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Kramnik-Topalov 2007 World Chess Championship “ Re-match “ ?

After losing the unified 2006 World Championship title to Vladimir Kramnik (Russia), 2000 Classical World Champion, last month, Veselin Topalov (Bulgaria), 2005 FIDE World Champion, and highest rated player in the world, and his manager, Silvio Danailov, spoke to reporters on their return to Sofia, Bulgaria. Danailov said :

“The regulations of the World Chess Federation allows each world champion, who has lost the title to extend an invitation for a new match. The sum of EUR 1.5 million has to be provided as an award. We will find the money and will demand that the match take place in Sofia. We will even propose the date March 3rd, 2007”.

A few days later, FIDE president, Kirsan Ilyumzhinov seemed to agree with Danailov’s interpretation of the regulations. But Kramnik, in an interview, said he did not think Topalov had any prior right to other top players who might also want to challenge him.

A right of “ re-match “ is somewhat murky in this situation. Topalov was not in this match THE World Champion. And Kramnik was not the CHALLENGER. Both were considered as equals, Champions in their own right. So we do not have the traditional situation of a Champion being defeated by a challenger, and claiming a right of re-match. The complexity of the situation is further seen if one asserts that Topalov has a right of re-match. If so, what happens if he defeats Kramnik. They’d effectively be tied 1:1 ! Would Kramnik then be able to claim a further right of re-match to break the tie ??

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Perhaps the best way to look at it is that there is now a new start with a new unified 2006 World Champion. “ Re-match “ is not the issue. Rather it is who would provide the best challenge to the new Champion? From this perspective, Topalov would have to be considered the best challenger, and that should not be affected by the fact of his having just played in the title reunification match. He is the highest – rated player in the world, the only player over 2800, and is recognized as one of the most innovative and exciting of the current top players (despite his dismal recent 3rd place finish at the Essent tournament – see below). He should therefore play, not as a “ re-match “, but as a “ Challenger “. And we feel because of his standing, he has a prior right to be the challenger over other possible top players who may also wish to challenge under the FIDE regulation. We believe such a challenge-match is something of which the chess world would heartily approve, especially given the closeness of the result and the play of the 2006 match.





In the meantime, we hope FIDE does look into the question of whether Topalov can somehow be worked into the current 2007 World Championship cycle (or the loser of the proposed match), so that the 2007 World Championship tournament is as strong as it can possibly be. However in a recent interview, FIDE President Ilyumzhinov seemed to confirm that Topalov is not going to be given any place in the 2007 World Championship. One other suggestion that has been floated has been to turn the 2007 World Championship into only a Candidates’ tournament, and the winner would be the challenger for Kramnik’s title (in match play). On this Ilyumzhinov said that match play for the World Championship needed to be carefully looked at again, and that a decision on any changes would be decided at the next meeting of the FIDE Presidential Board. We support this option because we lean toward Match Play as being a better format than a round-robin tournament to determine the world championship (call us classicists !), as well as being easier to promote publicity-wise (mano a mano is good press). But whatever the method, we still hope Topalov (or Kramnik should he lose a “ re-match “) will be in the running for the 2007 World Championship.

If you’re so inclined, e-mail us with your opinion on this issue, and we’ll try to get it into print in the next issue.

Topalov Third (!) at Essent Tournament, Hoogeveen, Netherlands

This tournament ran from Oct. 20 – 28 and was a double round-robin. It involved the World Champion (at the time of the invitation, Topalov), the World Junior Champion (at the time of the invitation, Shakhriyar Mamedyarov (Azerbaijan)), the strongest woman player, Judit Polgar (Hungary), and the strongest Dutch player, Ivan Sokolov. Topalov, fresh from his defeat by Kramnik, was only able to secure 3rd place. The tournament was won on tie-break by Mamedyarov. Here are the final standings :

10th Essent Hoogeveen NED 2006

				1	2	3	4			
1		Mamedyarov, S	2728	+193	**	%1	1 0	1 1	4.5 / 6	10.25
2		Polgar, Ju	2710	+217	%0	**	1 1	1 1	4.5 / 6	8.25
3		Topalov, V	2813	-168	0 1	0 0	**	%1	2.5 / 6	
4		Sokolov, Iv	2670	-336	0 0	0 0	%0	**	0.5 / 6	

Here is Polgar's win over Topalov in the final round (Annotations by Bob Armstrong, using Fritz):

Topalov, V (2813) – Polgar, J (2710) [E32]

