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Olympiad Team Photos – Issue # 9 – 23

Hi to all Subscribers:

SCTCN&V has been contacted by the CFC. We inadvertently improperly used the Canadian Olympiad Team photos in our last newsletter. We did not seek the permission of the CFC, nor did we give credit in the article to the CFC. We have retroactively been given permission on condition of so advising our readers, and correcting our website version to give credit.

We are pleased to comply with their request, and thank them for the retroactive permission.

Our only goal in reproducing the website was to promote the Canadian Olympiad teams, but this should have been done properly.

We apologize for the error.

Bob Armstrong, Editor, Scarborough Community of Toronto Chess News & Views

CFC AGM – Issue # 9-23 – A More Balanced View

Our article last Issue focused on the 7 grassroots restructuring motions, and was not meant to be “ minutes “ of the meeting. Hence many details of the meeting were omitted. The article noted that 5 of the 7 grassroots motions were ruled out of order by the chair of the meeting, Maurice Smith, former CFC President, and current SCC V-P.

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However, we were contacted by Maurice, and he felt the role he played in respect of restructuring was skewed somewhat by some of the details of the meeting that were omitted. In order to balance the view of Maurice's role, we are pleased to publish the e-mail we received from him (with his permission):

“ Hi Bob,

Just got the Newsletter and your comments are fair. However, it is what is left out that concerns me. You know the only concrete decisions that were made about restructuring were made by ME! I made the motion to eliminate the magazine. I made the motion to eliminate half the building and get revenue instead. I made the motion to eliminate the book inventory but keep the profit making other supplies. I made these motions to go to GL1 so that other Governors could have a chance to vote. However David Lavin said that we could vote on the leasing right there and it passed unanimously! So I made the motions, some of which you were looking for to some degree to help get things done. None of this was mentioned.

I can send in my comments separately, or if you care to just mention what I have just said, I would leave it in your hands.

Maurice “

Chess Canada – What Happened? We'll Never Know

(posted by Bob Armstrong on ChessTalk on August 12, 2008 – slightly edited)

I, as an ordinary CFC member, contacted Governor Kerry Liles, partly involving questions Governor Ken Craft had raised as a Governor, and which had not been answered, concerning the termination of the Chess Canada print magazine.

Go to the bottom of the following list of e-mails, and read up to the August 8 e-mail from Kerry, and you will get a full record of his dialogue with President David Lavin on my 2 questions (since David did not answer Kerry's question whether the e-mails could be published, I am assuming information is to be shared , unless declared otherwise):

August 4, 2008

Bob, here is the dialogue I have had with David Lavin... I think we have reached the end of the dialogue.

He has had several opportunities to answer your questions and apparently has no better answer. Sorry.

Kerry

-----Original Message-----

From: David [mailto:davidfl321@yahoo.ca]
Sent: August 3, 2008 10:17 PM
To: kerryliles@rogers.com
Subject: Re: Information request for CFC Executive

I believe I answered your question to the best of my ability.

----- Original Message -----

From: Kerry Liles <kerryliles@rogers.com>
To: David <davidfl321@yahoo.ca>
Sent: Sunday, August 3, 2008 9:52:18 PM
Subject: RE: Information request for CFC Executive

David, I had sent an earlier reply indicating that I was looking for permission to pass on your comments to the member who asked the question. I have not received any reply. I would very much like a simple yes or no on that question.

Concerning the original question(s) from the member, it seems they are simple enough. Are the answers known? I think these are legitimate questions concerning a very important aspect of the operation of the CFC.

regards,

Kerry Liles
OCA Treasurer
CFC Governor

-----Original Message-----

From: David [mailto:davidfl321@yahoo.ca]
Sent: July 30, 2008 8:31 PM
To: kerryliles@rogers.com; Chess Federation of Canada
Cc: stijn@rogers.com; lcraver@chess.ca; cmallon@chess.ca; ellennadeau@yahoo.ca;
Michael Barron; Hal Bond
Subject: Re: Information request for CFC Executive

Dear Kerry:

It must be incredibly frustrating for you to face disgruntled members who have legitimate questions, and to be able to offer them very few answers. Of course, you want to reassure them but for some time the Governor's questions and concerns have also gone unanswered. I have been away from chess for some time and as I try to uncover the mysteries of the CFC. I find that one question leads to two, which leads to four, which leads to an impenetrable morass of conflicting information, curious opinions, and well-intentioned mistakes.

The most valuable resource we can all offer to the CFC is our time and goodwill. I have limited time to devote to the CFC, and have decided that I will devote all of it to the future of the organization, rather than to unravelling the mysteries of past decisions. To that end, I can say that much has been accomplished since the AGM in Montreal. If I can ask you to be patient a little longer, I should have the business plan for the Governor's to review prior to the end of the August.

Sincere best wishes,

David Lavin

----- Original Message -----

From: Kerry Liles <kerryliles@rogers.com>

To: Chess Federation of Canada <info@chess.ca>

Cc: davidfl321@yahoo.ca; stijn@rogers.com; lcraver@chess.ca; cmallon@chess.ca; ellennadeau@yahoo.ca; Michael Barron <barron045@yahoo.com>; Hal Bond <halbond@rogers.com>

Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2008 10:39:12 AM

Subject: Information request for CFC Executive

To the Executive of the CFC:

I have received an inquiry from a CFC member in Ontario. He has the following questions and has been stymied in getting any information in any public forum and would like a response from the CFC:

1. Who authorized the discontinuance of the Chess Canada magazine and when and why?
2. Has there been a formal notice to the other party to the magazine contract (Is that TKS, Robert Hamilton, or some other party?) cancelling the magazine contract?

