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**World Chess Olympiad, Russia – A Canadian Perspective**

This biennial gathering of the top players in the chess world began on Sunday Sept. 19 ( Rd. 1 on Monday, Sept. 21 ), and ran to Oct. 4 ( Rd. 11 on Oct. 3 ). Each country fields 2 teams of 5 players – 4 + 1 reserve; one team is in the Open section ( men and women can play ); one team is in the Women’s section ( women only ). 159 national and 119 women teams were registered. A total of 1380 player competed in the two sections.. The statistics are impressive - 772 titled players - out of them 247 GM’s, 63 WGM’s, 160 IM’s, 87 WIM’s, 81 FM’s, and 80 WFM’s.

From a Canadian perspective, the talk of the town is that IM Thomas Roussel-Roozman



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earned his GM title with his outstanding performance ! Competing with this was Mark Bluvstein's win over # 2 ranked Veselin Topalov



As well, Yelizaveta Orlova got her Women's Candidate Master title. Finally, Yuanling got a near miss – had she won her last game, she would have earned her Women's GM title – but unfortunately she lost. But her score of almost 70% ( 7.5/11 pts. ) was exceptionally good.

Congratulations to Thomas, Mark., Liza and Yuanling.

Canada sent 2 of its youngest teams ever – the average age of the national team was 21 years; of the women's team – 19 years. For this event, Canada's national team was ranked # 53 among the 159 FIDE countries playing, and the Women's Team was # 58.

Here are Canada's results

### Open Section


<u>Rd.</u>	<u>Initial Ranking</u>		<u>Score</u>		<u>Initial Ranking</u>
1	53	Canada	2 – 0 ( 4 - .0 )	Mozambique	127
2	33	Uzbekistan	2 – 0 ( 2.5 – 1.5 )	Canada	53
3	74	Uruguay	1 - 1 ( 2 – 2 )	Canada	53
4	56	Canada	2 – 0 ( 3.5 - .5 )	Thailand	94
5	56	Canada	2 – 0 ( 2.5 – 1.5 )	Denmark	44
6	28	Croatia	1 – 1 ( 2 – 2 )	Canada	53
7	53	Canada	1 – 1 !! ( 2 – 2 )	Bulgaria	8
8	66	Mongolia	2 – 0 ( 1.5 – 2.5 )	Canada	53

9	17	Czech Republic	2 – 0 ( 3 – 1 )	Canada	53
10	53	Canada	1 – 1 ( 2 – 2 )	Kazakhstan	41
11	53	Canada	1 – 1 ( 2 – 2 )	Montenegro	56

Canada's Total : 13 match points; 25 game points.

A bit disappointing to end with a draw, against a team we had every hopes of defeating. But the open section team did rise substantially in the rankings - 16 places ! – they finished # 37 ( started at # 53 ). They had an excellent result drawing Bulgaria, including Mark defeating Veselin Topalov, # 2 in the world, and Croatia. They defeated Denmark. The result, though not spectacular, was solid and a good improvement. The team deserves our thanks for such good representation of our country.

Here are the individual records of the 5 players:

 <b>37. Canada (CAN / RtgAvg:2492, Captain: Otchkous, Youri / TB1: 13 / TB2: 264)</b>																							
Bo.		Name	Rtg	FE D	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Pt s.	Gam es	Rp	w	we	w-we	K	rtg+ /-
1	G M	Bluvshstein Mark	258	CA 3 N	1	0	1	½	½	0	1	½	0	½	1	6,0	11	257	6	5,9	0,0	1	0,7
2	IM	Roussel-Roozmon Thomas	248	CA 4 N	1	1	½	1	½	1	½	½	½	½	½	7,0	10	258	7	5,3	1,6	1	16,3
3	IM	Gerzhoy Leonid	248	CA 5 N	1	0	0			0	½	½	1	1	½	4,5	9	238	3,1	3,5	0,0	1	-0,8
4	IM	Samsonkin Artiom	240	CA 9 N			½	1	½			1	0		0	3,0	6	242	3	2,9	0,1	1	1,0
5	IM	Noritsyn Nikolay	241	CA 4 N	1	½		1	1	1	0		0	0		4,5	8	231	3,4	3,2	0,2	1	2,8

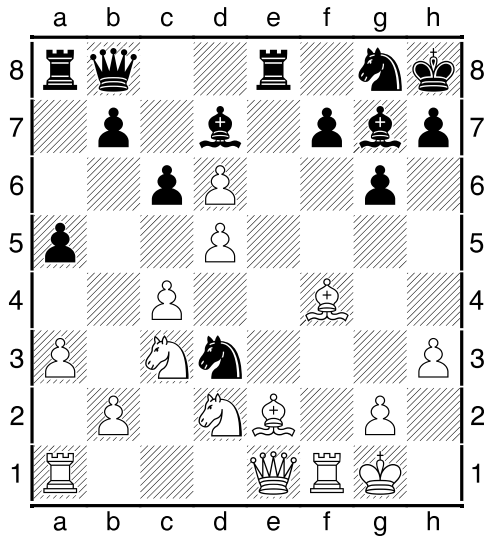
A game which has garnered high praise was Mark's win in the last round against Montenegro. He goes on a sacking spree. Here is the game ( Annotations by Bob Armstrong, using Fritz ):

