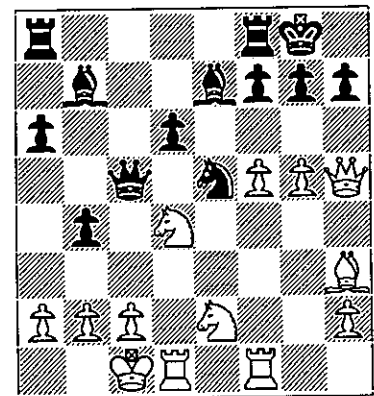
Ballarat 1996

D.Cordover 1847

I.Boasman 1615

Sicilian

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bg5 e6 7.f4 Be7 8.Qf3 Qc7 9.0-0 Nbd7 10.g4 b5 11.Bxf6 Nxf6 12.g5 Nd7 13.f5 Ne5 14.Qh5 0-0 15.Bh3 b4 16.Nce2 exf5 17.exf5 Bb7 18.Rhf1 Qc5



19.f6 Bxf6 20.Rxf6 gxf6 21.Qh6 Nd3+ 22.Kb1 fxe5 23.Bf5 1-0

Ballarat 1996

G.Saw 1699

M.Kagan 1988

Sicilian, Alapin

1.e4 c5 2.c3 d5 3.exd5 Qxd5 4.d4 cxd4 5.cxd4 Nc6 6.Nf3 Bg4 7.Nc3 Qa5 8.d5 Rd8 9.Bd2 Nb4 10.a3 Na6 11.Nb5 Qb6 12.Qa4

Ballarat 1996

D.Johansen GM 2441
D.Cordovaer 1847
 King's Indian

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.c4 Bg7 4.Nc3 d6 5.e4
 0-0 6.Bg5 e5 7.dxe5 dxe5 8.Qxd8 Rxd8
 9.Nd5 Rd6 10.Bxf6 Bxf6 11.Nxc7 Nc6
 12.Nxa8 1-0

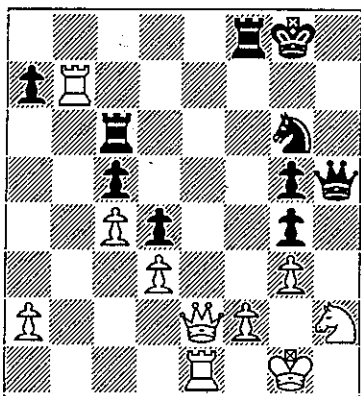
Ballarat 1996

R.Cooper 1722
M.Chow 1615
 Sicilian, Alapin

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.c3 d5 4.exd5 Qxd5
 5.c4? Qd8 6.Be2 g6 7.0-0 Bg7 8.Nc3 e5
 9.d3 Nge7 10.Ne4 b6 11.Bd2 0-0 12.Bc3
 f5 13.Ng3 h6 14.Re1 g5 15.Bf1 Ng6 16.h3
 g4?

The impetuosity of youth. Black has a better position and more space and should complete his development, leaving White struggling for a plan.

17.hxg4 fxg4 18.Nh2 Qh4 19.Qd2 Bf6
 20.Ne4 Bg5 21.Nxg5 hxg5 22.g3 Qh5
 23.Bg2 Bd7 24.b4 Rac8 25.bxc5 bxc5
 26.Rab1 Nd4 27.Bxd4 exd4 28.Rb7 Bc6
 29.Bxc6 Rxc6 30.Qe2



Nf4 31.gxf4 Rh6 32.Qe5? (32 Qe7 =+)
 Qxh2+ 33.Kf1 Qh1+ 34.Ke2 Qxb7 35.fxg5
 Qb2+ 36.Kd1 Qb1+ 37.Ke2 Qc2+ 0-1

