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*ITEMS OF INTEREST TO BOTH MEMBERS & NON-MEMBERS*

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**HAPPY NEW YEAR !!**

**Topalov Issues Challenge to Kramnik**

The FIDE regulations allow a player of 2700 or over ( or an ex-World Champion ) to request a World Championship match of 12 games on the condition of establishing a prize fund for the champion of \$1 million ( USD ) and 20% of the prize fund for FIDE. In mid-December, Veselin Topalov ( Bulgaria ), 2005 FIDE World Champion, issued his formal challenge to Vladimir Kramnik ( Russia ), 2006 World Champion.

There is a scheduling problem that needs to be overcome, in that the match is to be completed at least 6 months before the 2007 World Championship tournament, in Mexico City, Mexico, which begins Sept. 12, 2007. This means the challenge match would have to be concluded by March 12, 2007. Topalov however has conditionally proposed the match date of April 12 – 30, 2007. He does say however that if FIDE insists on the regulation time-frame, he is willing to have the match occur earlier. Another problem may be that Topalov is slated to play in the Morelia/Linares tournament from Feb. 16 – March 2, 2007. He could not do this and play a world championship match that has to end by March 12, 2007.

We will have to await the response of Kramnik and FIDE to this new development.

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## **Topalov to be Brought Before FIDE Ethics Committee**

In a recent public interview, Topalov is alleged to have for the first time himself charged that Kramnik was cheating, using a computer for assistance when he took his washroom breaks. This charge was originally made by Topalov's manager, Silvio Danailov, during the recent World Championship Match. Now Kramnik has had it. His manager, Karsten Hensel, has now advised that a complaint has been formally brought before the FIDE Ethics Committee against Topalov. This could result in a 3-year suspension of Topalov.

The difficulty seems to be that the alleged words were not in the print version of the interview in the Spanish newspaper. They were alleged in the on-line version. Topalov has stated that he did not make any such allegations, and that the newspaper was paraphrasing the earlier words of Danailov, and attributing them to him.

The FIDE chairperson of the Committee has expressed a hope that the two managers can settle this between them, and that the Committee will not be called upon to decide it. But he said they will decide it if they must.

## **CFC on Very Shaky Ground**

Governor's Letter # 3 should give all CFC members cause for great concern. Rumours have been swirling around over the last 6 months indicating various expected weaknesses in the CFC structure. Now there is solid confirmation that the CFC faces serious problems. Here are some selected excerpts from the GL :

### “ Outgoing President:

CRA: The Canada Revenue Agency conducted an audit ... has recommended the CFC lose its charitable status ...

Budget: The financial picture ... does not look good.

### Incoming president:

I don't have much confidence in the CFC financial statements which are included in this letter, but we seem to have a net worth of about \$90,000. We had less than \$10,000.00 in the bank last weekend.

Secretary: We of the CFC are facing a crisis which has the possibility of completely changing our mission and our survival is not completely assured.

Treasurer: The most striking feature is a total collapse of revenues: the projected \$282,581 revenue is to be compared to the 2004 revenue of \$395,544 and to the 2005 revenue of \$404,923.

Our charitable status is in great jeopardy. The CCRA audit claims that we did emit improper tax receipts. Although loss of money could bring us down eventually (there is still over \$100,000 in the foundation), the government can shut down our operations permanently and force us to either give our assets to another registered charity or to the Federal government. “

It is clear that loss of members is a key financial factor for the CFC. This loss of members also affects rating fee revenue, since fewer members leads to fewer players in local tournaments. Unfortunately, we have seen almost no plans from the CFC to meet this problem head on. We are not saying it is an easy, or perhaps an even solvable , problem, but we have seen no creative efforts on this front. It is our belief that one aspect of an attack on this problem involves reversing the decline in membership in over-the-board chess clubs. More local members brings more CFC members, more rating fees as they play in club CFC-rated tournaments, more rating fees as they also play in weekend and national tournaments. It also leads to greater retail sales as active club members purchase books, DVD's, chess sets, and chess gifts for others. It is interesting to note that SCC was suffering like all other chess clubs in Canada back a year or two ago. Our swiss tournament was at one point down to 14 players. The CFC had nothing in place to give any assistance to SCC. And yet our decline was reverberating at the national level, contributing to their decline. Something seems wrong here. The CFC needs to immediately strike a committee to look into this aspect of fighting to recover from our current position..