### Bluvshstein, Mark (2583) – Djukic, Nikola (2475) [E90]

39th Olympiad Men Khanty–Mansiysk RUS (11.22), 03.10.2010

**1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6± [2...e6=] 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.h3?!= [5.Nf3 0-0 6.Be2 c5±] 5...0-0 6.Bg5 c6?!± [6...c5 7.d5 e6=] 7.Nf3 e5 [7...Nbd7 8.Qc2 c5±] 8.d5 [8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Qxd8 Rxd8 10.Nxe5 h6 11.Bf4 Na6=] 8...a5 [8...Qb6 9.Rb1 Qc7±] 9.Be2 Na6 10.0-0 Bd7 11.Nd2 Kh8 12.a3 Qb8?!± Mark gets a " clear " advantage [12...h6 13.Be3 Ng8±] 13.f4?=[13.Be3 Qc7 14.Rc1 Bc8±] 13...exf4 14.Bxf4 Nc5?!± [14...Qc7 15.Kh1 Ne8±] 15.Qe1 Re8 16.e5 Ng8 [16...dxe5?! 17.Be3 Qd6±; 16...Nh5?! 17.Bh2 Bxe5 18.Bxe5+ Rxe5 19.Qf2 (19.Rxf7?! Qe8=) 19...f5±] 17.exd6?!= [17.Qf2? dxe5 18.Bg5 f6 19.Qxc5 fxg5=; 17.b4 axb4 18.axb4 Na6±] 17...Nd3**

Position after 17...Nd3



**18.Bxd3!!** Mark soundly decides to sac his Q ! [18.Qh4 Nxf4 19.Rxf4 cxd5 20.Rxf7 Qxd6=] **18...Rxe1** [18...Qa7+ 19.Kh1 Rxe1 20.Raxe1 cxd5 21.Nxd5 Qd4 22.Be4 f5=] **19.Raxe1** Nikola is up Q vs R + N + P **19...Qa7+ 20.Kh1 Qb6?!±** [20...cxd5 21.Nxd5 Qd4=] **21.Nde4** [21.dxc6 Bxc6 22.Nb5 Bxb2=] **21...h6??+–** a blunder – Mark gets a " winning " advantage [21...cxd5 22.Nxd5 Qxb2±] **22.Be3 Qd8 23.Rxf7** Mark has R + N + 2 P's vs Q **23...Qe8** 4.19 [23...Rb8? 24.Nc5 Bxh3! 25.Bf2 b6+– 5.69; 23...b5? 24.cxb5 cxd5 25.Nxd5 Bf5 26.Rxg7 Kxg7 27.Bd4+ Kf8+– 6.69] **24.Rxg7!** Now Mark sacks the exchange, in order later to win the Q **24...Kxg7** Mark has B + N + 2 P's vs Q **25.Bd4+ Kh7 26.Ng5+!** now Mark sacks his N **26...hxg5 27.Rxe8 Rxe8** Mark is down the exchange, but has 2 P's compensation **28.Ne4 Kh6 29.Nc5 cxd5 30.Nxd7 dxc4 31.Bxc4** Mark has 2 B's + P ( passed and on the 6th rank ) vs R **31...Re4 32.Bc3 Rxc4** Mark is down the exchange but has a P compensation **33.Ne5+–** 5.63 Nikota resigns. He has to sack the exchange to fight on., and then his N to stop the promotiong **33...Rxc3 34.bxc3 Nf6 35.c4 Kg7 36.d7 Nxd7 37.Nxd7 Kf7+–** Mark would be up an N **1-0**


**Women's Section**

<u>Rd.</u>	<u>Initial Ranking</u>		<u>Score</u>		<u>Initial Ranking</u>
1	58	Canada	2 - 0 ( 3.5- .5 )	Uganda	113
2	58	Canada	0 - 2 ( 1.5 - 2.5 )	Kazakhstan	37
3	67	Albania	0 - 2 ( 0 - 4 )	Canada	58
4	22	Latvia	2 - 0 ( 3.5 - .5 )	Canada	58
5	58	Canada	2 - 0 ( 4 - 0 )	Syria	87
6	34	Belarus	2 - 0 ( 3.5 - .5 )	Canada	58
7	58	Canada	1 - 1 ( 2 - 2 )	Singapore	64
8	45	Norway	0 - 2 ( 1.5 - 2.5 )	Canada	58
9	58	Canada	1 - 1 ( 2 - 2 )	Montenegro	47
10	39	England	2 - 0 ( 2.5 - 1.5 )	Canada	58
11	54	Venezuela	2 - 0 ( 3 - 1 )	Canada	58











Canada's Total: 10 match points; 23 game points..

I'm sure there was lots of disappointment at the Rd. 11 loss. Venezuela was the type of team the women had to defeat to rise in the rankings – and there were legitimate expectations they could win Rd. 11. But it was not to be – they dropped in the ranking to # 67 ( started at # 58 ). But it was a young team ( average age – 19 years ), with 3 juniors, and 3 players without prior Olympiad experience. Under the circumstances, the result is respectable, and again, our thanks for the fine representation of Canada.

Here are the individual results of the 5 team members:

 <b>67. Canada (CAN / RtgAvg:2054, Captain: Shi, Shao Min / TB1: 10 / TB2: 217)</b>																							
Bo.		Name	Rtg	FE D	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Pt s.	Gam es	Rp	w	w-e	w-we	K	rtg+ /-
1	WI M	Yuan Yuanling	2189	CA N	1	0	1	½	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	7,5	11	2271	6,5	4,43	2,07	15	31,0
2	WI M	Kagrama nov Dina	2086	CA N	1	1	1	0	1	0	½	0		1	5,5	9	2111	4,5	3,50	1,00	5	15,0	
3		Lacau-Rodean Iulia	2024	CA N	½	½	0	1	0	0		1	½	0	3,5	9	1908	3	3,32	0,32	5	-4,8	
4		Orlova Yelizaveta	1917	CA N	1		1	0	½	1	0		0	0	3,5	8	1915	2,5	2,18	0,32	5	4,8	
5		Kagrama nov Dalia	1866	CA N		0	1		1	0	1	0	0		3,0	7	1810	2	2,21	0,21	5	-3,2	

The top finishers in the Olympiad in the Open Section were:

Final Ranking after 11 Rounds - Open												
Rk.	SNo	Team	Team	Games	+	=	-	TB1	TB2	TB3	TB4	
1	2	 <a href="#">Ukraine</a>	UKR	11	8	3	0	19	380,5	31,0	143,00	
2	1	 <a href="#">Russia 1</a>	RUS1	11	8	2	1	18	379,5	28,0	157,00	
3	11	 <a href="#">Israel</a>	ISR	11	7	3	1	17	367,5	29,0	148,00	
4	5	 <a href="#">Hungary</a>	HUN	11	8	1	2	17	355,5	26,5	157,00	
5	3	 <a href="#">China</a>	CHN	11	7	2	2	16	362,0	29,0	147,00	
6	4	 <a href="#">Russia 2</a>	RUS2	11	8	0	3	16	355,0	29,5	144,00	
7	6	 <a href="#">Armenia</a>	ARM	11	7	2	2	16	345,0	27,0	147,00	
8	16	 <a href="#">Spain</a>	ESP	11	7	2	2	16	332,0	28,5	137,00	
9	9	 <a href="#">United States of America</a>	USA	11	7	2	2	16	315,5	27,0	141,00	
10	10	 <a href="#">France</a>	FRA	11	6	4	1	16	311,5	25,0	149,00	

The top finishers in the Women's Section were:

1	1		<a href="#">Russia 1</a>	RUS1	11	11	0	0	22	439,5	34,0	147,00
2	2		<a href="#">China</a>	CHN	11	9	0	2	18	386,5	31,5	146,00
3	4		<a href="#">Georgia</a>	GEO	11	7	2	2	16	384,0	29,0	155,00
4	18		<a href="#">Cuba</a>	CUB	11	8	0	3	16	348,5	30,0	136,00
5	6		<a href="#">United States of America</a>	USA	11	7	2	2	16	336,5	28,5	140,00
6	10		<a href="#">Poland</a>	POL	11	7	2	2	16	336,0	29,5	132,00
7	26		<a href="#">Azerbaijan</a>	AZE	11	8	0	3	16	320,0	28,0	136,00
8	12		<a href="#">Bulgaria</a>	BUL	11	7	2	2	16	296,5	24,5	147,00

Here are 2 interesting games from the Olympiad ( you can play them over in the accompanying database ):

### **Shirov, Alexei (2749) – Jobava, Baadur (2710) [B12]**

39th Olympiad Men Khanty–Mansiysk RUS (10.4), 01.10.2010

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.Nf3 e6 5.Be2 Ne7 6.0-0 Bg6 7.Nbd2 Nf5 8.g4 Ne7 9.Nh4 c5 10.c3 Nbc6 11.Nb3 c4 12.Nd2 h5 13.g5 Nf5 14.Ndf3 Be7 15.Kh1 b5 16.Nxf5 Bxf5 17.Nh4 Be4+ 18.f3 Bh7 19.Rg1 b4 20.g6 Bxh4 21.gxh7 g6 22.cxb4 Qb6 23.Be3 Nxe5 24.b3 cxb3 25.axb3 Nd7 26.b5 Rxh7 27.Ra6 Qb7 28.Qc2 Nb8 29.Rxg6 fxc6 30.Rxe6+ Kd8 31.Qxg6 Qf7 32.Bg5+ Bxg5 33.Qxg5+ Kc8 34.Qxd5 Rg7 35.Bc4 Qg8 36.Rc6+ Nxc6 37.Qxc6+ Kb8 38.Qd6+ Kc8 39.Bxg8 Rxc8 40.d5 h4 41.Qc6+ Kb8 42.d6 Rc8 43.Qd5 h3 44.Kg1 1-0

### **(Ivanchuk, Vassily (2754) – Vachier–Lagrave, Maxime (2721) [A15]**

39th Olympiad Men Khanty–Mansiysk RUS (10.1), 01.10.2010

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.Qb3 Nb6 6.d4 Bg7 7.Bf4 Be6 8.Qa3 0-0 9.e3 N8d7 10.Rd1 a5 11.Ng5 Bd5 12.e4 Bc4 13.h4 Bxf1 14.Kxf1 Nf6 15.Qc5 c6 16.Nf3 e6 17.Qd6 Nc4 18.Qxd8 Rfxd8 19.b3 Na3 20.Be5 Ng4 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Ke2 h5 23.Rd2 Nf6 24.Rc1 Ne8 25.Na4 Nd6 26.Ke3 Nab5 27.Ne5 Nc7 28.f3 Nce8 29.Nb6 Ra6 30.Nbd7 Raa8 31.Nc5 Nc7 32.Rcd1 Ra7 33.Rc1 Raa8 34.Ned3 Rab8 35.Nf4 Rh8 36.Rcc2 Nde8 37.Kf2 Nf6 38.Nfd3 Nfe8 39.Ne5 Nd6 40.Ned7 Rbd8 41.Nb6 Rhe8 42.Ke3 Ncb5 43.a4 Nc7 44.Rb2 Re7 45.b4 axb4 46.Rxb4 Na6 47.Rbb2 Nc7 48.Rdc2 Kh6 49.Kf2 Na8 50.Nc4 Nxc4 51.Rxc4 b6 52.Nd3 c5 53.a5 Rxd4 54.Rxd4 cxd4 55.axb6 Rb7 56.Ne5 Rxb6 57.Ra2 Nc7 58.Ra7 Rb2+ 59.Kg3 Rc2 60.Nxf7+ Kg7 61.Ne5 Kf6 62.Kf4 Ke7 63.g3 Rc5 64.Rb7 Kd6 65.Rb6+ Ke7 66.g4 hxg4 67.fxg4 g5+ 68.hxg5 Rb5 69.Rc6 Rb7 70.Rc4 Nb5 71.Rc8 Nc3 72.Rh8 Ne2+ 73.Kf3 Rb5 74.g6 Ng1+ 75.Kg2 Rxe5 76.g7 Rg5 77.g8Q Rxg8 78.Rxg8 d3 79.Ra8 d2 80.Ra1 Ne2 81.Rd1 Nc3 82.Rxd2 Nxe4 83.Re2 Ng5 84.Kg3 Kf6 85.Kh4 Kg6 86.Re3 Kh6 87.Ra3 Kg6 88.Ra8 Nf3+ 89.Kg3 Ne5 90.Ra6 Kg5 91.Ra5 1-0