Ballarat 1996

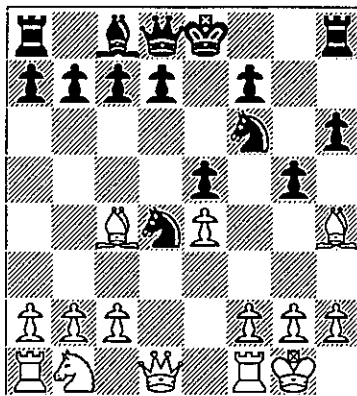
A.Davies 1901
L.Sandler FM 2270
 Sicilian, 2 f4

1.e4 c5 2.f4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 e6 5.g3
 Bd7 6.Bg2 Bc6 7.d3?? f5 and White re-
 signed on move 22.

Ballarat 1996

O.Bergmanis 1741
N.Barrow 1565
 Guiooco Piano

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d4 Bxd4
 5.Nxd4 Nxd4 6.0-0 Nf6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4
 g5



9.f4 Qe7 10.fxe5 Qc5 11.Bxf7+ Kxf7
 12.Rxf6+ Ke7 13.Bf2 Qxc2 14.Qxd4 Qc1+
 15.Be1 Qxe1+ 16.Rf1 Qa5 17.Nc3 Qb6??
 18.Nd5+ 1-0

Australia Day Open

75 Players 7 Rounds
 Completed 28 January 96
 Arbiter John Lavery

Quite a strong line-up for the first of the 1966 grand prix tournaments with the top eight seeds rated above 2000. Chinese visitor, Kai HU, was probably incorrectly seeded at number 13, but this was before his true playing history was known to the tournament organizers. Surprisingly, only one interstate player showed up - Benny Ingram from NSW - who may well have regretted that he bothered, after a very lacklustre performance. His was not the only poor result. Australian title-holders, Guy West and David Cordover, flushed from their recent Sydney triumphs, suffered severe anti-climaxes. Guy's problems began from the word go when he was held to a draw by rapidly improving Nick Nestorowycz and then suffered two consecutive defeats in rounds 4 & 5 at the hands of Kai Hu and Geoffrey Saw. David made a promising start, drawing with Baron in rd 3, at which stage he was on 2.5 points. Consecutive losses to Goldenberg and Grant Szuveges followed by a draw with the younger Chow put paid to any chance of a reasonable result. Joint winner, Darryl Johansen, began with an impressive tally

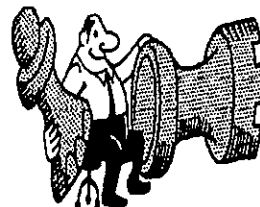
of five straight wins and drew the last two games against his main rivals Gluzman and Sandler. Kai Hu's victims included Depasquale, West, Goldenberg and Kagan and only Johansen's timely intervention in rd 5 prevented Kai taking out 1st prize outright. It appears that Kai was formerly a professional player on the Chinese chess circuit and it is possible that we may see more of him during his intended 12 month stay in Australia. In a willing contest for the minor money, three players tied for 3rd place. Mikhail Gluzman unexpectedly lost to Raine in the 2nd round, Sandler, whilst unbeaten, conceded too many (4) draws, and Depasquale lost to Kai Hu and drew against Gluzman and Raine. Strong performances were recorded by Marcus Raine, whose results definitely had a bearing on the tournament outcome, and Grant Szuveges, Alina Fainshraiber and Nick Nestorowicz. 7-year old Douglas Lindberg (how many Lindbergs are there?) scored his first fair dinkum tournament win in this event against a seasoned opponent who will not be named in this report! Popular MCC identity, John Lavery, successfully directed his first major event and his innovative idea, to have the pairings done at a distant 'off campus' computer site, worked well, leaving the players in a quandary as to who to hassle in their efforts to find out their next round opponents!