We would suggest that one thing this committee immediately do is to investigate what suggestions local chess clubs have for CFC support for their operations. And part of this should include an investigation of those chess clubs that are bucking the trend, and increasing their membership despite decline elsewhere. Perhaps the SCC Executive can examine our recent success in turning the club around. We are now getting 44 players out to our swiss tournament, a year or so after our low point. What is SCC doing right? Is it transferable to other chess clubs? Could the CFC Committee act as a bridge to pass such information to other chess clubs? And could the SCC Executive give some suggestions to the CFC Committee as to what kind of support ( other than direct \$\$ ) would be helpful to our continuing to expand our membership? Perhaps the SCC could take the bull by the horns, and raise the issue of striking such a committee with the CFC Executive.

We are not seeing this as a panacea – we recognize it is just one aspect of reversing the decline of the CFC. But it is a start and seems like a critical aspect. One asset the CFC does have is it's current members – YOU! Speak to your local club executive on this idea and bat it around. SCC members - speak to our executive about this idea and pass on any ideas you have to pass on to the CFC. Maybe some kind of grassroots campaign can start a “ salvation “ plan for the CFC.

### **Top Ranked Canadian Chess Players at Year-end 2006**

( by David Cohen )

GM Kevin Spraggett, originally from Montreal, Quebec, is the top ranked Canadian chess player at year-end of 2006, for the 5th time in a row (2002-6) and for a record 24th time since 1980. Spraggett also obtained the highest ever international chess rating for a Canadian through his play abroad. Canadian Champion IM Igor Zugic, of Toronto, Ontario, was the highest ranked Canadian active in Canada during 2006.

Canadian Women's Champion WIM Natalia Khoudgarian, of Toronto, Ontario, is the top ranked Canadian female chess player at year-end of 2006, for the 11th year in

a row (1996-2006). WFM Valeria Gansvind, of Sidney, British Columbia, was higher ranked (top ranked female resident 2002-5), but represents Estonia internationally. WGM/I Master Sophia Polgar, of Toronto, Ontario, was even higher ranked (top ranked female resident 2006), but was not active; she represents Hungary internationally.

### SCC Late Fall Swiss

On Thursday, Nov. 2, a new one-section, 8 round swiss began. 44 players registered ( a new record turnout for the last few years ). There was a 4-way tie for first, each having 6 pts.: 1<sup>st</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> – Bryan Lamb, highest rated player in the club; junior expert Aman Hambleton, 2<sup>nd</sup> highest-rated player in the club; Donal Deiseach, one of last year's club co-champions, and one of our five experts; and newcomer expert, Josh Guo. In 5<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> place at 5.5 pts. were: John Hall, one of the five experts in the club; Silvano Mesiti; Josh Sherman; Rick Garel; Randy Moysoski; and Joe Bellomo.

In the final round, on Bd. 1, Guo won a tough game over Hall, with both being in time trouble at the end. Here is their game ( Annotations by Bob Armstrong, using Fritz ):