### **1962-3 Scarborough Chess Club Championship**

( submitted by freelancer David Cohen )

In March 1954, the Chess Federation of Canada published its first Rating List of 376 Canadian chess players. The project was actually begun in 1952. In 1953, the CFC's first Ratings Statistician, Phil Haley, obtained from Kenneth Harkness, the business manager of the United States Chess Federation, a list of over 200 Canadians who had played in the States and obtained US ratings. The initial Canadian list was topped by Frank Anderson and Abe Yanofsky, both rated 2440.

Harkness had created the ratings system in 1950; it wasn't until 1960 that Arpad Elo improved it. Meanwhile, Haley set about producing the first 'made in Canada' list. He gathered together all of the Canadian tournaments he could, and created the second list for the 1955 CFC Annual Meeting. This began the tradition of the chess rating period following the CFC's year, which ran from Annual Meeting to Annual Meeting. These were typically held in the summer (once the Canadian Open Championship got started in 1956). So, the annual rating cycle also followed the natural cycle of the local chess club, which typically starts up each fall. The October 1955 list had 780 names!

After the 1955 CFC Annual Meeting, Haley turned the post over to Adrian van Lieshout of Smithers, B.C. He would hold the post for many years, maintaining records every bit as meticulous as Haley's. Scarborough Chess Club was founded in 1960. In my previous article, I reported on the introductory SCC Championship, held in 1961. TD Alex Knox followed up this success with the Scarborough Spring Swiss, with 11 players competing in 6 rounds from March 28 - May 9. First place with identical +5 -1 scores, in tie-break order, were Alexander Knox, Frank Reilley and Ronald Maynard. TD Knox concluded his report by stating "... and so ended another fine tournament."

Knox then appears to have turned the TD duties over to Ted Tebbs. Unfortunately, no events were submitted for CFC rating in the 1961-2 Club year. During the 1962-3 Club year, four events were submitted. The SCC Easter Invitational was a 21 player, 8 round Swiss, held in April. R. Turkevich and Dusan Kustudic shared first with identical scores of +5 =2 -1. From December, 1962 through April, 1963, the SCC Rating tournament was held, with 16 players competing over 6 rounds. Howard Ridout won with a perfect score.

The 1962-3 SCC Championship ran from September, 1962 through February, 1963, in three sections. The Champion from Class A was Andrew Pressburger, who dominated the 12 player Round Robin with +10 -1, losing only to second place finisher Howard Ridout (+8 =1 -2). Class B was also a 12 player RR: B. Bockfeldt won a playoff over Dusan Kustudic, after both scored +10 =1. Class C was an 8 player RR: Lloyd Zimmerman won with +5 =2. Overall, there were two female competitors.

The 1962-3 season wrapped up with the SCC Rating Tournament, designed to obtain ratings for unrated players. In effect, it was a Team Scheveningen: Rated's vs. Unrated's. Top score was by rated player Ronald Maynard, who won all 12 of his games, beating every unrated player.

### **Toronto Thanksgiving Day Open**

( Report by Alex Ferreira )

Congrats to Bindi Cheng for winning the tournament with 5.0/6, conceding draws only to Nikolay Noritsyn and Leonid Gerzhoy. 2-3 with 4.5/6 were Noritsyn & Victor Plotkin.

### **SCC – Who Are We??**

This is a series, in each Issue, where we introduce to our subscribers, the members who make up SCC, the friendliest chess club in Canada ! This Issue we introduce

## **Gord Marcille**

### 'Introduction to the challenging game of Chess'

I first experienced the wonderful game of Chess while watching the science fiction television show called Star Trek. I was in my late teens and I watched Captain Kirk have a match with his first officer, named Mr. Spock. Spock was from the planet called Vulcan. The Chess Board had three levels and I guess this was my first insight into this game.

I also remember the 1972 World Chess Championship between Bobby Fischer and Boris Spassky. I also remember watching movies where many heroes or villains were playing Chess.

One of the scenes that come to mind is in the movie, 'Casablanca'. Humphrey Bogart was studying the Chess board while Sam was playing at the piano in the Bar.

I bought my first Chess board set at Consumers Retail store in 1975. I studied the pieces and the moves of Chess during that time. I also purchased a few books on Beginners Chess which gave me an insight into opening moves and other moves on the board.

I well remember a freezing day in January 1977 when I was down at Yonge and Gould streets in Toronto. This was before the cement Chess tables were installed on the street. Joseph Smolij was sitting in the doorway of a store with his milk cartons to hold the chess board and pieces on.

He would haul all of his Chess equipment with a grocery cart to the spot that he would play.

I met Joe that day. He reminded me of the character from history called Gregorian Rasputin, (long grey beard, Hungarian accent). He asked if I would be interested in playing a game of Chess. I sat down on a milk carton, agreed to the 50 cent a game price and the setting of his Chess clock for five minutes.

He told me that when I see the red flag drop, then I lose. I agreed and we played a few moves. It did not take much time before I was defeated. He asked quickly for his 50 cents. I continued to play over a number of years with Joe and I can assure you that he took every one of the 50 cent games. He raised it to a \$1:00 a game some years later.

I give credit to Joe Smolij for making me the Chess player that I have become. He tutored me along the way especially about different tactics within the game. He taught me about castling, forking with Knights, controlling the four centre squares on the board, open files, back ranks and many other aspects.

He was my inspiration for loving and enjoying the game.

