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The FIDE “ Man vs Machine “ Championship Match

Between Jan. 26 and Feb. 7, this new FIDE championship was held in New York, U.S.A.. It featured Garry Kasparov (Russia), 13th FIDE World Champion and highest rated player in the world, facing off against the three-time computer world champion, Deep Junior (created by 2 Israeli programmers). After 6 exciting games, the match ended in a draw ! For his participation, and drawing the match, Garry earned a tidy \$ 750,000.

In our last Issue, we provided you with the first three games (Kasparov won game 1, drew game 2, and lost game 3). Game 4 was an exciting draw. Deep Junior pushed his Queen-side pawn majority, and amazingly sac'd one of its pawns to create a passed pawn. Eventually, it got the sac'd pawn back. Another exchange of Queen-side pawns then occurred, leaving DJ with its passed bPawn on the 6th rank. Kasparov then lost his own passed dPawn, to go down a pawn. But Kasparov successfully blockades the extra passed pawn, and DJ could not make any progress. The game was agreed drawn.

DEEP JUNIOR – Kasparov,G (2847) [B44]

FIDE Man–Machine WC New York USA (4), 02.02.2003

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 e6 5.Nb5 d6 6.c4 Nf6 7.N1c3 a6 8.Na3 Nd7 9.Nc2 Be7
10.Be2 b6 11.0-0 Bb7 12.h3 0-0 13.Be3 Rc8 14.Qd2 Nce5 15.b3 Nf6 16.f3 Qc7 17.Rac1 Rfe8
18.a3 Ned7 19.Rfd1 Qb8 20.Bf2 Rcd8 21.b4 Ba8 22.a4 Rc8 23.Rb1 Qc7 24.a5 bxa5 25.b5 Bb7

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26.b6 Qb8 27.Ne3 Nc5 28.Qa2 Nfd7 29.Na4 Ne5 30.Nc2 Ncd7 31.Nd4 Red8 32.Kh1 Nc6 33.Nxc6 Rxc6 34.Kg1 h6 35.Qa3 Rdc8 36.Bg3 Bf8 37.Qc3 Ne5 38.c5 Nd7 39.Qxa5 Nxc5 40.Nxc5 Rxc5 41.Qa4 R5c6 42.Bf2 d5 43.Bxa6 Bc5 44.Bxc5 Rxc5 45.Bxb7 Qxb7 46.exd5 exd5 47.Qa7 R5c7 48.Qxb7 Rxb7 49.Rxd5 Rc6 50.Rdb5 h5 51.Kf2 Re6 52.f4 g6 53.Kg3 Kg7 54.Kh4 Kh6 55.R1b4 Rd6 56.g3 f6 57.g4 hxg4 58.hxg4 Kg7 59.Rb3 Rc6 60.g5 f5 61.Rb1 ½-½

In Game 5, DJ made a stunning speculative but thematic sac of its Bishop on h7, attacking Kasparov's King. Until now, chess programs have valued material enough that we generally only see sacrifices where there is a calculation showing a clear advantage. But this was different. Commentators agree that the outcome of this particular sacrifice was most unclear. It has become apparent that the programmers have moved a step forward with this version of Deep Junior. A few moves later, Garry was faced with how to defend against the attack. On move 16, most commentators live felt that 16.g3 was the natural defensive move for Kasparov, and that it gave a clear, if not winning advantage. Kasparov himself right after the game, said that he feared his King being so compromised, if in the g3-line, DJ played the subtle 16...Qh2. Later annotations have now made the issue unclear. Some have asserted that white even then maintains an advantage. But others have said the position is unclear, Kasparov is exposed, and DJ has sufficient compensation. Hanging over the decision of whether to play 16.g3, was the fact that the position would have remained exceptionally tactical, which of course is the chess programs biggest strength. So Kasparov played instead an offered sac back of the Bishop, by taking on h2, which if captured by DJ, would have left the computer with an inferior position. But DJ refused the sac back. This led then to Kasparov choosing the safer way to defend, which gave DJ a draw by repetition of checks. Below we present the game, with a few short annotations (by Fritz 6), which show the alternatives it considers during the last few moves of the games (Fritz 6, which is likely not a strong enough program for this kind of advanced analysis, felt 16.g3 left Kasparov with a winning advantage, even if DJ played 16...Qh2) :

(Garry ,K (2836) – Deep Junior (2800) [E48]