FULL SCORES

- 6 D Johansen, HU Kai
- 5 M Gluzman, L.Sandler, C Depasquale, M Baron, M Kagan, M Raine
- 4.5 G West, I Goldenberg, M Rujevic, M Kagan Jnr, E Khoze, J Chow, M Roberts, C Fenwick, G Szuveges
- 4 A Davies, D Cordover, I Sahar, A Kogan, N Nestorowycz, S Sharman, T McKay
- 3.5 B Ingram, B Mijatovic, P Hyland, G Saw, M Chow, T Blick, S Lawson, I Ogada-Osir, A Chingarev, A Fainshraiber
- 3 A Kishk, A Ghobrial, M Sucevic, N Szuveges, A Bourmistrov, E Lindberg, S Grossman, Julian McDonald, G Lindberg
- 2.5 G Ilic, S Soloveychik, D Bourmistrov
- 2 T Hopf, G Morris, M Finlayson, E Glennie, D Lindberg, R Kaplan
- 1.5 R Morris, A Ogada-Osir
- 1 L.Hopf

CLUB NEWS

Don Maciulaitis



1995 Geelong Club C/ship

10 player round robin

Reserves Section

8 player round robin

A surprising result in last year's championship to see Steven Fletcher, a player not seen at the club for many moons, take out the title ahead of strong players Ian Boasman and the two players who tied for first in the 1994 championship, Alistair Anderson and Owen Courtis. Terry Feduniw easily took out the reserves section.

A Section

7.5	S Fletcher
7	I Boasman
6	J Lasic
5	T Nemaric
4	S Sijercic
3.5	A Anderson
3	S Sopovski, D Purje
2.5	O Courtis, P Wendrich

Reserves Section

7/7	T Feduniw
5	H Caesar
4.5	P Cerekavicius
4	G Kraus
2.5	Z Kamenkovich
2	L Paisz
1	P Hartley, B Kamenkovich

Dandenong Summer Swiss

56 Players 7 Rounds

Completed 20 March 96

A very encouraging field of 56 players turned up for Dandenong's first tournament of the new year. Reigning club champion, Tahir Lushaj, easily won the event with a picket fence score. He convincingly defeated Don Machell in rd 5 and demonstrated superior clock management ability against Milic Sucevic. Bob Parrot produced a good score to finish outright 3rd. Other players who did very well were Dejan Krmpotic, Victor Lane and Kevin Fitzpatrick. 11-year old John Nemeth impressed with his 50% result and newcomer, 14-year old Bojan Trabonjaca, showed great promise with his 5/7 score in his first Australian tournament appearance.

Score	Player	Apl96	Tour	Rtg
		Ratg	Perf	Chge
7	T Lushaj	1706	****	38
6	D Machell	1850	1803	2
5.5	R Parrot	1450	1622	28
5	W Hernandez	1641	1640	0
	M Kudric	1532	1611	11
	E Toro	1469	1451	-2
	M Pyke	1461	1587	17
	B Trabonjaca	0	1501	0
4.5	L Hill	1634	1528	-13
	K Jenkins	1574	1281	-23
	J Duncan	1553	1443	-13
	M Armerman	1549	1484	-7
	M Sucevic	1426	1493	10
	D Krmpotic	1381	1610	47
	G Boross	1329	1455	14
	V Lane	1307	1529	49
4	H Tetau	1440	1522	8
	H Scherrenberg	1406	1435	5
	R Virginie	1363	1393	4
	F Hewitt	1305	1453	21
	T Holland	1294	1394	14
	K Fitzpatrick	1211	1448	40
	Z Jaske	1196	1306	14
	A Lamech	1174	1330	14
3.5	M Mollard	1453	1408	-4
	D Maciulaitis	1450	1297	-21
	Z Velican	1381	1322	-8
	Ay King Go	1361p	1385	0
	L Abee	1341	1449	15
	A Fripp	1286	1367	12
	J Nemeth	1075	1317	44
3	P Pispek	1402	1255	-21
	D Siemienak	1388p	1260	0
	S Ewins	1366	1198	-20
	C Merrick	1357	1173	-26
	N Vitkovic	1323	1281	-5
	D Walters	1321	1227	-12
	G Tolpigin	1276	1219	-7
	C Abrahams	1273	1221	-6
	L Nemeth	1235	1179	-9
	F Drazzi	1204	1283	8
	E Guinness	1121	1282	27
2.5	M Linton	1296	1137	-23
	A Goudy	1170	1219	6
	B St John	1164	1189	3
2	C Armenia	1202p	1129	0
	R Snider	1200	990	-22
	V Vesely	1185	1110	-10
	F Vanderlinde	1178	0	-26
	G Lee	1072	0	-16
	V Krawchuk	1050	1109	5
	J Seehusen	1040	0	-18
	H Proctor	1039	0	-16