I think many Chess players who knew him would agree he put Chess on the map in Downtown Toronto. Many people would gather around Joe and others at the corner of Yonge and Gould to watch the games. The City of Toronto had permanent tables placed at the Square during the 1980's right up until a few years ago when Sam the Record Store was closed.

In 1990, I heard of a Chess Club at Porter Collegiate, which is located at St. Clair and Warden Avenues. I went to enquire and met Maurice Smith in the cafeteria. He was



the President of this Chess Club. We both sat down and had a few games of Chess. We talked about Chess and I became a member of the Scarborough Chess club that very night.

I had to stop playing for a few years because my work had changed my schedule to evenings. It was impossible to attend the Club or make the Tournaments.

I now have a new work schedule and this begins my second year at the Scarborough Chess Club. It is really great to see a lot of the regular players going back to the 1990's.

In closing, I give Maurice Smith my utmost respect for keeping Chess alive and bringing people who love the game together over the years. I enjoy my membership at the Scarborough Chess Club and believe it is one of the best Clubs in Canada.

### **Rick's Chess Trivia**

( questions/presentations researched by our columnist Rick Garel,



former SCC Executive, former SCC member, Orillia CC President )

Last Issue's Chess Trivia was the **Question:**

Chess is considered by one, the second most elaborate waste of human intelligence. What is the most elaborate? Who said this?

**Rick's Answer** is:

Most Elaborate Waste of Human Intelligence : Advertising !

Speaker: Raymond Chandler, in The Long Goodbye, said: [ “ Chess ] is as elaborate a waste of human intelligence as you could find anywhere outside an advertising agency. “

**Bragging Rights Winner** :

SCC member Pino Verde did give the right answer. We are awarding him the bragging rights this Issue – thanks for playing again Pino ( he has submitted a number of answers for prior Issues, and has been one of our prior winners ). But honourable mention must be

given to our freelancer contributor, David Cohen, who also came in with the right answer, but about 24 hrs. after Pino.

**Today's Trivia Question** is:

Which chess player from the past published an edition of Shakespeare's plays?

You can use any resource available to answer the question ! Just find it fast and send it in as fast as you can, by e-mail, to Rick : [rickgarel@gmail.com](mailto:rickgarel@gmail.com) .

The first correct e-mail received wins, and gets bragging rights. Also, we will publish the honoured winner's name in the next newsletter, along with a few details they provide as to their chess experience ( if they wish ), along with Rick's researched answer.

Thanks for playing !!

Chess History is fun !!

Also write Rick if you have any chess trivia questions or presentations you'd like him to consider for his column. He will give credit to the author if he uses your suggestion.

Write Rick Garel : [rickgarel@gmail.com](mailto:rickgarel@gmail.com)

**Chess Trivia Quiz – 2010 Canadian Open**

( Answer will be given at end of this Issue )

**6. Which former world champion is (was)  
also a well known stamp collector?**

- a) Botvinnik
- b) Fischer
- c) Karpov
- d) Kasparov



## SCC'ers at the Canadian Open

SCC was well-represented at the Canadian Open, held in Toronto July 10-18. We had 30 members in attendance, spread throughout the prize groups. Congratulations to all the SCC'ers who were prize winners ( we noted them in the Prize Winners' List in Issue # 11-22 – the 10 most recent Issues are archived on our newsletter website:

<http://scarboroughchess.webhop.net> ).

I did my normal begging at the end of the Open, for games for the newsletter, and actually a few SCC'ers were shamed by my pitiable state, and sent in some games! The last 5 Issues we presented 10 games. We now continue the series with the last 2 games, Thanks to all those who shared their games with us!

In the last round, 2 SCC'ers met. Pepin Manalo



submitted his win over SCC'er Doug Gillis. Pepin managed to go up 2 P's, but then Doug got one of them back. But Doug missed a nice dual attack situation, and Pepin won. Here is the game ( Annotations by Bob Armstrong, using Fritz ):

### **Manalo, Pepin (1932) – Gillis, Doug (1686) [C00]**

Canadian Open Toronto (9), 18.07.2010

1.e4= 0.16 1...e6± [1...e5= For Fritz, the only equalizing move. For all other normal replies, W is given a " slight " advantage. This evaluation is not generally accepted.] 2.c4?!= [2.d4±] 2...d5 3.cxd5 exd5 4.exd5?!± [4.e5 Bb4 5.Qa4+ Nc6=] 4...Qxd5?!= [4...Nf6 5.Nc3 Nxd5±] 5.Nc3 Qa5 6.Bc4 Nc6 7.Nf3?!± [7.Qb3 Ne5 8.Be2 Nf6=] 7...Bg4 8.Qe2+ Be7?!= [8...Nge7 9.Qe3 0-0-0±] 9.Bb5 a6?!± [9...Kf8 10.Bxc6 bxc6 11.d3 Qh5=] 10.Bxc6+ bxc6 11.h3?!= [11.d4 Qf5 12.Bd2 Kf8±] 11...Bh5?!± Pepin gets a " clear " advantage [11...Qh5 12.b3 Rd8=] 12.0-0 Nf6?!+- Pepin gets a " winning " advantage [12...0-0-0 13.Qe4 Bd6±] 13.d4?!± [13.g4 Bg6 14.Re1 Ng8+-] 13...Bxf3 14.Qxf3 0-0 15.Qxc6 Pepin goes up a P 15...Bd6 16.Bd2?!± Pepin is losing his advantage [16.Re1 Rab8 17.Re2 Rb4±] 16...Qf5?!± [16...Qb4 17.Bg5 Qxd4±] 17.Rfe1 Qd3 18.Be3 Rab8 19.Rad1 Qg6 20.Re2 Rfe8?!+- Pepin gets back his " winning " advantage [20...Ng4! 21.Qf3 (21.hxg4?? Bh2+ 22.Kxh2 Qxc6-) 21...Nxe3 22.Qxe3 Rfd8±] 21.Qxa6 Pepin goes up 2 P's 21...Ne4 1.75 [21...Nd5 22.Qd3 (22.Nxd5?? Bh2+ 23.Kxh2 Qxa6±) 22...Nxc3 23.Qxc3 Qh5+- 1.78] 22.Qd3 Nxc3 23.Qxc3 f5 24.Qc4+ Kh8 25.f4 1.55 [25.Bc1 Rxe2 26.Qxe2 Re8+- 1.93] 25...Qg3 26.Rde1 Rxb2?!+- 4.09 Pepin is up a P [26...Re4 27.Bc1 Bxf4 28.Bxf4 Qxf4 29.Rxe4 fxe4+- 1.71] 27.Qc6?!+- 2.42 [27.Rxb2?? Qxe1+ 28.Qf1 Qxe3+ 29.Kh1 Bxf4+-; 27.Bf2 Rxe2 28.Bxg3 Rxe1+ 29.Bxe1 Bxf4+- 9.25] 27...Rbb8?!+- 8.02 allowing a dual attack, one being on the Q [27...Rg8 28.Bf2 Qa3 29.Re8 Qxa2 30.Rxg8+ Kxg8 31.Re8+ Bf8+- 2.42] 28.Bf2 Rxe2 29.Bxg3+- 9.13 1-0