Man vs Machine Match New York, USA (5), 05.02.2003

[Fritz 6]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e3 0-0 5.Bd3 d5 6.cxd5 exd5 7.Nge2 Re8 8.0-0 Bd6 9.a3 c6 10.Qc2 Bxh2+?!+/- 11.Kxh2 Ng4+ 12.Kg3 Qg5 13.f4 Qh5 14.Bd2 Qh2+ 15.Kf3 Qh4 16.Bxh7+?!= [Fritz 6: 16.g3 Nh2+ (16...Qh2+/- although Fritz 6 evaluates this as White still winning, other commentators have said that Black has compensation, and that it would be a terribly tactical position to play against a computer. We'll have to wait for more analysis to answer this question.) 17.Kf2 Ng4+ 18.Ke1 Qh3 19.Nd1 Nd7 20.Nf2 Nxf2+- 1.56/15] 16...Kh8 [16...Qxh7??± 17.Qxh7+ Kxh7 18.Rh1+ Kg6 Fritz 6: 19.e4 dxe4+ 20.Nxe4 Rxe4 21.Kxe4 Nf2+ 22.Kf3 Nxe4 23.Rxh1 Na6 (23...Be6??+- 0.34/14 24.f5+ Kxf5 25.Rh5+ Kg6 26.Rh8 Bd5+ 27.Kf2 Kf5 28.Bf4 Ke4 29.Rxb8 Rxb8 30.Bxb8 a6+-) 24.g4 f5 25.gxf5+ Bxf5±] 17.Ng3 [17.g3 Nh2+ 18.Kf2 Ng4+ 19.Kf3= (19.Ke1?± Qxh7 20.Qxh7+ Kxh7 21.Ng1 Nxe3 22.Bxe3 Rxe3+ 23.Kf2 Re7±)] 17...Nh2+ 18.Kf2 Ng4+ 19.Kf3 Nh2+ drawn by agreement ½-½

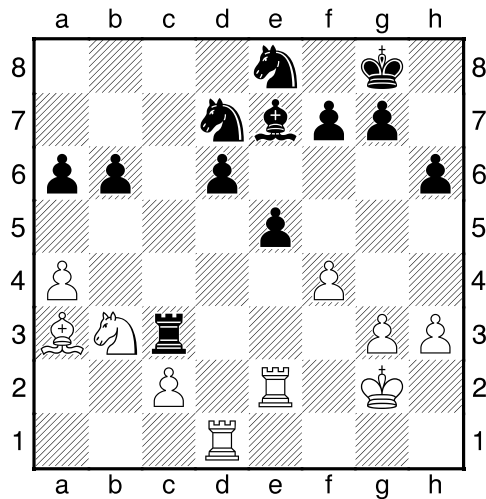
Kasparov had the black pieces for the final 6th match. In the middle game, Kasparov made what all agreed was a gutsy exchange sacrifice, winning a pawn, and a hoped for positional and endgame advantage. But as Kasparov said afterwards, although his goal was to win, it also was not to lose. So after the sacrifice he offered a draw. DJ

rejected the draw, but a few moves later offered a draw itself, which Kasparov accepted. Annotators seem to agree that despite being down material, Kasparov had an endgame advantage. But they also have little criticism of Kasparov's decision not to try to win the endgame against the computer. Here is the game, and the drawn position :

(2018896) DEEP JUNIOR – Kasparov,G (2847) [B92]

FIDE Man–Machine WC New York USA (6), 07.02.2003

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Be2 e5 7.Nb3 Be7 8.0-0 0-0 9.Kh1 Bd7
 10.Be3 Bc6 11.Bf3 Nbd7 12.a4 b6 13.Qd3 Bb7 14.h3 Rc8 15.Rad1 h6 16.Rfe1 Qc7 17.g3 Rfd8
 18.Kh2 Re8 19.Re2 Qc4 20.Qxc4 Rxc4 21.Nd2 Rc7 22.Bg2 Rec8 23.Nb3 Rxc3 24.bxc3 Bxe4
 25.Bc1 Bxg2 26.Kxg2 Rxc3 27.Ba3 Ne8 28.f4 ½-½



[2003 Toronto Closed & Reserves Chess Championships](#)

The TORONTO CLOSED AND RESERVES CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS will be held at the new BAYVIEW GAMES CLUB, 1681 Bayview Avenue (site of the old Dutton CC). These traditional events will be held at 7: 30p.m.on Tuesday and Thursday evenings (starts on Tues. Feb. 18) with the final round on Sunday March 23 at 2 pm. Each section will be a 12 player round robin with the top ranked players [by ratings and titles as valued by the tournament organizer] seeded into the Championship and the next 12 into the Reserves Section. The entry fee of \$60 must be paid by 8 pm Sunday February 16 and the accepted players will be notified by 9 pm either on site or by posting on CHESS TALK.COM.