I would appreciate a formal reply to these legitimate questions as soon as practical.

If I have inadvertently omitted any of the Executive from this email, please forward it to them on my behalf (and please let me know who I overlooked!).

regards,

Kerry Liles
CFC Governor (Ontario)
OCA Treasurer
(start reading e-mails up from here)

Having read the e-mail from President Lavin, I have to say I am not satisfied. My 2

questions very much concern issues of importance to the CFC membership, even if they refer to events past.

I take it from David's e-mail, that he started to investigate the answers to the questions, and his inquiry got bogged down (it would seem to me that the answers should be easy to locate - the questions are simple). So he decided that working on the future was more important than answering a CFC member's legitimate questions about past Executive (??) decisions that affected his membership.

I guess anything that happened in the past is now closed as far as any explanations are concerned !? Convenient - but not " communication ". It seems a new regime is now in place, with the new Executive. Not sure I like its initial response to members.

Does the answer seem legitimate to you??

Bob

A Pictorial Report on the 2008 Canadian Open

(Pics thanks to SCC Member Mario Moran-Venegas)



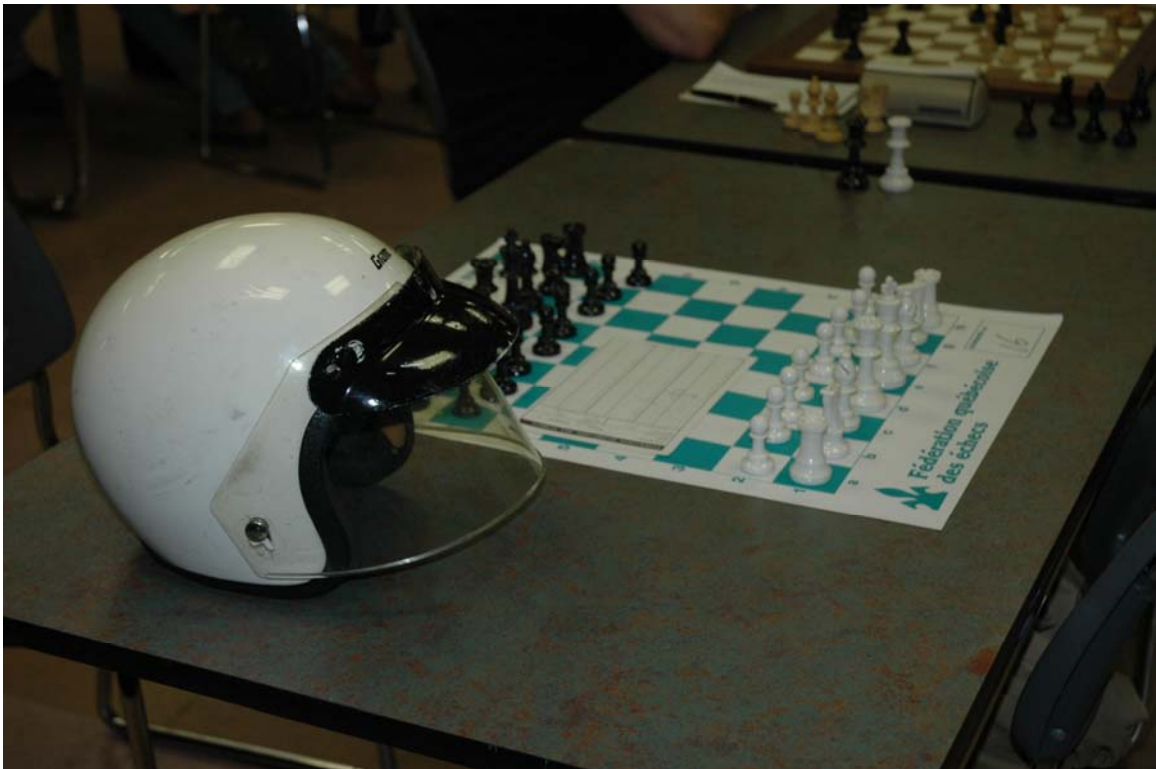
Open Section Playing Hall (above & below)



U 2000 Playing Area



U 1700 and U 1400 Playing Area



Ready to Begin



The Young Play Chess in Greater Numbers



You Can Play Chess Into Later Years (veteran GM Borislav Ivkov)



Women Continue to Make Inroads into Chess - An Attractive U 2400 Participant









Have to CONCENTRATE ! – Torontonion Shiyam Thavandiran (on left - former CFC junior) causing grief.

Biel, Switzerland GM Tournament

The 41st Biel International Chess Festival took place from July 20th - 31st, 2008. The Grandmaster Tournament was a category 18 event with an average rating of 2686. The final standings were (from ChessBase):

Final standings

41st Festival GM 2008				1	2	3	4	5	6		
1		Dominguez Perez,L	2708 +82	**	½1	½½	1 0	½1	½1	6.5 / 10	29.50
2		Alekseev,Evgeny	2708 +82	½0	**	½1	1 0	½1	1 1	6.5 / 10	26.75
3		Carlsen,M	2775 -35	½½	½0	**	1 ½	½½	1 1	6.0 / 10	
4		Bacrot,E	2691 +29	0 1	0 1	0 ½	**	½1	1 ½	5.5 / 10	
5		Onischuk,AI	2670 -50	½0	½0	½½	½0	**	1 ½	4.0 / 10	
6		Pelletier,Y	2569 -159	½0	0 0	0 0	0 ½	0 ½	**	1.5 / 10	









In the tiebreak Alekseev won the second blitz game to take overall victory.