1.5	B Melbourne	1110	981	-14
0.5	T Moore	0	0	0
	C Farrelly	0	625	0

Melbourne Club C/ship

A record field of 78 players are contesting the 1996 Melbourne Club Championship. The tournament is very strong with ten players rated above 2000. After seven of nine scheduled rounds, GM Darryl Johansen and three times national champion, Doug Hamilton, are in the lead with scores of 6/7. Darryl has conceded two draws to Rujevic and Gluzman, whereas Hamilton lost his point to Ross Thomas. Full report next issue.

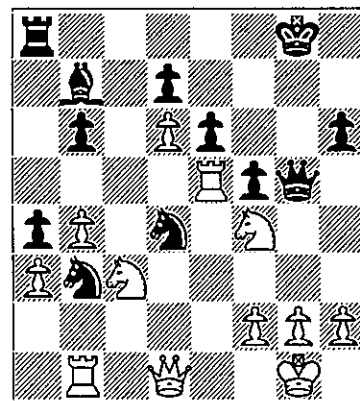
MCC Championship 1996

M.Raine 1826

L.Sandler FM 2279

Queen's Indian

1.d4 e6 2.c4 b6 3.d5 Bb7 4.a3 c6 5.e4 cxd5 6.cxd5 Nf6 7.Nc3 Na6 8.d6 Nc5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.e5 Nd5 11.Nf3 g6 12.Bg5 f6 13.Bh4 Bg7 14.Bc4 0-0 15.0-0 Qe8 16.exf6 Nxf6 17.Re1 Ng4 18.Ng5 Ne5 19.Ba2 h6 20.Bg3 Rf5 21.Nh3 Nc6 22.Nc3 Nc5 23.Rc1 a5 24.Bb1 Nd4 25.Bxf5 gxf5 26.b4 Ncb3 27.Rb1 a4 28.Be5 Bxe5 29.Rxe5 Qg6 30.Nf4 Qg5



31.Re3 Qxf4 32.Rg3+ Kh8 33.Qh5 Bf3 34.gxf3 Nd2 35.Qg6 Qxg3+ 36.fxg3 Nxb1 37.Qf6+ Kh7 38.Qxd4 Nxa3 39.Qf6 1-0

MCC Alex Croft Memorial

18 Players 9 Rounds
Completed 21 Jan 96

Score	Player	Dec95 Ratg	Tour Perf	Rtg Chge
9	M Baron	2047	****	23
7.5	A Davies	1901	1908	4
5.5	K Raipalis	1691	1736	8
	M ElSaoud	1431p	1743	0
5	J Lavery	1617	1689	12
	E Beranjia	1613	1614	2
	R Beattie	1588	1622	4
	A Ghobrial	1556	1538	-2
	I Ogada-Osir	1433	1603	16
4.5	M Mollard	1494	1332	-21
	P Nash	1397	1451	1
	E Lindberg	1278	1177	-10
4	G Ilic	1655	1453	-29
	E Kishinevski	1516	1331	-24
3	W Jose	1236	1122	-12
	B Frayle	1048	1169	-1
1	C Trewavas	0	0	0
0	J Munster	0	0	0