100% of entries will be returned as PRIZES . Section " A " prizes : 1- \$ 500;

2- \$ 250; 3- \$ 150; Section " B " prizes : 1- \$ 300; 2- \$ 150; 3- \$ 90.

Time control is 30 moves/ 1.5 hrs; S.D./ 1 hr.

Either tournament can be entered at the BAYVIEW GAMES CLUB on any evening. . ENQUIRIES to VLAD DOBRICH , Tournament Organizer and Director at (416)722 -9709

CAN. OLYMPIAN CHESS MASTER TO VISIT K-W CHESS CLUB

International Master Yan Teplitsky will give a talk at the Kitchener-Waterloo Chess Club on Saturday, February 22 at 8:30pm.

Teplitsky is appearing during the K-W Winter Open Chess Tournament, held over the weekend of February 21-23.

He will demonstrate some of his games from the Bled Chess Olympiad (Slovenia) where he had an outstanding result as a member of the Canadian team, achieving a second 'norm' towards an International Grandmaster title. After the lecture there will be time for a question and answer session with the audience. (Total time expected to be about two hours.)

It is expected that many participants in the weekend tournament will want be part of this lecture. Early registration is therefore suggested, as space may be limited.

To register:

Send cheque to Albert Den-Otter, 11 Hermie Place, Kitchener, ON. N2H 4X9
Information: (519) 744-5213 email: ardenotter@hotmail.com

Saturday, February 22, 2003 8:30pm
Kitchener City Hall – Conestoga Room (1st floor)
\$8 for tournament participants and KWCC members - \$12 for others

For further information about entering the K-W Winter Open Chess Tournament please see the club web site at www.kwchessclub.com or contact Albert Den Otter as shown above.

2003 Toronto Class Championships

Dates: March 7-9, 2003 (start of school break)

Site: CMA rooms (now Bayview Games Club), 2nd Floor, 1681 Bayview Avenue, Toronto, Ontario

Chief Tournament Director: David Cohen

WANTED: Volunteers to help run this non-profit event (can play simultaneously).

Format: Limited to 60 players. CFC rated.

10 Round Robin Sections of 6 players each. 5 rounds.
1 game Friday, 2 games Saturday, 2 games Sunday.

Time Control: Game/180.

Times: Fri. - 7:00pm; Sat. - 10:00am, 4:30pm; Sun. - 10:00am, 4:30pm

Rating: Peak rating used to determine a player's section.

Byes: There are no byes.

Registration: All players must register Friday from 5:30pm-6:30pm. Registration includes showing a CFC Membership card with expiry date 2003.03.09 or later (or joining CFC or renewing CFC Membership). Cash only, largest bill accepted: \$20.

Entry fee: \$60. May be paid in advance to CMA, c/o Chess Shop, 1685 Bayview Avenue, Toronto, Ontario M4G 3C1. If using credit card, add 2% surcharge (not considered part of the entry fee).

ATTENTION MASTERS: All players in the top 2 sections who complete all of their games will be refunded their entry fee.

Prizes: Based on 60 players, the first prize in each section is \$225.

\$1/player will be donated to the Greater Toronto Chess League Scholarship Fund

Tournament is sanctioned by the Greater Toronto Chess League

Organizer: Greater Toronto Chess League

[New " Bayview Games Club "](#)

Vlad Dobrich, who was very active in Toronto chess some years ago, is the driving force behind a new club opening at the old Dutton Chess Club site. It will include the availability of chess and backgammon. Every Wednesday at 7:00 pm there will be a 15 min chess tournament with 100% entry fees returned as prizes. On Monday at 7:00 pm there will be a Novice chess tournament for people under 1500 or unrated (20 min per player per game). The entry fee will be \$5.00 and as well prizes will be 100% of entry fees. To play in all tournaments (except the Toronto Closed) will require a membership or a one day pass for \$5.00. For those interested in the membership at the club here it is: per day \$5.00; for 1 month \$30.00; for 3 months \$80.00; and for 1 year \$250.00. Please keep in mind that the club will be open 7 days a week. Other tournaments are planned. The club opened with a blitz tournament at 1:30 pm on the opening Saturday. Also, the Toronto Closed Championship and Reserves will be played at this site (see earlier article).

SCC wishes the new club success in future.

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