The North Urals Cup, Russia

The North Urals Cup took place from July 26th - August 3rd 2008 in Krasnoturinsk, Russia. It is the strongest women's tournament ever (category 11, Elo average 2522), with the players Xu Yuhua (China), Humpy Koneru (India), Antoaneta Stefanova (Bulgaria), Pia Cramling (Sweden), Marie Sebag (France), Anna Muzychuk (Slovenia), Anna Ushenina (Ukraine) and Natalya Pogonina (Russia).

The final standings were (from ChessBase):

Final standings

				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
1	 Stefanova,A	2550	+70	*	½	1	½	1	0	½	1	4.5/7	
2	 Ushenina,A	2476	+102	½	*	½	1	½	0	1	½	4.0/7	13.75
3	 Sebag,M	2530	+41	0	½	*	½	1	1	½	½	4.0/7	13.00
4	 Xu Yuhua	2483	+44	½	0	½	*	½	1	½	½	3.5/7	11.75
5	 Koneru,H	2622	-114	0	½	0	½	*	1	½	1	3.5/7	10.75
6	 Cramling,P	2544	-74	1	1	0	0	0	*	½	½	3.0/7	11.25
7	 Muzychuk,A	2504	-29	½	0	½	½	½	½	*	½	3.0/7	10.50
8	 Pogonina,N	2469	-41	0	½	½	½	0	½	½	*	2.5/7	

2008 Edmonton International - Report

FM Raja Panjwani, who came tied for 5th/10th, made his second IM norm in this recently completed tournament in Edmonton. Here are the final standings, showing Raja's record:

3rd Edmonton International

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Tournament Director	Micah Hughey	Finish Date	2008/8/4
Tournament #	200808014	Province	AB

#	Name	Old	Perf	New	High	Results										Tot
1	Moiseenko, Alexander	2650	2708	2661	2661	W	13	D	16	D	6	W	7	W	5	7.0
2	Shabalov, Alex	2625	2653	2630	2631	W	14	L	7	W	18	W	8	W	4	6.5
3	Ganguly, Surya Skekhhar	2609	2584	2604	2645	D	20	W	19	W	16	D	4	D	6	5.5
4	Friedel, Joshua	2524	2537	2537	9	W	12	W	11	D	7	D	3	L	2	5.5

						W 6 D 10 L 1 W 13			
5	Bluvshstein, Mark	2556	2515	2549	2557	D 18 W 20 D 23 W 9 L 1			5.0
						L 3 D 14 W 6 D 2			
6	Hungaski, Robert	2407	2510	2510	9	W 24 D 23 D 1 W 10 D 3			5.0
						L 4 D 8 L 5 W 14			
7	Panjwani, Raja	2370	2494	2392	2392	W 17 W 2 D 4 L 1 L 8			5.0
						D 16 D 19 W 12 D 10			
8	Kraai, Jesse	2485	2483	2484	2485	L 19 W 21 W 12 L 2 W 7			5.0
						L 9 D 6 W 20 D 1			
9	Gerzhoy, Leonid	2444	2451	2447	2461	L 11 W 25 W 19 L 5 W 15			5.0
						W 8 L 2 D 10 D 3			
10	Porper, Eduard	2483	2423	2472	2483	D 21 L 18 W 11 L 6 W 20			5.0
						W 14 D 4 D 9 D 7			
11	Haessel, Dale	2252	2377	2275	2310	W 9 L 4 L 10 W 12 L 14			4.5
						L 19 D 15 W 21 W 20			
12	Reeve, Jeff	2330	2349	2334	2400	L 4 W 17 L 8 L 11 W 21			4.5
						W 15 D 16 L 7 W 19			
13	Peter, Steven	2303	2337	2309	2309	L 1 D 15 L 21 W 25 D 19			4.5
						W 18 D 17 W 16 L 4			
14	Pechenkin, Vladimir	2281	2326	2288	2301	L 2 L 22 W 25 W 21 W 11			4.5
						L 10 D 5 W 17 L 6			
15	Vicary, Elizabeth	2145	2302	2302	9	L 16 D 13 W 20 D 18 L 9			4.5
						L 12 D 11 W 25 W 21			
16	Cheng, Bindi	2377	2341	2369	2386	W 15 D 1 L 3 D 19 D 18			4.0
						D 7 D 12 L 13 D 17			
17	Hughey, Micah	2212	2240	2218	2282	L 7 L 12 W 24 L 20 W 25			4.0
						W 21 D 13 L 14 D 16			
18	Hansen, Eric	2344	2375	2349	2349	D 5 W 10 L 2 D 15 D 16			3.5
						L 13 L 20 W 19 L 0			
19	Huber, Gregory	2347	2302	2339	2385	W 8 L 3 L 9 D 16 D 13			3.5
						W 11 D 7 L 18 L 12			
20	Thavandiran, Shiyam	2408	2272	2385	2408	D 3 L 5 L 15 W 17 L 10			3.5
						W 25 W 18 L 8 L 11			
21	Gardner, Robert J.	2261	2117	2236	2387	D 10 L 8 W 13 L 14 L 12			2.5
						L 17 W 25 L 11 L 15			
22	Mrugala, David	2035	2541	2075	2080	L 0 W 14 L 0 L 0 L 0			2.0
						L 0 L 0 L 0 W 25			
23	Gicev, Blagoj	2367	2489	2376	2382	W 25 D 6 D 5 L 0 L 0			2.0
						L 0 L 0 L 0 L 0			
24	Haynes, Nicolas	2233	1961	2222	2242	L 6 L 0 L 17 L 0 L 0			0.0
						L 0 L 0 L 0 L 0			
25	Bolvary, Tamara	2001	1890	1951	2023	L 23 L 9 L 14 L 13 L 17			0.0
						L 20 L 21 L 15 L 22			

