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ITEMS OF INTEREST TO BOTH MEMBERS & NON-MEMBERS

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DO YOU KNOW ? / SAVEZ-VOUS ?

HAPPY 1ST BIRTHDAY !!!

Today, our little newsletter celebrates it's first birthday, having commenced publishing at the start of the 1999-2000 club year. To celebrate this event, in 2000-2001, we are going to start a new 2-page format when possible – we would like to add some games, puzzles, etc., and can insert now, helpful diagrams. We also may start a President's column, where our new president can address whatever comes to mind. We've always sought comments to include in the newsletter, from both members and non-members. If you have ideas for the expanded format, speak to Bob, or any of the new executive committee, so we can mull it over together. We want whatever works for the members – it's your newsletter !!

SCTCT's LIST OF 2000-2001 POSSIBLE EXEC. CTTEE. AGENDA ITEMS

(based on a review of last year's SCTCT Issues #1-15, and other scuttlebutt)

1. Club Location/Hours – cost of cafeteria use permit has jumped under amalgamation harmonization; how do we handle the increased expense ? Should the annual/monthly membership fee go up ?
2. Club Membership – Although SCC's membership has declined since the mid-nineties, as have all clubs across Canada, in 1999-00 we halted the decline, and held our membership static at an average of 103 members throughout the year. Is a new year membership drive in order ?? What might it include?
3. The New GTA Club Team Chess League – information is coming on this very soon. Will we join? How will we determine our team membership?
4. Putting SCTCT to Broader Use – the newsletter is posted on the bulletin board, copies put on the pamphlets' tables, set out with other SCC publicity materials at weekend tournaments, posted on the SCC website & sent to DCC where it is put out for all their members and visitors to see. In the last half of last year, we also tried a pilot project of e-mailing it to a short list of members, past members, and non-members, to see if they thought it should be expanded and made a permanent SCC service, to communicate with members better, and to publicize the club to others. Any ideas ??
5. Marketing SCC – DCC has had significant success with its multi-pronged club publicity strategy over the last year, becoming the new “ largest chess club in Canada “ (congratulations). Should SCC think about reviewing its current marketing strategy, and updating and expanding it ?
6. The Regular-rated Tues. 1 Hr. Tournament – We did a pilot project on this at the end of last year, holding 2 such tournaments. 2 rounds are played in one night, on 3 consecutive Tuesdays (the 15 min. tournament is still held the same as always). This 6-round tournament was enjoyed by those playing,

and they felt it should become a regular tournament offering, to complement the usual Thurs. and Sun. multi-week tournaments. Would you play ? Your thoughts ?

7. The SCC Championships - Last year we experimented by going from round-robin sections, to a swiss in 2 sections (Championship section had a low-rating cutoff of 2000; the 2nd section determined class champions). Members with part-year memberships were eligible to play. How did you think it worked ? Should we revert back to the R-R ? Try the 2 section swiss again ? Other suggested formats or changes ?
8. The 2000-01 SCC Actives – This November and December, Toronto will have 2 regular monthly Actives per month – one run by us, the other by Dutton Chess. We did this in January this year, and the one Active got 36 players, the other 28. The average for 1999/00 was 31 players per tournament. How do you think this will work ? In the light of this, along with the regular-rated monthly tournaments in Toronto, should SCC do anything new to publicize its Actives ? Suggestions?
9. SCC as Regular-rated Tournament Organizer – In the past, SCC has been a volunteer, non-profit tournament organizer in Toronto – the last one we organized was one of the Simcoe Day tournaments. Recently the Macedonian CC organized its traditionally successful Labour Day Open '00. Should SCC consider taking on a tournament in 2001?
10. SCC Multi-Week Swiss Tournaments (Thurs. & Sun.) – In the last Sunday Swiss of last year (Summer (Sun.) Swiss), we experimented with a 2-section swiss. This offers our top players a chance to play in a more competitive club swiss, since there is a low-rating cutoff for the top section. How do you think it worked? Should it be offered again this year? If so, more than once ? If you are a middle or lower-rated member, what do you think of the format ?
11. Other Items – What do you want to happen in the coming year ? Are there other matters that are also to be dealt with – whether critical to the club, or simply interesting to investigate ? Bring them to your new Exec. Cttee. Members – make suggestions; criticism is OK too, if accompanied by constructive input for improvement.

THE SCC BULLETIN BOARD “ GAMES OF THE WEEK “

This feature on the bulletin board began near the end of last year. We feature a “ Member’s Game “, and a “ Non-Member’s Game “. One of our “ non-member “ players featured was Bobby Fischer ! Here is his game, playing Black, known as the “ Game of the (20th) Century “, against one of the two American Grandmaster brothers, Donald Byrne. It was played in the 8th round of the Rosenwald Memorial tournament on October 17, 1956 (ECO D97 – Grunfeld).

Donald BYRNE Bobby FISCHER

1. Nf3	Nf6	22. Kf1	Nc3+
2. c4	g6	23. Kg1	axb6
3. Nc3	Bg7	24. Qb4	Ra4
4. d4	0-0	25. Qxb6	Nxd1
5. Bf4	d5	26. h3	Rxa2
6. Qb3	dx4	27. Kh2	Nxf2
7. Qxc4	c6	28. Re1	Rxe1
8. e4	Nbd7	29. Qd8+	Bf8
9. Rd1	Nb6	30. Nxe1	Bd5
10. Qc5	Bg4	31. Nf3	Ne4
11. Bg5	Na4	32. Qb8	b5
12. Qa3	Nxc3	33. h4	h5
13. bxc3	Nxe4	34. Ne5	Kg7
14. Bxe7	Qb6	35. Kg1	Bc5+
15. Bc4	Nxc3	36. Kf1	Ng3+
16. Bc5	Rfe8+	37. Ke1	Bb4+
17. Kf1	Be6!!(the amazing Q sack)	38. Kd1	Bb3+
18. Bxb6	Bxc4+	39. Kc1	Ne2+
19. Kg1	Ne2+	40. Kb1	Nc3+
20. Kf1	Nxd4+	41. Kc1	Rc2#
21. Kg1	Ne2+		

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