#### **Guo, J (2104) – Hall, J (2057) [C68]**

SCC Late Fall Swiss Toronto (8), 21.12.2006

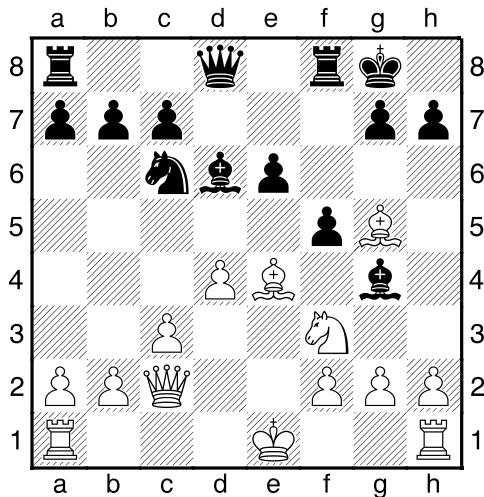
**1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Bxc6 dxc6 5.0-0 Qf6** [ 5...Bg4 6.d3 Bd6 7.h3 Bh5 8.c3 Ne7=] **6.d4 exd4 7.Nxd4??** [ 7.Bg5 Qd6 8.Qxd4 Qxd4 9.Nxd4 Bd7=] **7...Bd7 8.e5 Qg6 9.Be3 0-0-0 10.Nd2??** John gets a " clear " advantage [ 10.Qe2 Bh3 11.Qf3 Bg4 12.Qf4 Ne7=] **10...Nh6??** [ 10...Ne7 11.c3 Nd5 12.Qf3 Bg4 13.Qe4 c5 14.N4b3 Bf5 15.Qf3 Nxe3 16.Qxe3 Rd3 17.Qe2 Be7=] **11.f3??** [ 11.Qf3 Nf5 12.Ne2 Nxe3 13.Qxe3 b6=] **11...Bh3 12.Qe2 Nf5 13.Nxf5 Bxf5 14.Ne4 Bxe4??** [ 14...Be7 15.Qf2 Bxe4 16.fxe4 Qxe4=] **15.fxe4 Qxe4 16.Rxf7 Bc5 17.Re1 Qxe5** John goes up a P **18.Bxc5 Qxc5+ 19.Qe3 Qxe3+ 20.Rxe3 Rhf8 21.Rxf8 Rxf8 22.Re7 Rg8 23.g4 c5 24.Kf2 b6 25.Kf3 Kb7 26.Ke4??** [ 26.h4 Kc6 27.h5 Kd6 28.Rf7 c4 29.g5 a5 30.Kf4 b5 31.Kf5 c5=] **26...Kc6** [ 26...h6 27.b3 b5 28.c4 Kb6 29.Kf5 Rf8+ 30.Kg6 Rf2 31.h3 Rxa2 32.Kxg7 Rg2 33.Re6+ c6 34.Rg6 Rb2=] **27.Ke5 h6 28.h4 h5??+–** the world turns around on one move, and suddenly Josh has a " winning " advantage [ 28...c4 29.h5 b5 30.Kf5 Rf8+ 31.Kg6 Rf2 32.Rxg7 Rxc2 33.g5 Rg2 34.Kf7 hxg5 35.h6 Rxb2 36.h7 Rh2 37.Rg6+ Kc5 38.Kg7 c3=] **29.g5 Rd8 30.Rxg7** material is equal, but the position is not **30...Rd4 31.Rh7 Rxh4** John goes up a P, but it does not help him; he cannot make use of it **32.g6 Rg4 33.Kf6 h4 34.g7 h3** John had less than 5 min. left on his clock **35.Rxh3** material is now equal but Josh now has a passed P on the 7th **35...Rg2 36.Rh5 Kb5 37.Rg5 Rf2+ 38.Ke7 Re2+** [ 38...Rxc2 39.b3 Kb4 40.Rg4+ c4 41.bxc4 c5+–] **39.Kd7 Rxc2** winning a P at this point is of no consequence **40.g8Q Rxb2 41.Kxc7** Josh has Q vs 2 P's **41...Ka4 42.Qc4+ Ka5 43.Qc3+ Rb4 44.a3 b5 45.axb4+ cxb4 1-0**

In Rd. 7, two of last year's club co-champions faced off, and Donal Deiseach decided to sac his Q for three minor pieces, which Alex Rapoport accepted, and Donal came out on top, tying for 1<sup>st</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>. Here is their game ( Annotations by Bob Armstrong, using Fritz ):

#### **Rapoport, A (1989) – Deiseach, D (2014) [D00]**

SCC Late Fall Swiss Toronto (8), 21.12.2006

**1.d4 d5 2.e3 Nf6 3.Bd3??** [ 3.Nf3=] **3...Nc6 4.c3** [ 4.Nf3 Bg4 5.Bb5 e6 6.h3 Bxf3 7.gxf3 a6 8.Bxc6+ bxc6=] **4...Bg4? =** [ 4...e5 5.Bb5 e4 6.Be2 Bd6=] **5.Nf3??** [ 5.f3 Bc8 6.f4 g6 7.Nf3 Bf5=] **5...e6? =** [ 5...e5 6.h3 Bxf3 7.gxf3 Qd7 8.Qc2 Bd6=] **6.Nbd2 Bd6 7.Qc2 0-0 8.e4 dxe4 9.Nxe4 Nxe4 10.Bxe4 f5 11.Bg5??** [ 11.Bxc6 bxc6 12.Bg5 Qd7 13.0-0-0 f4=]