Canadian Amateur Championship, Kitchener

73 players signed up for this 7 round, 4 section swiss held Aug. 1 – 4. The winners were (from the K-W CC website):

Open Section:

#	Name	Rtn g	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Rd 6	Rd 7	Tot	Prize
1	Liam Henry	2268	H--	W7	W5	D3	W4	D2	W9	5.5	300.00
2	Roman Sapozhnikov	2119	D3	W6	W9	L4	W7	D1	W12	5.0	200.00
3	Hugh Siddeley	2037	D2	W11	W7	D1	D5	L4	W10	4.5	50.00
4	Hans Jung	2158	L5	W10	W11	W2	L1	W3	D6	4.5	50.00

U 2000 Section:

#	Name	Rtn g	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Rd 6	Rd 7	Tot	Prize
1	Alex T Ferreira (SCC Member)	1927	W19	D15	W7	W8	W2	W3	W4	6.5	300.00
2	Randy Moysoski (SCC Member)	1864	H---	W11	W18	W4	L1	W9	D5	5.0	150.00
3	Robert Bzikot	1856	W14	L10	W17	W15	W24	L1	W7	5.0	150.00

U 1700 Section:

#	Name	Rtn g	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Rd 6	Rd 7	Tot	Prize
1	Shanker Raman	1658	W4	W2	W5	L3	W6	W8	W10	6.0	300.00
2	Ferdinand Supsup	1632	W13	L1	W8	W11	W3	D5	W6	5.5	150.00
3	Dennis Khaiter	1558	H---	W15	W16	W1	L2	W7	W5	5.5	150.00

U 1400 Section:

#	Name	Rtn g	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Rd 6	Rd 7	Tot	Prize
1	Jonathan Farine	1393	H---	W16	W3	W2	W4	W5	W6	6.5	300.00
2	Frank Lee	1384	W15	W12	W10	L1	L5	W13	W4	5.0	200.00
3	Sasha Chuchin	1153	W4	W6	L1	L5	W8	D11	W10	4.5	100.00

SCC'ers at the 2008 Canadian Open

(1st in a series of 3 articles)

The 2008 Canadian Open took place in Montreal, Quebec, from July 19 – 27. It was a 9 round swiss, in 5 sections, and 330 players were registered, including in the Open Section, 15 GM's.

8 stalwart SCC'ers went to try their skill and luck. They played in 3 different sections. Their results were, in 9 rounds:

Open Section:

40/48 – FM Yuanling Yuan – 3 pts. (1 pt. was a director's 1 pt. bye)

U 2400:

27/53 – Oscar Villalobos – 4.5 pts. (1st round ½ pt. bye due to T.D. error)

U 2000:

- # 8/77 – Bob Armstrong – 6.5 pts.
- # 12/77 – Alex Ferreira – 5.5 pts.
- # 13/77 – Tyler Longo – 5.5 pts.
- # 50/77 – Mario Moran-Venegas – 4 pts.
- # 58/77 – Uwe Hahnewald – 3.5 pts.
- # 60/77 – Michael Perez – 3 pts.

As usual, I begged, pleaded, threatened everyone to give me their “ most interesting “ game from the tournament – it didn’t necessarily have to be a win; a draw or loss was OK if it was interesting and instructive. I will publish the games I received over the next few Issues in this serial article.

Needless to say, I was pleased with my own result, and if I can, I’d like to start with one of my own wins. The game only lasted 27 moves. I developed a strong attack, offered a rook and knight sacrifice (rightly refused by my opponent – he finished # 14/77), and ended up with a mate threat. Here is the game (Annotations by Bob Armstrong, using Fritz):

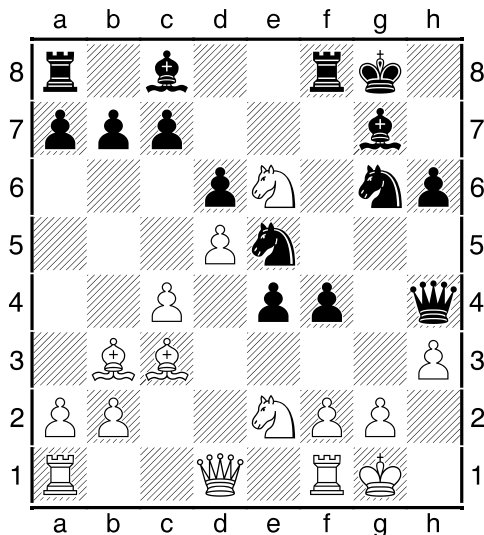


Villeneuve, Benoit (1856) – Armstrong, Robert (1783) [E97]