In Rd. 8, expert SCC'er Andrew Picana,



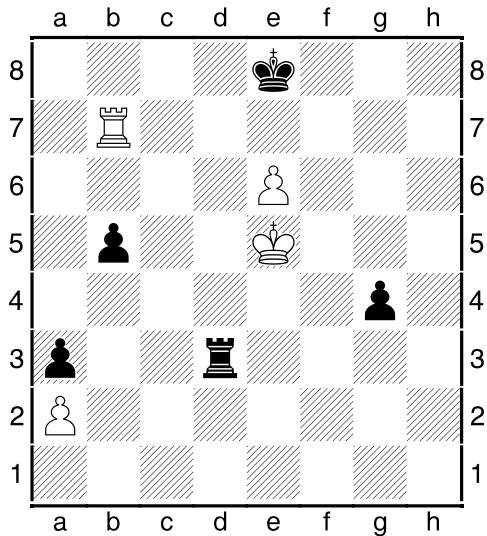
who recently won the Reserves section of the 2010-11 Club Championship, played junior master Arthur Calugar. Arthur got the advantage early, but Andrew hung on, and got back to equality in the middle game and battled equal for quite a while, and even got a "clear" advantage. Then the game went back to equality, until on move 77, in the ending, Andrew grabbed a poisoned P and was finished. A good battle by Andrew. Here is the game ( Annotations by Bob Armstrong, using Fritz ):

### **Picana, Andrew (2117) – Calugar, Arthur (2372) [A16]**

Canadian Open Toronto (8), 17.07.2010

**1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 d5 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.g3 g6?!± [4...Nxc3 5.bxc3 e5=] 5.Bg2 Nb6 [5...Nxc3 6.bxc3 Bg7±] 6.d3 Bg7 7.Be3 Nc6 8.Qd2?!= [8.Nf3 h6 9.Qc1 Be6±] 8...Nd4 [8...h6 9.Nf3 Nd5=] 9.Nf3 e5 [9...Nxf3+?! 10.Bxf3 h5±] 10.h4 h6 11.Rc1?!± [11.0-0-0 Qe7 12.Kb1 c6=] 11...Nf5?!± [11...f5 12.b4 c6±] 12.Bc5 Be6 13.b3 Nd6?!± Andrew gets a "clear" advantage [13...Nd7 14.Ba3 Nd6±] 14.Nh2?= [14.h5 gxh5 15.d4 exd4 16.Nxd4 0-0±] 14...Qd7 15.Nf1 0-0 16.h5 g5 17.Ne3 f5 18.Ned5?± Arthur gets a "clear" advantage [18.g4 fxg4 19.0-0 Qf7=] 18...Nxd5 19.Nxd5 c6?!± [19...Rac8 20.d4 e4 21.Nc3 Rce8±] 20.Ne3?!± [20.Nc3 Rfe8 21.0-0 b6±] 20...Rf7 21.Bxd6 Qxd6 22.Nc4 Qe7 23.Na5?!-+ Arthur gets a "winning" advantage [23.0-0 f4 24.a4 Raf8±] 23...f4 24.gxf4 exf4 25.Be4 Bf5 26.Rc4 Qe5 27.Bxf5 Qxf5 28.b4 g4 29.Rc5 Qe6 30.Nb3 Re8 31.Kd1 g3 32.f3 Rfe7 33.Rc2 Qd6 – 3.31 34.Re1 b6 35.Rc4 g2 36.Re4 – 2.52 [36.e4 fxe3 37.Qe2 Rf8+ – 2.96] 36...Rxe4 37.dxe4?+ – 4.46 [37.fxe4 Qe5 38.Rg1 Qxh5+ – 2.77] 37...Qf6 38.Nc1?+ – 6.15 [38.Qc1 Qh4 39.Kc2 Qf2+ – 4.85] 38...Qd4?+ – 3.05 [38...Rd8 39.Nd3 Qd4+ – 8.51] 39.e3 Qc4?+ – 1.80 [39...Qf6 40.Nd3 Rd8+ – 3.18] 40.Qd3 Qxb4 Arthur goes up a P 41.Rg1 Qe7?!± [41...fxe3 42.Rxg2 Qc5+] 42.Qb3+ Kh8 43.Rxg2 material equality 43...Rd8+ 44.Rd2 Rf8 45.exf4 Rxf4 46.Qd3 Rf8 47.Ne2 Qf7?= Andrew has gotten back to equality, both materially and on evaluation [47...Qe5 48.f4 Qa1+ 49.Kc2 Qxa2+ 50.Kc1 Qf7±] 48.Ng3 [48.f4 Qxh5 49.Kc1 Qc5+ 50.Kb1 Qb4+ 51.Kc1 b5=] 48...Be5 49.Nf5 Qxh5 Arthur goes up a P 50.Qe3 Qg5 51.Qxg5 hxg5 52.Rd7 a5 53.Ke2 Rf6 54.Ne3 Rd6 55.Rf7?!± [55.Rb7 Bc3 56.Rb8+ Kh7=] 55...Bf4 [55...Rd4?! 56.Ng4 Bg7=] 56.Rb7 b5 57.Re7?!± Arthur gets back a "clear" advantage [57.a4 bxa4 58.Ra7 Rh6±] 57...Kg8 [57...Rd4 58.a3 Kg8±] 58.e5 Rd8 [58...Rh6?! 59.Nf5 Kf8 60.Kd3**

