

winner of the tournament by finally drawing a very hard fought game against Mijatovic who seemed to have the advantage. Kalisch ruined Moller's tournament completely by winning from a totally inferior position.

5.5	M Raine	1759	1939	30
5.0	M Dizdarevic	1732	1804	0
5.0	T Kalisch	1715	1810	13
5.0	B Mijatovic	1694	1758	10
4.5	P Dozsa	1938	1741	-19
4.5	N Nestorowycz	1764	1763	0
4.5	P Hyland	1740	1767	6
4.5	C Muller	1700	1791	0
4.5	D Dakic	1677	1683	0
4.5	R Beattie	1563	1802	53
4.0	R Schmid	1851	1615	-24
4.0	L Zeve	1723	1670	-6
4.0	M Belletty	1703	1570	-17
4.0	P Schulzer	1575	1796	48
3.5	G Szuveges	1822	1608	-25
3.5	J Cook	1723	1627	-14
3.5	A Kaplan	1572	1740	31
3.5	D Bourmistrov	1373	1721	59
3.0	A Mascarenhas	1681	1575	-16
3.0	A Avramakis	1619	1642	3
3.0	R Mccart	1602	1483	-18
3.0	A Ghobrial	1457	1630	27
3.0	C Flynn	1334	1558	20
2.5	F Wyss	1711	1590	-18
2.5	T Navarro	1582	1260	-38
2.0	K Raipalis	1641	1460	-25
2.0	J Beckman	1627	1346	-31
2.0	D Onufreichuk	1388	1389	0
1.5	P Rose	1409	1324	-10
0.0	J Biewer	0	0	0

Frankston Club Calendar

Thurs. NOVEMBER 7, 14

Round 1 and 2 Graded Round Robin.

Sunday 17

Recreation Expo.

Thurs. 21

Round 3 Graded Round Robin.

Thurs. 28

Presntation Prizes for Club Champ.

Thurs. DECEMBER 5

Round 4 Graded Round Robin.

Thurs. 12

Christmas Celebration.

Thurs. 19

Free Night/Grade Competition.

Ferrets fight it out for food at the Country Vic Championship!

By Nigel Barrow,

This year's Country Victorian Chess Championship was held at Bendigo, as Golden

Wattle festival organisers had booked the Australian gumleaf playing, and bird call championships in the room next door to the traditional venue in Maryborough. 17 players turned out for the traditional five round Swiss, ably directed by Kevin Perrin. The numbers were down a bit from previous years, with a disappointing number of juniors (only three), so the juniors were incorporated into the main tournament. There was not much action in the first round, with the higher rated players winning every game, and only John Olle had trouble dispatching a determined David Thiele.

Things hotted up in the second round with Andy Miitel holding Cook to a draw, Healey beating Olle, and Perrin providing tough opposition for Booth, although Booth still won. VanRiel won a rook against Barrow, staved off several mating threats, blundered it back again in time pressure, before being forced to exchange into a lost endgame. After watching the end of the game, one player was heard to remark of Barrow, "he was like a ferret, he bit then would not let go!".

Round three saw Booth crush Barrow, Cook grind down Healey, VanRiel defeat Miitel, Olle grind down promising junior, Eric Frescher, and the upset of the tournament, Thiele beating Perrin. In round four Cook lost to Booth, Olle won a pawn against Czuczman, and VanRiel beat Healey, setting up a final round, confrontation between the first and second seeds.

The final round lived up to expectations, Cook won a piece against Thiele, Barrow and Olle were both playing for a draw until Barrow accidentally found a winning line, and after a tense struggle, Booth finally offered VanRiel a draw, and secured the championship yet again.

The final standings:

4.5	Stewart Booth (1st),
4	Nigel Barrow (2nd),
3.5	Patrick Cook, Bas VanRiel: (=3rd),
3	John Olle, Kevin Perrin, Leigh Healey, David Thiele (reserves 1st),
2.5	Andy Miitel, Paul Wendrich (reserves 2nd),
2	Ken Czuczman, Eric Frescher, John Daivis, Robert Bailey,
1.5	David Honeybell
1	Mark Harrington, David Carris.

For his third round effort, David Thiele won the 'egg in the face' award, a dozen eggs donated by John Olle. John had strategically placed himself on the other side of

the tournament hall, and behind three other players when this prize was awarded. A local fruit shop had donated a basket of fruit that no one seemed to know quite what to do with. It was eventually awarded to Nigel Barrow as the highest scoring Bendigo player. Great interest was shown by the local newspaper, which sent a photographer around before round two, and published the results with a large photo on page two. Praise should go to Kevin Perrin and Leigh Healey for organising the tournament, and David Schepisi for organising some sponsorship. The Bendigo venue, (at LaTrobe UCNV), proved to be better than the traditional Maryborough venue, and the tournament will be held in Bendigo again next year.

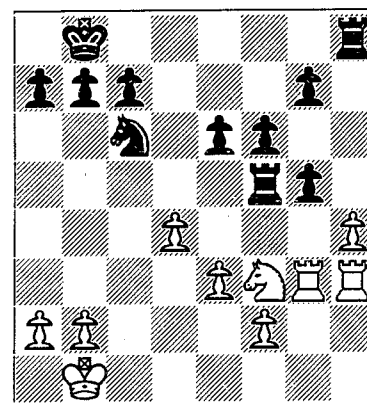
Dandenong Autumn Open 1996 Rnd 4 Bd.1

Mikhail Gluzman IM 2369

Alistair Anderson 1759

Queens Pawn

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Bf4 Bf5 4.e3 e6 5.Ne5 h6 6.g4 Bh7 7.h4 Nfd7 8.Nxd7 Qxd7 9.Nd2 Bd6 10.Nf3 Be4 11.Bd3 Bxd3 12.Qxd3 Nc6 13.0-0 0-0 14.fxd6 Qxd6 15.Kb1 Kb8 16.c4 dxc4 17.Qxc4 Qd5 18.Qxd5 Rxd5 19.g5 Rf5 20.Rh3 hxc5 21.Rg1 f6 22.Rgg3



22...Rxf3 0-1.

We have a very brief report from **Kew Chess Club** on their Club Championship for 1996:

6.5 Stephen Thwaites, 5.5. Ladislaw Zeve jr., Geoff Hilliard, Yusef Tadres .

We hope to have a full report in the next issue.