2008 Canadian Open Montreal (7), 25.07.2008

1.e4± Fritz' evaluation not generally accepted 1...g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.c4= [3.Nc3±] 3...d6 [3...c5?! 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Nh6±] 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.h3 [5.Nf3=] 5...0-0 6.Nf3 Nc6?!± Benoit gets the advantage [6...c5 7.Be3 Qb6 8.Qd2 Nc6=] 7.Be2 e5 8.d5 [8.dxe5 Nxe5 9.Nxe5 dxe5 10.Be3 c6±] 8...Ne7 9.0-0 Nd7 10.Bd3?!= [10.Be3 h6 11.Qc1 Kh7±] 10...h6 11.Bd2 f5 12.exf5?!± I finally get the advantage [12.Be3 a5 13.Bc2 Nf6 14.Rc1 Bd7=] 12...gxf5 13.Bc2 Ng6?!= [13...e4 14.Nh2 Ne5±] 14.Ne2!?!± [14.Be3 Nc5 15.Nd2 Qh4=] 14...e4 15.Nfd4 Nde5 16.Bb3?+- I get a "winning" advantage [16.b3 c5 17.dxc6 bxc6 18.Bc3 Bd7±] 16...Qh4?± [16...f4 17.Ne6 Bxe6 18.dxe6 f3 19.c5 (19.Ng3 Nh4 20.c5 Kh8+- - 2.79) 19...d5 20.Ng3 Kh8+- - 3.36] 17.Bc3?!+- I get the "winning" advantage back [17.f4 exf3 18.Nxf3 Nxf3+ 19.Rxf3 Bxb2±] 17...f4 18.Ne6

Position after 18.Ne6



f3!! breaks up W's defense totally (offering to sack R + N) 19.N2d4?+- - 16.38 [19.Nxf8? fxg2 20.Bxe5 Nxe5 21.Ne6 Qxh3 22.Ng3 gxf1Q+ 23.Nxf1 Nf3+ 24.Qxf3 exf3+- - 22.55; 19.Bxe5 Bxe5 20.Nxf8 fxg2 21.f4 gxf1Q+ 22.Qxf1 Bxh3 23.Qf2 Qg4+ 24.Qg3 Bd4+ 25.Kh1 Qxg3 26.Nxg3 Rxf8+- - 6.55] 19...fxg2 20.Kxg2?+- and it is mate in 11 moves; material equality [20.f4 Bxe6 (20...gxf1Q+ 21.Qxf1 Nxf4 22.Nxf4 Rxf4+- - 23.38)] 20...Bxe6 21.Nxe6 Nf4+?+- - 13.36 I miss the mate [21...Rf3 22.Kg1 Rxh3 23.Qh5 Nf3+ 24.Qxf3 exf3 25.Bxg7 Rh1#] 22.Nxf4 Rxf4 23.Bxe5 - 20.40 and it is mate in 14 moves [23.Qe2 Rf3 24.Rh1 Nd3 25.Kg1 Qg5+ 26.Kf1 Raf8 27.Rh2 Qg3 28.Qxf3 Rxf3 29.Be1 Qxh2 30.Ke2 Rxf2+ 31.Bxf2 Qxf2+ 32.Kd1 Qe1+ 33.Kc2 Nb4#; 23.Be1 Nf3 24.Rh1 Raf8 25.Kf1 Nxe1 26.Qe2 Rxf2+ 27.Kxe1 Rxe2+ 28.Kxe2 Rf2+ 29.Ke1 Qf4 30.Rd1 Qe3#] 23...Bxe5 24.Qe2 Qg5+?+- again I miss the mate [24...Kh8 25.Rfd1 Raf8 26.Rd2 Rg8+ 27.Qg4 Rfxg4+ 28.hxg4 Rxg4+ 29.Kf1 Qh1+ 30.Ke2 Qf3+ 31.Ke1 Rg1#] 25.Kh1 Rh4 26.Qe3 Bf4?+- - 7.69 [26...Qf5 27.Kg2 (27.Rg1+? Kh8 28.Rg5 Rxh3+ 29.Kg2 Rh2+ 30.Kf1 hxg5+- and it is mate in 10 moves) 27...Bf4 28.Qc3 Qg5+ 29.Qg3 Bxg3 30.fxg3 Kh8+- - 19.34] 27.Qc3?+- leads to mate [27.Rg1 Bxe3 28.Rxg5+ Bxg5 29.Re1 Rf8 30.Re2 Rxh3+ 31.Kg2 Rh4+- - 9.54] 27...e3+- Benoit resigned. It is mate 28.Qxe3 Bxe3 29.Kh2 Bf4+ 30.Kh1 Rxh3# 0-1

In the U 2400 section, Oscar Villalobos started off the tournament with a glitch. When Oscar registered for the CO, his rating was in the 1900's, and so he registered for the U 2000 section. But a good tournament at the BGC, which had been delayed in being rated for a while, got rated the Wednesday before the tournament started. It put Oscar

over 2000 for the first time. I told him that as far as I knew, the TD checked everyone's rating against the most recent rating list, and that he would then be moved into the U 2400 section. But when we got there and looked at the pairings, Oscar was still shown as in the U 2000 section. He went to see the TD about it, and was advised that it was then too late to change the pairings, and that in Rd. 1, he would be given a "bye" in the U 2400 section. But he would still play his paired game in the U 2000 section in Rd. 1, so that he and his opponent each had a game. Then he would be withdrawn from the U 2000 section.

