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FIDE 2005 World Championship

FIDE's plans for a classical chess world championship seem to have materialised, with the announcement that a sponsor has been found for a one million dollar prize fund. The event will be staged in San Luis, Argentina from September 27 to October 16, 2005. The winner will take home \$ 300,000 , and the balance will be divided according to final results.

Eight players are invited to take part in a double round robin : Rustam Kasimdzhanov (Uzbekistan), 2004 FIDE World Champion; Michael Adams (England), Vice-Champion in the 2004 FIDE World Championship; Vladimir Kramnik (Russia), Classical World Champion; Peter Leko (Hungary), challenger to Kramnik in the last Classical World Championship Match; Gary Kasparov (Russia), highest rated player in the world, and 13th FIDE World Champion (now retired), Viswanathan Anand (India) 2nd highest rated player and 2000 FIDE World Champion; Veselin Topalov (Bulgaria), 3rd highest rated player; and Alexander Morozevich (Russia), 6th highest rated player. We are waiting for the response of these players, and especially Kramnik, who took the position previously that a candidates tournament should be held to determine who would play him for the classical championship he won from Kasparov.

Rite of Spring Chess Tournament – Report

This 5 round swiss was played at the Bayview Games Club on April 22 – 24. 24 players participated.

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The winners were :
Open Section : Nikolay Noritsyn; Igor Divljan; Marius Zubac – 4/5 pts.
A Section : Morgan Mills – 3.5/5 pts.
B Section : Jerome Joseph; Markku Salomaa; Aquino Inigo – 3/5 pts.
C Section ; Roman Sapozhnikov – 2/5 pts.

Greater Toronto Chess League – Annual General Meeting

This was held Saturday, April 16 in the City of Toronto. One of the main items on the agenda was the election of officers for the coming year. Incoming officers are :

President: Michael Barron
Vice-President: Bryan Lamb
Treasurer: Nicholas Varmazis
Secretary: Erik Malmsten
Communications: Mark S. Dutton
Team Coordinator: Caesar Posylek

Directors-at-Large: Fred Henderson, Lindsey Dickie,
Wolfgang Ferner

Governors for both the OCA and the CFC were also nominated :

OCA Governors:
Barron, Dutton, Posylek, Varmazis, Jim Ferrier, Dickie,
Haran Thurairasah, Michael Dougherty, Eddie Urquhart, Barry Thorvardson, Ferner

CFC Governors:
Barron, Dutton, Thurairasah, Dougherty, Nava Starr, Ilia
Bluvshtein, Posylek, Yevhen Molchanov, Ferrier, Ferner,
Thorvardson

Canadian Chess Timeline (History of Chess in Canada) – Part II (1900 to 1945) (Written, compiled and copyright 2005 by David Cohen)

[Ed. – this is a lengthy article, and so we are breaking it up into a series of parts over the next few Issues.]

1901

First Canadian chess magazine, *Checkmate*, published by J.H. Graham, 1901-4, at Prescott, Ontario.

1904

The CCA's third trophy, the Drewery Cup, was donated in 1904, when the Canadian Chess Championship moved west for the first time, to Winnipeg, Manitoba (where the trophy survives).

1907

Canadian Chess Champion Magnus Smith defeats World Chess Champion Emanuel Lasker in a simultaneous exhibition given by the latter at Winnipeg in June.

1910

John Morrison's first of six Canadian Chess Championship first place finishes.

1915

First British Columbia Chess Championship held, won by Steven Smith.

1918

The Canadian Chess Magazine, originally *B.C. Chess Magazine News*, published, edited by John Ewing in North Vancouver, British Columbia (1918-1920.01).

1919

Winnipeg Jewish Chess Club founded.

1921

Canadian Correspondence Chess Association (CCCA) founded.

CHECK! was established as a column in the *Winnipeg Free Press* newspaper.

1922

Frank Marshall sets world record for most opponents in a simultaneous exhibition, playing 156 in Montreal in January.