**11...Bxf3?!=** Donal decides on the dubious Q sac for three pieces [ 11...Qe8 12.Bxc6 Qxc6 13.0-0 f4=] **12.Bxd8??** And Alex wrongly decides to accept the challenge [ 12.Bxc6 Qxg5 13.Bxf3 Rab8=] **12...Bxe4 13.Qb3??** Donal again gets a " clear " advantage [ 13.Qe2 Raxd8 14.0-0 a6 15.f3 Bd5 16.f4 Rf6=] **13...Bd5??** [ 13...Bxg2 14.Bxc7 Bxc7 15.Qxe6+ Kh8 16.0-0-0 Be4= ( 16...Bxh1? 17.Rxh1 Rae8 18.Qb3 Re2=) ] **14.Qc2??-+** Donal gets a " winning " advantage [ 14.Qa4 Raxd8 15.0-0 a6=] **14...Raxd8??** [ 14...Bxg2 15.Rg1 Be4 16.Qc1 Raxd8 17.Qh6 Rf7 18.0-0-0 e5 19.d5 Ne7-+] **15.f3??-+** [ 15.0-0 Rf6 16.Qd3 Bf4 17.f3 e5 18.g3 Rg6=] **15...e5 16.dxe5 Nxe5 17.0-0-0 c6** [ 17...Bxa2 18.Rhe1 ( 18.b3?? Ba3+ 19.Qb2 Nd3+ 20.Rxd3 Bxb2+ 21.Kxb2 Rxd3 22.Kxa2 Rd2+ 23.Ka3 Rxc2-+) 18...Bf7 19.f4 Nd7-+] **18.b3 b5 19.Rhf1 a5 20.Kb2 a4 21.h3 axb3 22.axb3 f4 23.Rde1 Be6** [ 23...Bf7 24.Rd1 Bg6 25.Qf2 b4 26.Qd4 Rfe8 27.cxb4 Nxf3! 28.Qc4+ Bf7 29.Rxd6 Bxc4 30.Rxd8 Rxd8 31.Rxf3 Be6-+] **24.g4 fxc3 25.f4 Bf5 26.fxe5** [ there is no escape for the Q, given the K's vulnerability 26.Qe2 Nd3+ 27.Qxd3 Bxd3 28.Rf3 Bxf4-+] **26...Bxc2 27.exd6 Rxf1** [ 27...Bg6 28.Rxf8+ Kxf8 29.Rg1 Rxd6 30.Rxc3 Rd3 31.Rxd3 Bxd3 and Bl is up B+P] **28.Rxf1 Be4-+** Alex is down B+P and resigned **0-1**

Down on one of the middle boards, a cliff-hanger took place between Andrew Philip, club Treasurer, and Steve Karpik, club Secretary. In completely atypical fashion, Karpik developed a K-side attack!! But it drained him so much, he got into desperate time-trouble ( they were the last game in the hall ). But he played very well, under pressure, and got a won game. Then in a gentlemanly Christmas spirit, Philip, who was totally smashed, offered Steve a draw with Steve's flag hanging, and Steve gleefully accepted. Some of us have a saying at SCC : " a draw is better than a loss !! " Looks like this is one of those cases. Here is their exciting game ( Annotations by Andrew Philip & Bob Armstrong [ B.A. ], using Fritz ):

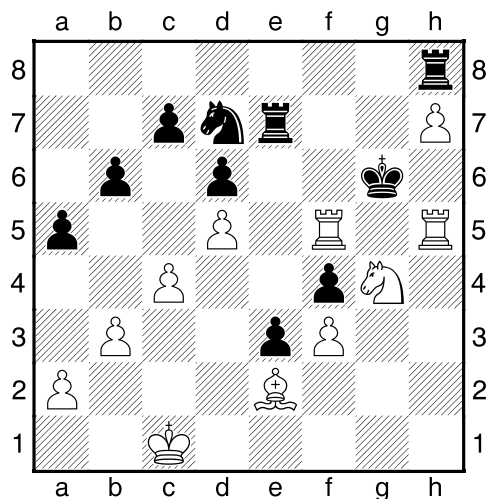
### Karpik, S (1615) – Philip, A (1698) [E90]