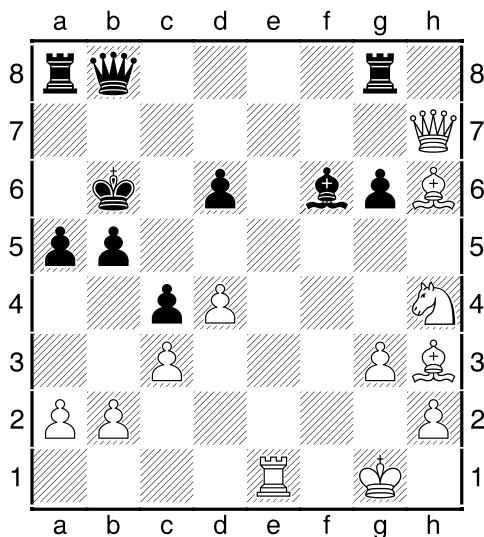
Oscar got a nice win (he almost lost it) against an experienced 2000 player in the U 2400 section. Here it is (Annotations by Bob Armstrong, using Fritz):



Villalobos, Oscar (2028) – Mattson, Dane (2072) [A05]

2008 Canadian Open (U 2400) Montreal (7), 25.07.2008

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.g3 b5?!± [2...d5=] 3.Bg2 Bb7 4.d3 c5 5.0-0 g6?!± Oscar gets an early " clear " advantage [5...e6 6.Nc3 b4 7.Nb1 Be7=] 6.e4?!± [6.d4 cxd4 7.a4 b4±] 6...d6 7.Nh4?!= [7.d4 Nxe4 8.Nfd2 d5 9.Nxe4 dxe4 10.dxc5 Qxd1 11.Rxd1 Bg7±] 7...Qc7 [7...Nc6 8.Nc3 b4 9.Nd5 Bg7=] 8.f4 Nc6 9.Be3 Bg7 10.c3 Nd7 [10...b4 11.Nd2 0-0=] 11.Qd2 [11.Qc2 0-0 12.Nf3 b4=] 11...Na5?!± [11...b4 12.Qc2 0-0=] 12.Na3 a6 13.d4?!= [13.Nc2 e6 14.f5 exf5 15.exf5 Bxg2 16.Qxg2 0-0±] 13...c4?!± [13...0-0 14.b4 cxb4 15.cxb4 Nc4 16.Nxc4 bxc4=] 14.f5 Rg8?!± Oscar gets back his " clear " advantage [14...Bf6 15.Bg5 Bxg5 16.Qxg5 Nf6±] 15.Rae1 Nc6 [15...Bf6 16.Bg5 0-0-0±] 16.Nc2 a5 17.Bh6 Bh8?!+- Oscar gets a " winning " advantage [17...Bf6 18.Ne3 Bxh4 19.gxh4 gxf5 20.Nxf5 0-0-0±] 18.Ne3 Nd8 19.fxg6 hxg6 20.Nd5 Qb8 21.Bh3 e6 22.Qg5 Bxd5 23.exd5 f6?+- 6.85 [23...e5 24.Bf5 Nb6 25.Nxg6! Nxd5+- 4.80] 24.dxe6?+- 4.48 Oscar goes up a P [24.Rxe6+! Nxe6 25.Qe3 Kd8 26.Qxe6 Kc7 27.Qxd7+ Kb6 28.Qc6+ Ka7+- 7.80] 24...Nf8?+- 18.05 [24...Ne5! 25.Rxf6! Bxf6 26.Qxf6 Qc7+- 9.43; 24...fxg5?? 25.exd7#] 25.Rxf6?+- 6.04 an unwarranted sac, and missing the mate; Oscar is up 2 P's [25.Qd5 f5 26.e7 Nde6 27.exf8Q+ Rxf8 28.Qxe6+ Kd8 29.Qe7+ Kc8 30.Nxf5 gxf5 31.Rxf5 Qc7 32.Rxb5+ Rf5 33.Bxf5+ Qd7 34.Qxd7#] 25...Nh7??+- leads to mate in 10 moves [25...Bxf6 26.e7! Nd7 27.Qd5 Nf7 28.Bxd7+ Kxd7 29.Bf8 Ne5 30.e8Q+ Kxe8 31.Bxd6 Qb6+- 16.35] 26.e7?+- 4.00 missing the mate again [26.Rf8+! Nxf8 27.e7 Bxd4+ 28.cxd4 Nfe6 29.exd8Q+ Qxd8 30.Rxe6+ Kd7 31.Rxd6+ Ke8 (31...Kxd6?? 32.Qc5#) 32.Re6+ Kd7 33.Qxb5+ Kc8 34.Rc6#] 26...Bxf6?+- 17.41 Dane takes with the wrong piece; Dane is up R vs 2 P's, temporarily [26...Nxf6 27.exd8Q+ Kxd8 28.Re6 Ra6+- 4.90] 27.exd8Q+?+- 7.80 a weaker continuation, and missing the mate. [27.Qd5 Rh8 28.Nxg6 Bxd4+ 29.cxd4 Nf6 30.exd8Q+ Kxd8 31.Qf7 Ra7 32.Re7 Qc7 33.Rxc7 Rxc7 34.Qxf6+ Ke8 35.Qe6+ Kd8 36.Bg5+ Re7 37.Qxe7#] 27...Kxd8 Dane is up the exchange, but Oscar has a P compensation, and an attack 28.Qd5 Kc7 29.Qf7+?+- 2.59 Oscar's winning advantage is dwindling [29.Bf4 Ra6 30.Qf7+ Kb6 31.Bxd6 Qxd6 32.Re6 Rd8 33.Rxd6+ Rxd6+- 9.39] 29...Kb6 30.Qxh7?!± a blunder – Oscar's Q is trapped; Dane gets back the advantage ! Oscar is up N + B + P vs R [30.Bg2 Qc7 31.Qxc7+ Kxc7 32.Bxa8 Rxa8 33.Nxg6 a4+- 2.72]



