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**Prague Unity Agreement Hits Another Snag**

The impressive agreement reached last May to reunify the world chess championship is continuing to unravel. The FIDE side of the draw is scheduled – Ruslan Ponomarev ( Ukraine ), 2002 FIDE world champion is to play Garry Kasparov ( Russia ), 13<sup>th</sup> FIDE world champion, and highest rated player in the world, in early September this year in Yalta, Ukraine ( though Ruslan is claiming compensation from FIDE of \$ 150,000 ( U.S. ) for the match having been rescheduled from its original start date of last month ).

The other side of the draw features classical world champion, Vladimir Kramnik ( Russia ), against Peter Leko ( Hungary ). But the problem is that a corporation, Einstein TV , holds the rights to this challenge match of Kramnik’s. And it previously announced that it had been unable to find a sponsor for the full prize fund for the match. But now things seem to have gotten worse. On July 1, Einstein Group ( the holding company ) petitioned the British High Court for the “ appointment of administrators “. This usually means the company is insolvent. Where will this leave the holding of the Kramnik match ? Stay tuned, since this saga is clearly far from over.

**Canadians Play in World Junior**

The world junior championships were played recently in Nakhcivan, Ajerbaijan. Shakhriyar Mamedyarov of Azerbaijan won the title, with 10/13 pts. The women’s section was won by Nana Dzagidzne of Georgia, with 9.5/11 pts..

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**( one block east of Woodbine Ave./Cosburn Ave. intersection, in former East York )**

Canadians who played were :  
Hao Yuan Wang, a GTA junior, and Can. Junior Champion – ranked 37<sup>th</sup>, he finished 28<sup>th</sup> with 6.5/13 pts.;  
Hughes Masse – ranked 42<sup>nd</sup>, he finished 43<sup>rd</sup> with 5/13 pts.;  
Anne-Marie Charbonneau ( Women's Section ) – ranked 22<sup>nd</sup>, she finished 24<sup>th</sup> with 3.5/11 pts..

### **Bluvshstein Tries for Second GM Norm**

IM Mark Bluvshstein, a GTA Junior, recently gained his first GM norm in a grandmaster tournament in Hungary last month. This month, starting July 23 in Montreal, he will go hunting for his second norm in the Montreal International tournament, a 12-player round robin tournament, being a FIDE Category 11 event. Good luck Mark.

### **GTA Juniors Win in 2003 Canadian Youth Chess Championships**

This tournament was held in Kapuskasing July 7 – 10. It is run in 10 categories ( 5 mixed & 5 female ) : U10, U12, U14, U16, U18. Here are some of the top results of GTA juniors :

U 12 Mixed – Nikolay Noritsyn – 1<sup>st</sup> ;  
U 12 Girls – Hazel Smith – 1<sup>st</sup> ; second was Alina Sviridovitch;  
U 18 Mixed – Liam Henry ( an SCC junior ) – 2<sup>nd</sup> ( he was playing for 1<sup>st</sup> place on Board 1 in the last round, but lost )  
U 18 Girls – Dina Kagramanov – 1<sup>st</sup> .

### **John Cherriman Memorial Masters Tournament – Toronto**

This is a one section only tournament, being a 6 player round robin. It will be played Friday, July 25 – Sunday, July 27. It will be played at the Bayview Games Club, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, 1681 Bayview Avenue, Toronto. Entry fee \$ 115 ( \$ 100 for BGC members ). This is the 18<sup>th</sup> Toronto Masters tournament here in Toronto, and is organized by David Cohen. IM Yan Teplitsky is one of the confirmed players. More information can be obtained from the owner/manager of the BGC, Vlad Dobrich at 416-722-9709.

### **SCC Closes for the Summer**

Sunday, July 13 is the final round of the current Sunday Swiss. This will be the last Sunday meeting until after Labour Day in September.

Thursday, July 17 ( yes, we're playing this third Thursday when normally we're closed ) is the last round of the Thursday swiss. This will be the last Thursday meeting until after Labour Day in September.

The 2003-2004 Annual General Meeting of SCC will be held the first Thursday after Labour Day, which is Thursday Sept. 4.

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