Box Hill Autumn Cup

44 Players 6 Rounds
Completed 15 March 96

The success of this year's event was assured when the former Croydonchess club which has now been absorbed by Box Hill contributed \$200 towards the prize fund. Top seed, Bill Collins, was the winner conceding only one draw to David Flude in rd 2. Kim Cornish was the runner-up, his only loss to Collins, followed by Tuan Le and Brian Herlihy. Rating group A was shared by John Butler, Rolf Exner, Rod Macfarlan and George Comopoulos and ties also occurred in rating group B (Joe Klopogge and Alan Slingsby) and rating group C (Denis Bourmistrov, Tim Herlihy and Alex Oto.) Two more prizes were awarded, John Kable (best senior) and Brian Herlihy (best junior).

Score	Player	Apl96 Ratg	Tour Perf	Rtg Chge
5.5	B Collins	1977	1984	5
5	K Cornish	1742	1879	16
4.5	T Le	1731	1744	1
	B Herlihy	1591	1884	53
4	M Raine	1749	1667	-9
	P Hyland	1691	1687	0
	A Meydan	1677	1657	-2
	J Kable	1612	1681	10
	G Grose	1611	1670	7
3.5	D Flude	1679	1656	-2
	G Quince	1622	1459	-15

	J Butler	1581	1516	-2
	R Exner	1574	1494	-10
	N Wilson	1540	1392	-15
	R Macfarlan	1533	1629	18
	G Comopoulos	1497	1253	-5
	A Slingsby	1418	1472	6
	J Klopogge	1317	1493	15
	D Bourmistrov	1159	1488	56
3	T Stanning	1521	1410	-11
	M Mollard	1453	1492	4
	A Bourmistrov	1379	1435	7
	Y Showkati	1346p	1189	0
	S Elbrish	1299	1413	14
	L Gombik	1290	1309	3
	A Oto	1037	1360	37
	T Herlihy	1030	1355	29
2.5	E Neymanis	1481	1371	-11
	S Lawson	1474	1313	-18
	D Maciulaitis	1450	1484	4
	J Hobbs	1230	1162	-7
	A Petrou	1225	1261	2
2	M Rudman	1491	1217	-28
	A Nincevic	1467	1142	-32
	M Sucevic	1426	1182	-28
	Z Jaske	1196	1117	-10
	F Benjamin	1143	1080	-5
	T Kenney	995	1124	9
	G Hawkes	0	1062	0
1.5	J Illingworth	1128	1209	7
1	R Chan	1067	0	-26
	V Krawchuk	1050	1028	-5
	R Clarkson	868p	0	0
0.5	M Jaros	0	1182	0



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1995 Ballarat Club C/ship

8 player round robin
Completed Dec 95

Bas van Riel successfully defended his title with Robert Bailey taking out the 'B' grade prize.

Score	Player
6.5	Bas van Riel
5.5	Patrick Cook
5	Kevin Perrin
3.5	R Bailey
3	J Males
2.5	P Miitel
1	W Coutts, J Frangakis

1995 Bendigo Club C/ship

13 Player round robin

Not satisfied with one title, that of Ballarat champion, Bas van Riel challenged the Bendigo establishment and won their club championship as well! A narrow victory by half a point from many times champion Alex Davies.

Bas won the crucial game against Davies.

Missing from the tournament was strong player Peter Frost, who has moved back to the big smoke.

FULL RESULTS

10.5 Bas van Riel
10 A Davies
9 N Barrow
7.5 L Healey
7 J Olle, A Miitel
5 D Schepisi
4 L Kerr
3 A Vanemmerik
1.5 M Harrington
1 J Harrington
0.5 L Pyers
3/5 K Drane

WINTER INTER CLUB

Clubs should now be organising their teams for the fast approaching winter inter-club competitions. Remember that last year's premier grade saw the most even competition for quite some time and Elwood, by winning the 'A' grade pennant, broke Waverley's long standing domination at the top.