SCC Late Fall Swiss Toronto (8), 21.12.2006

75MB, Fritz9.ctg, TOR31018186 **1.Nf3 g6± 2.d4 Bg7 3.c4= Nf6 4.Nc3 0-0 5.e4 d6 6.Bd2 Nbd7 7.Qc1 Re8 8.Bh6 Bh8 9.h3 e5 10.d5 Nc5 11.Ng5 a5 12.Be2??** [ B.A. 12.Qe3 Ra6 13.0-0-0 a4=] **12...Bg7??=** [ possibly better is 12...Nh5 13.g3 ( 13.Bxh5?? Nd3+--+) 13...f6=] **13.Bxc7 Kxc7 14.Qe3= h6** [ Fritz 9 prefers 14...Ra6 ; or 14...a4 ] **15.Nf3 Nh7 16.h4 f5 17.exf5 gxf5?±** [ B.A.

17...Bxf5 18.0-0-0 a4 19.Ne1 Nf6=] **18.g3?=[** Fritz prefers 18.0-0-0± ] **18...Qf6?±** [ better is 18...Nf6 ] **19.Nb5?=[** B.A. 19.0-0-0 Qg6 20.Nb5 Re7 21.h5 Qf7±] **19...Re7?±** [ B.A. 19...Qd8 20.0-0-0 a4 21.Rhg1 Bd7=] **20.0-0-0± b6?!±** [ better are 20...Bd7± ; or 20...Qf7± ] **21.Nh2 Bb7 22.g4?±** [ B.A. 22.Rhg1 Kh8 23.g4 f4 24.Qh3 Bc8±] **22...f4 23.Qf3?=[** Fritz gives 23.Qd2 Ne4 24.g5 hxg5 25.Qe1 gxh4 26.Nf3 Nhg5 27.Nxh4±; B.A. Fritz 10 gives 23.Qh3 Bc8 24.Rhg1 e4 25.Kb1 a4±] **23...e4?±** [ Alternative is 23...Qxh4 with an equal game according to Fritz] **24.Qc3 Qxc3+ 25.Nxc3 e3?±** [ Better is 25...f3 26.Bf1 Nf8 with idea of Ng6 and Ne5] **26.f3?±** [ better is 26.Nf3 exf2 27.Nd4 Bc8 28.Rhf1±] **26...Nf6?±** [ preferable is 26...Nf8 where White has just a slight plus.] **27.g5??=[** B.A. Steve's attack is now going nowhere [ Fritz likes 27.Rd4± ] **27...hxg5** [ More straightforward is 27...Nh5 28.Nf1 Bc8=] **28.Rdg1** [ B.A. 28.Rhg1 Rf8 29.Rxg5+ Kh8 30.Rd4 Nfd7=] **28...Nh5??+–** B.A. blunders the N [ 28...Rh8 29.Rxg5+ Kf7 30.Ng4 Nh5=] **29.Rxg5+ Kh6** [ B.A. 29...Kh8 30.Rxh5+ Rh7 31.Rxh7+ Kxh7 32.Nb5 Rg8 ( 32...Rc8 33.Ng4 Ba6 34.Kc2 Bxb5 35.cxb5 Kh8+–) 33.Nxc7 Rg2 34.Kd1 Bc8+–] **30.Ng4+ Kh7 31.Rxh5+ Kg6 32.Rg5+ Kf7** [ if 32...Kh7 33.Nf6+ Kh8 34.Rhg1 Nb3+ 35.axb3 Bxd5 36.Rh5+ Rh7 37.Rxh7#] **33.Rg1 Rh8 34.h5** [ B.A. better is 34.Rf5+ Ke8 35.Rxf4 Bc8 36.Nf6+ Kd8 37.Nb5 Rf7 38.Nd4 Ke7 39.Nc6+ Kf8+–] **34...Bc8 35.b3** [ 35.Nb5 immediately 35...a4 36.Nd4 Ree8 37.Rg6 Bxg4 38.R6xg4 Reg8 39.Rxf4+ Ke8 40.Rxg8+ Rxg8+–] **35...Rh7 36.Rh1 Bd7 37.Nb5 Bc8 38.Nd4 Re8 39.Nf5 Reh8 40.h6** B.A. Steve now had less than 5 min. left on his clock. **40...Bxf5?!** [ B.A. 40...Rf8 41.Rh4 Ke8 42.Nd4 Kf7 43.Bd1 Bd7 44.Bc2 Rhh8 45.Rg7+ Ke8 46.h7+–] **41.Rxf5+ Kg6?** [ B.A. 41...Ke7 42.Rxf4 Kd8 43.Kb2 Rd7+–] **42.Rhh5!!** threatening mate in one **42...Re7** [ B.A. 42...Re7#] **43.h7** B.A. the long way to mate [ Fritz says mate is inevitable after 43.Rhg5+! Kh7 44.Rxf4 Rg8 45.Nf6+ Kxh6 46.Rxg8 Rg7 47.Rh8+ Kg5 48.Nh5 Rg6 49.Rg4+ Kf5 50.Rf8+ Ke5 51.Rgf4+–] **43...Nd7??+–** B.A. allows quick mate [ B.A. 43...Rg7 44.Kb1 Rd8 45.Bd1 e2 46.Bxe2 Rh8 47.Bd1 Nd3 48.Bc2 Rf8 49.Bxd3 Rxf5 50.h8Q Kf7 51.Rxf5+ Ke7 52.Qxg7+ Kd8 53.Rf8#]