Canadian-born chess player Andrew Bonar Law becomes Prime Minister of United Kingdom.

Malcolm Sim starts chess column at *Toronto Telegram* (1922-56).

Robert Short competes in his 6th Canadian Chess Championship (1887-1922).

1924

Stephen F. Smith represents Canada at the Olympic Games Tournament (World Amateur Championship), Paris, France.

1926

Le Pion, published by Antoine Lamothe every two weeks, 1924.08-1926.08.

1927

Canadian Chess Review, published in Winnipeg by Clarence M. Scott, 1927.09, .10, .12, 1928.01.

CHECK!, the world's longest running correspondence chess magazine, first published as *CCCA Bulletin* #1-4 in *Canadian Chess Review* 1927.09.

1928

CHECK! continued when the CCCA started publishing *CCCA Bulletin* with issue #5, 1928.01.

1931

James Narraway competes in his 13th Canadian Chess Championship (1888-1931).

1932

CCA re-organized by Bernard Freedman as Canadian Chess Federation (CCF).
Maurice Fox wins record 4th consecutive Canadian Chess Championship.

1933

First Canadian Correspondence Chess Championship restricted to Canadians held by CCCA, won by Harold Jordan.

1934

Canada joins Fédération Internationale des Échecs (FIDE). Bernard Freedman serves as Canada's representative to FIDE until 1957.

Canadian Chessner, published quarterly by Dudley LeDain in Montreal, 1934.10-1937.04. LeDain also edited the Canadian Supplement of *Chess*.

1936

Canadian Senior Boys Chess Championship held, won by D. Abraham Yanofsky.
D. Abraham Yanofsky Canadian Major Chess Champion.

Bernard Freedman sponsors visit by young American master Arthur Dake to Toronto to give simultaneous exhibition against local club members; Freedman will go on to sponsor top Canadian juniors including D. Abraham Yanofsky, Frank Anderson.

1938

Robert Morrison competes in his 13th Canadian Chess Championship (1908-38).

1939

Canada represented at the Chess Olympiad team competition for the first time, thanks to funding by Bernard Freedman.

Canada wins first Board medal at Chess Olympiads, as D. Abraham Yanofsky wins Gold on Board 2.

Anabelle Lougheed first Canadian to compete for the Women's World Chess Championship, in the tournament at Buenos Aires, Argentina.

1940s

Penrose family, including future British Chess Champion Jonathan Penrose, lives in London, Ontario during World War II.

Two Knights Defence, Canadian Variation: 1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Bc4 Nf6 4. Ng5 d5 5. exd5 Na5 6. Bb5+ c6 7. dxc6 bxc6 8. Be2 h6 9. Nf3 e4 10. Ne5 Bd6 11. f4 Bc5 12. c3 Qb6 was named by *Chess Review* after C. Goodman of Toronto.

Fred Wren gives talks on chess on CBC Radio.

1942

D. Abraham Yanofsky U.S. Open Chess Champion.

1943

New Brunswick hosts first national championship, as Canadian Chess Championship held at Dalhousie.

1945

CCF renamed Chess Federation of Canada (CFC).

Frank Yerhoff Jr. wins both Canadian Chess Championship and Canadian Correspondence Chess Championship.

Saskatchewan hosts first national championship, as Canadian Chess Championship held at Saskatoon.

The May Open – Upcoming Tournament

This 5 round swiss will be held at the Bayview Games Club, 1681 Bayview Avenue, on May 27 – 29. Time control will be Game/150 min.. Rounds are : Friday – 6:30 pm; Sat. & Sun. – 11:00 am & 5:30 pm. Entry Fee is \$55 (payable in cash by May 26). Late Fee - \$ 10. Non-members of BGC - \$ 15 extra. This is a CFC – rated tournament – membership required or \$ 10 tournament membership. For further information : Vlad Dobrich 416-722-9709.

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