a4] **59.e6 Bxe3?**= Andrew gets back to equality again [59...Bd6 60.Rf7 Re8] **60.Kxe3 Rd6?!±** Andrew gets back the advantage [60...Kf8 61.Rf7+ Ke8=] **61.Ke4 Kf8 62.Rf7+ Ke8 63.Ke5** AP – Here I got excited over the position and made the wrong move on this 63rd move. I should have played 63.Kf5 and could win the game easily. As they say, when you have found the good move, stop and think again, and maybe you will find a better move. [ BA – Fritz finds nothing wrong with Andrew's move; also Andrew may be overly optimistic that he already has a win – Fritz rates Kf5 only a " slight " advantage ] [63.Kf5 Rd2 (63...Rd3?! 64.f4 gxf4 65.Rh7 Kd8±) 64.Kxg5 Re2±] **63...Rd3?!±** AP – this is what I overlooked for Black [ BA – Fritz considers this a bad move; Andrew gets a " clear " advantage ] [63...Rd5+ 64.Kf6 Rd4 65.Kxg5 Rd6±] **64.Ke4?**= here is Andrew's mistake, losing his advantage [64.f4 gxf4 65.Rh7 Re3+ 66.Kf6 Kd8±] **64...Ra3 65.Ra7 a4 66.Rc7** [66.f4 gxf4 67.Ke5 Rh3=] **66...Kd8** [66...Rxa2 67.Rxc6 Re2+ 68.Kf5 Re3] **67.Rd7+ Ke8 68.Rc7 Kd8** [68...Rxa2 69.Ke5 (69.Rxc6?! g4 70.fxg4 b4) 69...Rf2=; 68...g4 69.fxg4 Rxa2 70.Ke5 b4=] **69.Rd7+ Ke8 70.Rg7?!±** [70.Rc7?! Rxa2 71.Rxc6 (71.Ke5 Rf2 72.Kd6 (72.Rxc6?! a3 73.Rc8+ Ke7 74.Rc7+ Kf8 75.Rc8+ Kg7 76.Kf5 (76.e7 Re2+ 77.Kd6 b4) 76...Rxf3+ 77.Kxg5 Re3) 72...Rd2+ 73.Ke5 Rd3±) 71...g4 72.fxg4 b4; 70.Ke5 Rxa2 71.Ra7 Rf2 72.f4 (72.Ra8?! Ke7 73.Ra7+ Kd8) 72...Rxf4=] **70...Rc3?!=** [70...Rxa2 71.Ke5 Re2+ 72.Kf6 Kd8 73.Ra7 c5] **71.Rb7 a3 72.Ke5 Re3+ 73.Kd6 Rd3+ 74.Kxc6 Rxf3 75.Kd6 Rd3+ 76.Ke5 g4**



**77.Rxb5??+** the losing move; Andrew grabs a poisoned P; material equality, but Andrew is lost. [77.Rb8+] **77...g3 78.Rb8+ Rd8 79.Rb3** – 5.71 [79.Rb1 g2 80.Kf6 Rc8+ – 5.71] **79...g2 80.Rg3 Rd2+** – 9.25 0-1

## SCC Juniors Coming to the Top

### Top Female

1 Yuan, Yuanling ON 2382

### Top Under 16 years

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2 Yuan, Yuanling 16 ON 2382

### Top Under 12 years

- 1
- 2
- 3 Song, Michael 11 ON 2054
- 4 Lin, Tony (Juntao) 12 ON 1925

### **Top Under 10 years**

- 1 Bellissimo, Joseph 10 ON 1862
- 2 Zhang, Yuanchen 9 ON 1830
- .....
- 8 Liu, Jiaxin 9 ON 1478

### **SCC Howard Ridout Memorial Swiss**

This first swiss tournament of the season runs for 6 rounds, from Thursday, Sept. 9 to October 21 ( since there was no meeting on Oct. 7 – we couldn't get the hall ).

For this tournament, we have a total of 88 registrations. This is consistent with the turnout we were getting from Jan. – June, last season.

The registrations for the three sections are:

- Over 2000 - 20 registrations ( headed by 5 masters and 3 former masters )
- Under 2000 ( to 1700 ) – 35 registrations
- Under 1700 – 33 registrations

After 5 rounds, the leaders are:

- Over 2000 – 1. 4 pts. – Dave Southam
- 2. 3.5 pts. – Erwin Casareno

- Under 2000 ( to 1700 ) – 1. 4.5 pts. – Ferdinand Cale
- 2/4 4 pts. – Mike Conte; Magas Yusuf; Paul Corvo.

- Under 1700 – 1. 5 pts. – Tom Muir
- 2/3. 4 pts. – Andrew Philip; Steve Karpik

Games are collected each week (the white score sheet is handed in; the player gets the yellow carbon ) – this is mandatory on all members. But there will be no games of this tournament sent out to members in database format, nor published, until the tournament has concluded ( due to the SCC policy, adopted at the September 2009-10 SCC AGM, concerning score sheets, the games database, and the newsletter. If anyone is interested in finding out about this policy, just e-mail me at [bobarm@sympatico.ca](mailto:bobarm@sympatico.ca) and I will forward to you the policy.)