Position after 43...Nd7??+–



**44.Rfg5+?+–** wrong rook! [ It is mate in 4 after 44.Rhg5+! Kxh7 45.Rf7+ Rxf7 46.Bd3+ Rf5 47.Bxf5#] **44...Kf7 45.Nh6+** [ B.A. 45.Rg8 Rxh7 ( 45...Rxg8? 46.Nh6+ Kg6 47.hxg8Q+ Kxh5 48.Ng4 Ne5 49.Qh8+ Kg6 50.Qf6+ Kh7 51.Qxe7+ Kg6 52.Qf8 a4 53.Qg8+ Kh5 54.Qh7+ Kg5 55.Qh6+ Kf5 56.Qf6#) 46.Rxh7+ Kxg8 47.Rxe7 Nc5+–] **45...Kf6 46.Ng8+ Kf7** [ if 46...Rxg8 47.hxg8Q Rf7 48.Rf5+ Ke7 49.Rxf7#] **47.Nxe7 Kxe7** [ B.A. 47...Nf6 48.Ng8 Nxh5 49.Rxh5 Kg6 50.Rh4 Kf5 51.Kb2 Kg6 52.Bd3+ Kg7 53.Rg4+ Kf7+–] **48.Rg8 Rxh7 49.Rxh7+ Kf6 50.Rg1?** [ In severe time trouble White misses 50.Rxd7 and the mating net. For instance 50...b5 51.Rf8+ Ke5 52.Re8+ Kf6 53.Re6+ Kg5 54.Bd3 bxc4 55.Rg6+ Kh4 56.Rh7#] **50...Ne5 51.Rh6+ Kf7 52.Rh7+**

and with his flag hanging White accepts Black's draw offer. [ 52.Rh4 a4 53.Rxf4+ Ke8 54.Rg8+ Kd7 55.Rg7+ Kc8 56.Rf8+ Kb7 57.b4 a3 58.b5 Ng6 59.Rxg6 Ka7 60.Rg7 Kb7 61.f4 Ka7 62.Rxc7#] B.A. The game could have continued **52...Kf6 53.Rh4 Kf5 54.Rh6 Nd7 55.Rh7 Ne5 56.Rxc7+- ½-½**

### **2006-7 SCC Club Championship**

This tournament will start on Thursday, January 4, 2007. It will be in 2 sections. The top section is a 10 player round robin, of the 8 highest rated players registering, plus the 2 winners of the 2005-6 Reserves Section, Richard Douglas and Doug Gillis, if they so choose. The second section for all other members is a 7 round swiss, with the two top finishers qualifying for next year's championship section. So brush up on your openings and your tactics and come out for some friendly, but competitive, over-the-board chess !