30...Bxh4??+- a blunder, missing the win of the Q; Oscar gets back a " winning " advantage [30...Ra7 31.Qxg8 Qxg8±] 31.gxh4?+- 2.23 [31.Bf4 Bf6 32.Bxd6 Qxd6 33.Re6 Qxe6 34.Bxe6 Rg7+- 4.45] 31...Rh8 32.Qe7 Re8 33.Qxe8 Qxe8 34.Rxe8 Rxe8 Oscar is up 2 B's + P vs R 35.Kf2 d5 36.Bg2 Kc6 37.a3 Rb8 38.Bd2 Re8 39.Bf3 Rf8 40.Kg3 Kd6 41.h5 gxh5 Oscar is up 2 B's vs R 42.Bf4+ Ke6 43.Bxh5 Oscar is up 2 B's + P vs R 43...Kf5 44.h3 Rg8+ 45.Bg4+ Ke4 46.h4 Kd3 47.Bc7 b4 48.axb4 axb4 3.86 49.cxb4?+- 2.89 Oscar is up 2 B's + 2 P's vs R [49.Ba5 b3 50.Bb4 Ke4 51.h5 Rd8+- 5.41] 49...Kc2 50.b5 Kxb2 Oscar is up 2 B's + P vs R

51.b6 c3 52.b7 c2 53.Bf4 Kc3 54.Kh3?+- 5.16 missing the mate [54.h5 Kxd4 55.h6 Kc5 56.h7 Rf8 57.Bf5 d4 58.Bxc2 Kc4 59.b8Q Rxb8 60.Bxb8 d3 61.Bd1 Kc5 62.h8Q Kb6 63.Qd4+ Kb7 64.Qd6 d2 65.Qc7+ Ka8 66.Bf3#] **54...Rf8 55.Bc1?+-** 4.16 [55.Bf5! Kxd4 56.Bxc2 Kc4+- 10.11] **55...Rb8** 6.46 [55...Kxd4 56.Kg3 Rb8 57.Bc8 Ke5+- 6.21] **56.Bc8 Kxd4** Oscar is up 2 B's vs R **57.Kg4?+-** 10.15 the mate as usual is long and difficult to calculate [57.Bb2+ Kc4 58.h5 Kb3 59.Bc1 Ka2 60.h6 Rxb7 61.Bxb7 Kb1 62.Bd2 c1Q 63.Bxc1 Kxc1+- and it is mate in 13 moves] **57...Kd3 58.Kf3?+-** 6.71 [58.h5 Ke2 59.h6 Kd1 60.Bf4 d4 61.h7 c1Q 62.Bxc1 Rxb7 63.Bxb7 Kxc1+- and it is mate in 8 moves] **58...Kc3** 10.52 [58...Kd4? 59.Bf4 Kc5 60.h5 Rxb7 61.Bxb7 Kb6+- 14.54] **59.h5 d4 60.h6+-** 14.54 **1-0**

Cohen's Chess Movies' Reviews – The Chess Player

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'The Chess Player' ('Le Joueur d'Échecs') is a 1927 silent film from France, with English titles. It is a fictional story of a real automaton called The Turk, which was invented by Baron von Kempelen. Using historical characters, including the Baron, and weaving in real incidents from The Turk's career, a fictional account of the creation of the Turk is told. The film is a love story, set against the sweep of historical events: a 1776 uprising of Polish Lithuania against Russian occupation. The director filmed in Poland, and tried to be as historically accurate as possible in the details, from the protocols of royalty to the movements of The Turk.

The film is suitable for all ages, however, parental guidance is needed to explain the actions of the occupying Russian army. DVD extras include a radio interview with Tom Standage, author of 'The Turk: The Life and Times of the Famous Eighteenth-Century Chess-Playing Machine' (2002), in which he reveals the real life motivation for the invention; and a PDF file with the transcript of an interview with the film's director, 40 years after he made the film.

You can rent the DVD in Toronto at Queen Street Video, 480 Bloor St. W.; call ahead at (416) 588-5767 to ensure that it is in and to reserve it. Do not mix it up with 'The Chess Players', a film from India (reviewed in Volume 7, No. 18, 2006.05.15) which you may want to rent at the same time!

SCC Closed for July & August

Unfortunately, SCC cannot get the municipal community centre for the summer months of July and August, so we have to close for these two months. But the club re-opens for the 2008-9 season on Thursday, September 4 at 7:00 PM for the 2008-9 Annual General Meeting. This meeting hears reports on the last year, and elects the new executive for the coming 2008-9 season. It also plans for the new year.

Our first tournament of the new season is the Howard Ridout Memorial Swiss and it starts the following Thursday, September 11. Doors open at 7:00 PM, with the round starting at 7:30 PM. Please be there early so we can register everyone and do the pairings.

Have a nice summer, though three-quarters of it is now gone already – time flies when you are having fun !

The Mayhem On Midland Swiss

THE MAYHEM ON MIDLAND ROUND 2: SOUTHSIDE CHESS CLUB PRESENTS A STANDARD 5 ROUND SWISS

Saturday, August 23 – Sunday August 24

5 Round Swiss Style (CFC & FIDE ratings accepted)

4 Sections: U1400, U1800, U2000, OPEN

Time Controls: standard time controls (1:30 min each, sudden death)

Awards to: 1st and 2nd place per each section

Prize fund based on number of entries (100% RETURNED)

All ages and experience levels welcome

FREE refreshments and snacks(pop, water, chips, etc)

FREE GIVEAWAYS and RAFFLE DRAWS

Participation ribbons, medals, and CASH PRIZES!!!

Perfect score prize

BLITZ TOURNAMENT TO BE HELD AFTERWARDS!!!