SCC member Ken Kurkowski and I, as volunteers, enter the SCC games each week into the tournament database, which, as was said, will be sent out to members when the tournament is concluded. I analyze or partly analyze a substantial number of the

games, and from time to time Ken also analyzes a few games for the newsletter and/or the database..

### **Express Your INNER Self !!**

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### **Chess Trivia Quiz – 2010 Canadian Open – Answer**

**6. Which former world champion is (was) also a well known stamp collector?**

- a) Botvinnik
- b) Fischer
- c) Karpov**
- d) Kasparov



**The TORONTO WOMEN'S CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2010**

**WILLOWDALE CHESS CLUB presents this GTCL event.**

*October 19 - November 30*

This will be an eight player round-robin tournament comprising of the eight highest rated players who apply.

The deadline for entries will be 9pm Tuesday, October 12 at the Willowdale Chess Club (4169 Bathurst St., inside Earl Bales Park), where the draw for positions will take place.

A reserve section will be available if 6 or more additional players enter. The event will be CFC rated, and the rating fees will be paid by the GTCL.

CFC membership is required.

**Schedule:** Games will be played on consecutive Tuesdays at 7 pm. at the Willowdale Chess Club (Earl Bales Community Centre at the Earl Bales Park near Bathurst and Sheppard intersection)

**Time control:**

60 minutes for the game with 30 seconds increment from the first move.

**Entry fee:** \$60 payable by 9pm, October 12.

**PRIZES:**

**Championship - 1<sup>st</sup> - \$200 & Trophy  
2<sup>nd</sup> - \$100  
3<sup>rd</sup> - \$ 60**

**Reserve section - 75% of entry fees.**

Entries & Info: Fred Kormendi (416) 223-0126

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NAME.....RATING.....CFC

PHONE.....days .....FIDE

.....evgs



ENTRY FEE \$60 enclosed.

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**The TORONTO SENIOR CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2010**

**WILLOWDALE CHESS CLUB presents this GTCL event.**

*October 26 – December 7*

This will be an eight player round-robin tournament comprising of the eight highest rated players born in 1960 or earlier who apply.

The deadline for entries will be 9pm Tuesday, October 19 at the Willowdale Chess Club (4169 Bathurst St., inside Earl Bales Park), where the draw for position will take place.

A reserve section will be available if 6 or more additional players enter. The event will be CFC rated, and the rating fees will be paid by the GTCL. CFC membership is required.

**Schedule:** Games will be played on consecutive Tuesdays at 7pm at the Willowdale Chess Club (Earl Bales Community Centre at the Earl Bales Park near Bathurst and Sheppard intersection)

**Time control:** 90 minutes for the game.

**Entry fee:** \$20,  
for players born in 1950 or earlier - \$15,  
for players born in 1940 or earlier - \$10.

**PRIZES:** Chess books for top 3 finishers & Trophy for the winner.

Chess sets and boards are provided by the Willowdale Chess Club. Please bring your chess clock.

Entries & Info: Fred Kormendi (416) 223-0126

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**TORONTO JUNIOR CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2010**

**“The Knights of Chess” club presents this GTCL event.**

*November 7 – December 19*

This will be an eight player round-robin tournament comprising of the eight highest rated players born on January 1, 1991 or later who apply.

The deadline for entries will be 6 PM Sunday, October 10, 2010 at “The Knights of Chess” club located on 5635 Young street, suites 201-202, Toronto (near Young and Finch intersection), where the draw for positions will take place. A reserve section will be available if 6 or more additional players enter. The event will be CFC and FIDE rated, and the rating fees will be paid by the GTCL. CFC membership is required.

Drinks and snacks will be provided.

**Schedule:** Games will be played on consecutive Sundays at 10 AM at “The Knights of Chess” club  
(Finch subway station TTC parking is free on Sundays)

**Time control:** 90 minutes for the game with 30 seconds increment from the first move.

**Entry fee:** \$65 payable by 6 PM, October 10, 2010.

**Prizes:**

**Championship (95% of entry fees)**

**1<sup>st</sup> - \$200 & Trophy**

**2<sup>nd</sup> - \$100**

**3<sup>rd</sup> - \$60**

**Reserve section (75% of entry fees).**

Entries & Info: Vladimir Birarov (416) 277-4428

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ENTRY FEE \$65 enclosed.

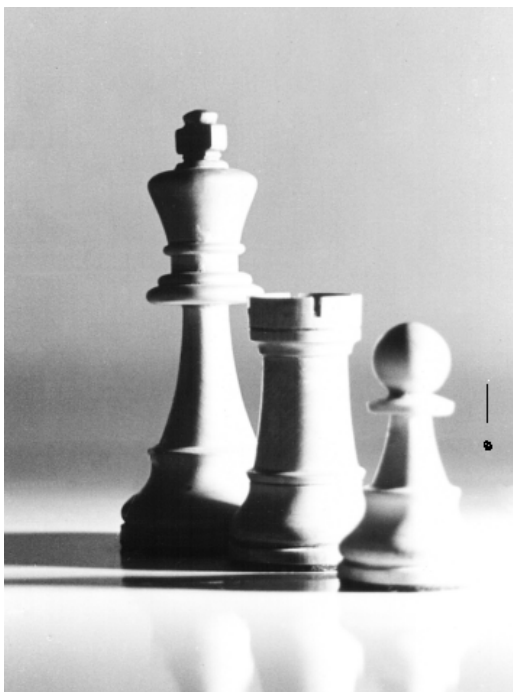
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Members enjoy an evening at SCC !



( picture by Erik Malmsten )

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