### **Toronto Holidays Open – Report**

Leonid Gerzhoy won this 49 player Swiss, played Dec. 26-30/06 at Bayview Games Club, with a final round win over Dave Southam. Top finishers were:

Gerzhoy 5-1  
Nikolay Noritsyn 4.5  
Michael Barron 4.5  
Liam Henry 4.5  
Michael Kimelman 4.5  
Yevgeny Nahutin 4.5

Section winners were:

- “ A “ – 4 pts. – Ilia Bluvshstein  
Alex Martchenko  
Sivasankar Balakumar  
Sam Haziproddromu
- “ B “ – 3.5 pts. – Omar Shah  
Chris Benson  
Sandeep Joshi  
Tyler Longo
- “ C “ – 4 pts. – Jelovac Ivko
- “ D “ – 3 pts. – Oleg Tselviko  
Alexandru Florea
- “ E “ – 3 pts. – Richard Laporte

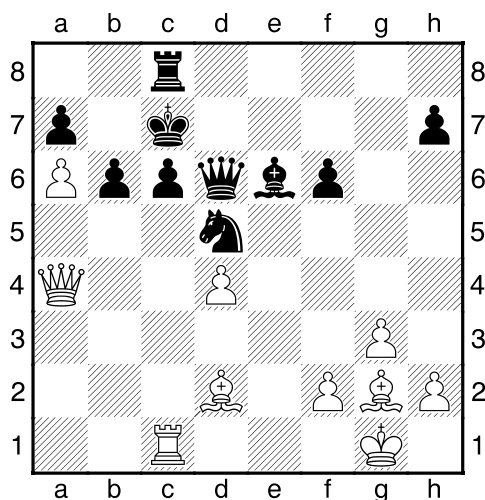
\$2560 in prizes was awarded with \$700 to the winner.

Here is the Rd. 3 win by Henry over Noritsyn, whereby Henry, Defending Champion, took sole possession of the lead, with 3 wins/3 games ( Annotations by Bob Armstrong, using Fritz ):

## Henry, L (2294) – Noritsyn, N (2443) [B16]

Toronto Holidays Open Bayview Games Club, Toronto (3), 27.12.2006

1.e4 c6± 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Nf6 5.Nxf6+ gxf6 6.c3 Bf5 7.Nf3?=[ 7.Ne2 Nd7 8.Ng3 Bg6 9.Be2 Qb6±] 7...Nd7 8.g3 [ 8.Be2 Qc7 9.Nh4 Be4 10.Be3 Nb6=] 8...Qc7 9.Bg2 0-0-0 10.0-0 e5 11.Re1 Bd6 12.a4 Bg4?± [ 12...Kb8 13.a5 Be6 14.dxe5 fxe5=] 13.b4 Rhe8 14.Qb3 exd4 [ 14...Be6 15.Qb1 Nb6 ( 15...Kb8? 16.b5 c5 17.a5 cxd4 18.cxd4 exd4±) 16.b5 cxb5 17.axb5 Kb8±] 15.Rxe8 Rxe8 16.cxd4 Qb6?± [ 16...Be6 17.Qb2 Nb6 18.Bh6 Bd5±] 17.Qxf7 Rf8 18.Qc4 [ 18.Qa2 Bxf3 19.Bxf3 Qxd4 20.Be3 Qxb4±] 18...Qxb4 19.Qd3 Qa5 20.Bd2 Qf5 [ 20...Qh5 21.Nh4 Re8 22.Qc2 Re2±; 20...Bf5 21.Qc4 Qb6 22.d5 Bc5±] 21.Qb3 [ 21.Qc3 Nb8 22.Rc1 Rd8±] 21...Qe6 [ 21...Qd5 22.Qc3 Qf7 23.Nh4 Nb6±] 22.Qb2 Nb6 23.a5 Nd5 [ 23...Nc4 24.Qc3 Rd8 25.Bh6 Bc7±] 24.a6 b6 25.Qc2?± [ 25.Rc1 Qe8 26.Nh4 Kb8 27.Qc2 Ne7±] 25...Qd7 26.Rc1 Bf5??+- [ 26...Be6 27.Ne1 Kc7 28.Nd3 Re8±] 27.Qa4 Kc7 [ 27...Ne7 28.Nh4 Bg6 29.Bxc6 Nxc6 30.Rxc6+ Kd8 31.Nxg6 hxg6 32.Rxd6 Qxd6 33.Bb4 Qe6 34.Bxf8 Qe1+ 35.Kg2 Qe4+ 36.f3 Qe2+ 37.Kh3 Qxf3+-] 28.Nh4 Be6 29.Nf5 Rc8 [ better is 29...Rf7 30.Ne3 Ne7 31.d5 c5+- though this is still losing] 30.Nxd6 Qxd6??+- [ best is 30...Kxd6 31.Qa3+ Kc7 32.Bxd5 Bxd5 33.Bf4+ Kd8 34.Qf8+ Qe8 35.Qd6+ Qd7 36.Qxf6+ Qe7 37.Qh6 Kd7 38.Qh3+ Be6 39.Qh5 Bd5+- when W is only up a P]