CLUB SECTION ADDED FOR SOUTHSIDE MEMBERS ONLY (NON CFC rated)

Tournament Details:

Location: The main intersection is Midland and Progress, with the front entrance on **Consentino St.** Plenty of parking available behind the unit complex.

Registration: Registration \$50.00 per person before the 14th of August 2008. \$60.00 up until the event and \$70.00 at the door. Pre-registration required to secure spot and sufficient funds for tournament **PRE-REGISTER HERE**

Entry Fees: Entry fee for Swiss tournament and blitz tournament non-refundable

Forfeit: Games commence on time unless otherwise stated. If you are unable to attend your match call ahead to receive a bye for the round. If you fail to comply within 1:00 hour of your clock running, we have no choice but to award a point to your opponent.

Perfect Score prize: Those participants who manage to score a perfect 5/5 will receive the perfect score cash prize (DOES NOT APPLY TO UNRATED PLAYERS ACCEPT IN OPEN SECTION)

Recording moves: Recording your games are required up until the last 5 minutes.

Refreshments: Refreshments will be available FREE during the tournament for players and guests.

Giveaways and Raffles: Giveaways and raffles will be part of the tournament entry fee.

Blitz tournament: For those interested, a blitz tournament will be held afterwards (SUN).

Entry fee is \$20

Information: Onsite: ask for Petar or Mike. Email: petar_the_don@hotmail.com ,
mjperez71@hotmail.com

Schedule:

Saturday, August 23
registration begins 8:30 am
Introduction from Sponsors 9:15 am
game 1 9:30 am
game 2 12:30 pm
game 3 4:00 pm

Sunday August 24, 2008
game 5 10:00 am
game 6 1:30 pm
closing ceremonies 5:00 p.m.

Toronto Labour Day Open

*Aug 30, 31, and Sep 1, 2008
(Sat, Sun, Mon)*

We're back at the Macedonian Community Hall!

*76 Overlea Blvd, Toronto
(near Don Mills Road)*

Style: *6 round Swiss in 5 sections: Open/FIDE rated (including U2300 section),
U2200, U2000, U1800, U1600/UNR*

Rounds: *11:00 AM & 5:30 PM Saturday, 10 AM and 4:30 PM Sunday and Monday
Time Control: 40/2, SD/1*

Registration: 9:00-10:30 AM on Saturday, August 30th

Registrants after 10:30 are not guaranteed to be paired by 11:00 AM

In advance by mail to:

Bryan Lamb 1903-1360 York Mills Rd, North York, ON M3A 2A3

Make cheque payable to Bryan Lamb. No postdated cheque please.

*Email registration to bryan.lamb@rogers.com. Email registrants must
arrive onsite before 10:30 to pay or will be charged the onsite fee.*

*Entry Fees: \$70 advance, \$80 cash only on site AMATEUR: \$25 (Under
1800 and Under 1600 sections – not eligible for cash prizes)*

*Discounts: \$20 less for Juniors (born after Sept.1, 1988), Seniors (60
and older), Women, and IM's. No discount for Amateur players; only one
discount per player.*

Byes: Maximum of 2 in rounds 1-5.

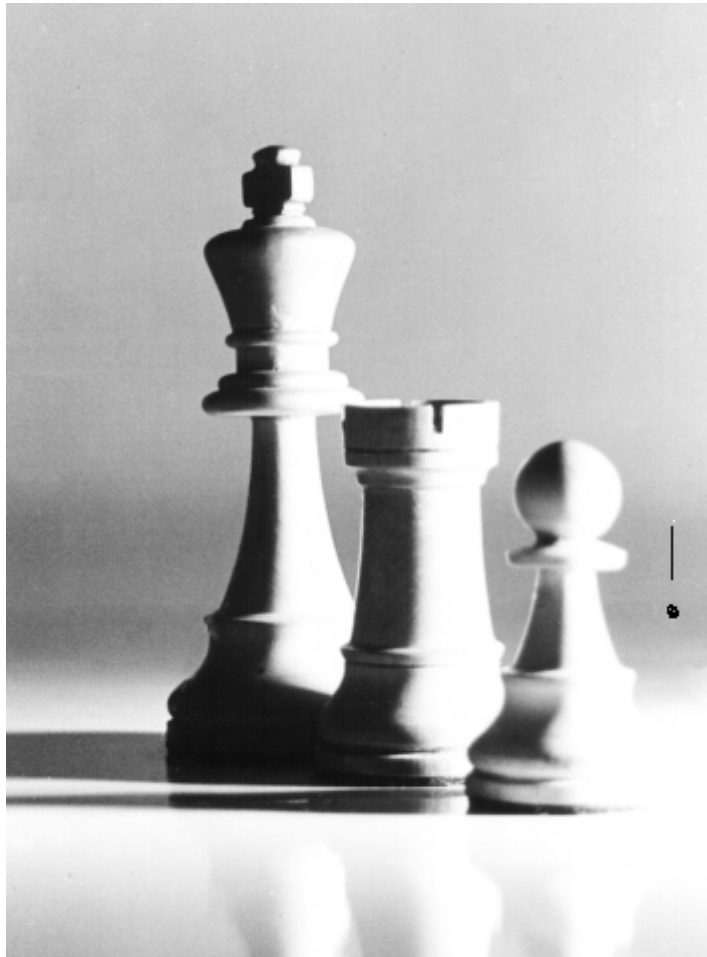
*Players must be a current members of the Chess Federation of Canada for
the duration of the tournament. Membership renewal, new membership*

and tournament membership payments will be accepted upon registration or before the start of the tournament.

The Labour Day Website, for more details, is :

<http://labourdayopen.memberlodge.com/>

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