Elwood also won the 'C' grade pennant and the Serbian club was also successful in more than one grade.

This year's competition will again be held at the Melbourne Chess Club with matches being played on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at fortnightly intervals.

A,B,C Grades will be played on Tuesdays, commencing May 7th with the reserve grades on Thursdays, commencing May 9th.

Entries close on 29th April. Look out for full details and entry forms to be circulated to clubs shortly.

Size: 10cm wide x 8cm high (includes 1cm white space all round).

Maps/l.c. as shown.

Major and minor headings and "Remuneration" in bold.

The First RJ Shield

The Victorian Junior Chess League held the first in a series of junior Novice chess tournaments which will encourage juniors to play chess more regularly.

The RJ Shield is a mini-Grand Prix, with points being accumulated from each tournament going towards a final trophy or prize.

This was the first for the year, and although publicity was limited it still managed to attract 62 juniors. This seems to be the minimum number that a simple tournament like this will attract. The last novice tournament, that was held at the pancake parlour, attracted over 70 participants. And the next is being held in conjunction with the Victorian Junior Championships. We will have to wait and see what sort of numbers this will get.

So it certainly looks as if junior chess in the state is taking off. The establishment, and subsequent incorporation of the Junior League combined with the increased coaching and teaching in schools has led to large growth in the number of junior chess players.

The Tournament

Instead of dividing the kids into age or rating sections this tournament was held as a single swiss. Thirty seven of the sixty two players already had Junior League ratings, so seedings were quite easy.

The top seed, and winner of the previous novice tournament was Tom Haines. Second seed was 8 year old Sam Chow.

Sam Chow quickly emerged as the tournament leader and kept his place easily. After 6 rounds he only needed a draw to secure 1st place. It was an anti-climax to see him offer a draw BEFORE playing his game, and to have his opponent accept. Apart from the disappointing final round performance his play was excellent, and he is certainly a face to watch for.

Maryam Shamsul didn't perform to the best of her ability but still scored 4 out of 7 and went home with the Top Girl trophy.

Again winning the under 8 trophy was Ashley Pettit, with a score of 3 out of 7. Ashley plays his best chess in tournament situations but lacks concentration when playing friendly chess or at a club level. David Mendes won the 2nd place in the under 8's. He has come from a total beginner at the start of the year to being a very capable player for his age now. Louise Dana again won the girls' trophy for under 8's.

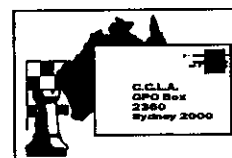
The top under 9 player was Mark Leong. He finished with 5/7 but not taking any notable scalps along the way. His Junior Rating is now creeping very close to the 1100 mark. Second and third under 9 was shared by Christian Tassakos and Raymond

Morris, both with 3.5 points. Christian won the 2nd place on countback. Emily Rothfield easily won the under 9 girls' trophy. She scored 4, which was the same as the winner of the Open girls' section.

Shannon Abersteiner has been around for a long time and he is still in the Under 10 section. This time he was the winner of it. Finishing with 5 points he showed that he is capable of mixing it with the best. He did lose to Sam Chow, but had a good position and was simply out-psyched by Sam's reputation.

Matthew Doidge, winner of the under 12's, performed well above his rating to score 5.5 points, he was a little lucky in the last round as he was paired against Sam Chow, but was offered a draw without having to play a move. Timothy Chan, from the Waverley junior club, was relatively unknown before this with a rating of only 898. After losing to Sam Chow in the first round he dropped only one point after that, winning two very good games in the last two rounds. He took out 2nd U/12. Paul Leong, the brother of Mark, won third place in the under 12 section. It often seems that when siblings all play chess the younger one often emerges as a better player. The practice that they get from home helps them considerably and both siblings improve quicker than those who practice less.

Keira McNeice in her first ever chess tournament scored the same number of points as Maryam Shamsul, 4 out of 7. She deservedly took home the trophy for top un-



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