31.Bf4 Nxf4 32.Rxc6+ Kd7 33.Rxd6+ Kxd6 34.Qa3+ 1-0

## 2006 GTCL Grand Prix – Final Results

\$ 1,250 in prizes were awarded, based on points accumulated throughout 2006 in the various Grand Prix tournaments. The final results were :

- 1) Noritsyn, Nikolay 2431 29.5 - \$400
- 2) Chidley-Hill, John 1751 26.0 - \$300



- 3) Martchenko, Alexander 1978 21.0 - \$200
- 4) Southam, David 2101 20.5 - \$100
- 5) Laporte, Richard unr 20.0 - \$ 50
- 6) Ramenaden, Matthew 1784 19.5 - \$ 50
- 7) Henry, Liam 2123 19.0 - \$ 50
- 8) Chan, Alex 1463 18.0 - \$ 50
- 9) Sapozhnikov, Roman 1738 17.0 - \$ 25
- 9) Ferreira, Alex 1912 17.0 - \$ 25

### **1st Board of Jewish Education Team Chess Championship 2006**

( By David Cohen )

Chess Institute of Canada organized and directed the first team chess championship for Jewish Day and Supplementary schools from Ontario during the Chanukah holiday on Sunday, December 17, sponsored by the UJA Federation Board of Jewish Education of Greater Toronto. 14 teams attended, 6 of them ours (all from the Paul Penna Downtown Jewish Day School). The awards were presented by the Guest of the tournament, International Master Sophia Polgar.

Prize winners:

Grades K-12

1st: CHAT (Richmond Hill) (Coby Bergman, Joseph Israelov, Daniel Ostromich, Leon Perelman).

Grades K-6

1st: Leo Baeck (Elliot Kaufman, Rebecca Giblon, Melissa Giblon, Jeffrey Gould).  
 2nd: Associated Hebrew Middle School (North York) Danilack (Simon Gladstone, David Ripsman, Dan Amar, Dan Poliwoda); Associated Hebrew (Toronto) Posluns (Ben Sterlin, Noah Koven, Sam Baranek, Benjamin Herman); Downtown Jewish Community School (Jordan Hofmann, Kevin Kadak, Harris Lechtzier, Tera Hofmann); United Synagogue D.S. (Brent Marks, Benjamin Raubvogel, Jacob Raubvogel, Zac Goldkind).

Grades K-3

1st: Paul Penna Downtown Jewish Day School 'A'  
 (Gavriel Swayze, Samuel Brooks, Aviva Ripstein, Jacob Shekter).

2nd: Paul Penna Downtown Jewish Day School 'C' (Jake Katz, Kohava Mendelsohn, Jesse Shrier, Jonah Dayton); Paul Penna Downtown Jewish Day School 'D' (Dov Beck-Levine, Rachel Brooks, Zachary Freeman); Paul Penna Downtown Jewish Day School 'E' (Benjamin Beiles, Anna Sarick-Whiteside, Rowan Davidson).

Individual results are available on the Chess'n Math Association web site at

<http://www.chesstalk.com/elo/pub/scr/tournois.php?no=2908>.

### **Canadian Junior Championship Here in Toronto**

This tournament is for players born in 1987 or later. It will be held at the Bayview Games Club, 1681 Bayview Ave., Suite 202, Jan.2 – 7, one game per day ( 6:30 PM ). Time control is Game/90 min. , with 30 sec. Fischer increment. Entry Fee is \$ 150 ( \$ 10 late fee on site ) - \$ 100 transferred to CFC for World Junior expenses. The winner will have expenses paid to the World Junior Championship. The top female will be invited to play in the World Girls' Junior Championship ( Not Paid ). More info at [www.bayviewgamesclub.com](http://www.bayviewgamesclub.com), or call Vlad Dobrich 416-722-9709.

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