10th Essent Hoogeveen NED (6), 28.10.2006

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 0-0 5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.Qxc3 b6 7.Nf3 Bb7 8.e3 c5 9.Be2 cxd4 10.exd4 d5 11.b3 Nbd7 12.0-0 dxc4 13.bxc4 Qc7 14.a4 Rac8 15.Re1 Rfe8 16.Bb2 Ng4 17.g3 Ndf6 18.Nd2 to this point the game has been dead equal. 18...h5?± Polgar gets aggressive , but it is an inferior move. [18...e5 19.Bxg4 Nxg4 20.dxe5 Rcd8=] 19.h3 Nh6 20.Bf3?=[20.a5 b5 21.a6 Ba8 22.c5 Rb8±] 20...Red8 21.Re5 Nf5 22.Bxb7 Qxb7 23.d5 h4??+– Polgar is know for her attacking style; but here it is getting her into trouble [23...Qd7 24.Qf3 h4 25.g4 Nd6=] 24.g4 Ne7 25.Ne4 [25.dxe6?? Ng6 26.exf7+ Qxf7 27.Rf5 Qe6±] 25...Ne8 26.Re1?± Topalov makes a critical blunder, missing an obvious pin on the cP [26.dxe6 f6 27.Qf3 Qc6 28.Rg5! Qxe6 (28...fxg5? 29.Qf7+ Kh8 30.Nxg5 Qc7 31.Qh5+ Kg8 32.Nf7 Ng6 33.Qxg6 Rd6 34.Re1 Rd3 35.Qxd3 Qxc4 36.Qg6 Qc2 37.Nh6+ Kh8 38.Nf5 Rc7 39.e7 Qxf5 40.Bxg7+ Kg8 41.gxf5 Rxe7 42.Rxe7 Nc7 43.Bb2+ Kf8 44.Qf7#) 29.Nxf6+ Nxf6 30.Qxf6 Qxf6 31.Bxf6 Re8 32.Rxg7+ Kf8+–] 26...Nxd5 [26...Rxd5 27.Rxd5 Nxd5 28.Qe5 Ndf6 29.Nxf6+ Nxf6] 27.Qf3?+ [27.Qb3 Ndf6 28.Nxf6+ Nxf6 29.a5 Qc6 30.axb6 Qxb6±] 27...Rxc4 28.Rg5 Qe7??± [28...Qc6 29.Bxg7 Nxg7 30.Nf6+ Kh8 31.Qd3 Nxf6 32.Qxd8+ Nfe8+–] 29.Bxg7 Nxg7 30.Rxd5 Rxd5?=[Judit has let Veselin right back into the game ! [30...Ne8 31.Rh5 Rcd4 32.g5 Qb4±] 31.Nf6+ Kf8 32.Nxd5 [32.Nh7+ Ke8 33.Nf6+ Kd8 (33...Kf8=) 34.Nxd5 Qc5 35.Ne3 Rc1=] 32...Qd6?± [32...Qd8 33.Nf6 Rd4 34.Qa3+ Qd6 35.Qf3 Ne8 36.Nxe8 Kxe8=] 33.Nf6 Ne8 34.Qa8 Qe7 35.g5 [35.Nxe8? Qxe8 36.Qxa7 Qd8 37.Rb1 Qd5 38.Qxb6 Rxa4=] 35...Rd4 36.Rc1 Rd8 37.Qf3 Rd5??+– Now Topalov has a " winning " advantage [37...Nxf6 38.gxf6 Qb4 39.Qh5 Ke8 40.Qh8+ Qf8 41.Qxh4 Qd6±] 38.Kf1??± But he blows it [38.Qf4 Rc5 39.Rxc5 bxc5 40.Qxh4 Qd8 41.Qh8+ Ke7 42.Qxe8+ Qxe8 43.Nxe8 Kxe8 44.h4+–] 38...Nxf6 39.gxf6 Qd8 40.Rc4?± [40.Qf4 Rd1+ 41.Rxd1 Qxd1+ 42.Kg2 Qd5+ 43.Kf1 Ke8 44.Qxh4 a5±] 40...Rf5 41.Qa3+ Kg8 42.Rg4+ Kh7 43.Rxh4+ Kg6 44.Rg4+ Kxf6 45.Qc3+?+ [45.Qg3 Qd1+ 46.Kg2 Qd5+ 47.Kg1 Rg5 48.Qf4+ Kg6±] 45...Ke7 46.Rd4 Rd5??± again Polgar lets Topalov off the hook; this game has been a roller-coaster ride, and it's not over yet [46...Rc5 47.Rxd8 Rxc3 48.Rb8 Kf6 49.Rb7 a5 50.Rxb6 Rc4 51.Ke2 Rxa4+–] 47.Rc4 Kd7 [47...a6? 48.h4 f6 49.Rc7+ Rd7 50.Rc6 Rb7=] 48.h4?± [48.Qg7 Qe8 49.Rf4 Ke7 50.Qf6+ Kd6 51.Qxf7 Qxf7 52.Rxf7 a5 53.Rb7 Kc5±] 48...Qb8 49.Qf6 Rf5 50.Rd4+ Kc6 51.Rc4+ Kb7 52.Qe7+ Ka6 53.Rc7?+ Topalov will not escape this mistake this time [53.Qc7 Qa8 54.Rc6 Qh8 55.Rc4 Qf6 56.Kg1 Rxf2 57.Qc8+ Ka5 58.Rc5+ bxc5 59.Qxc5+ Kxa4 60.Qxa7+ Kb3 61.Qxf2 Qg6+ 62.Kh2 Qh5 63.Kg3 Kc4±] 53...Qa8 54.Kg1 Rf4 55.f3 [55.Qg5 Rxa4 56.Kh2 Qb8 57.Qe5 Rxh4+ 58.Kg3 Ra4+–] 55...Rxf3 56.Qg5 f5+ 0-1

World Youth Chess Championships.

A total of 775 youngsters (439 boys & 336 girls) were registered for the 2006 World Youth Championships which took place last month in Georgia. 101 players from Georgia...78 from India...12 from Canada...there were 0 participants from England & France (there was worry beforehand about the security in Georgia). The new Under 8 years old category attracted 74 boys

and 45 girls! It was an 11 round swiss. Yan Teplitsky was the Canadian coach.

Here are the Canadian players and their scores :

U8 - Boys (74 players)
Steven Leu – 5.5 pts.

U10 - Boys (88 players)
Richard Leu – 5 pts.

U12 - Boys (78 players)
Artur Calugar – 6.5 pts.

U14 - Boys (77 players)
Shiyam Thavandiran (seeded 7th) – finished 10th ! – 7 pts.

U16 - Boys (69 players)
Raja Panjwani (seeded 28th) – finished 7th ! – 7.5 pts. – got IM norm ! (played 6 titled players, and averaged 2327 for norm purposes)
Haonan Zhou – 5.5 pts.

U18 - Boys (53 players)
Jonathan Tayar (seeded 28th) – 5 pts.
David Wang – 4.5 pts.

U8 - Girls (45 players)
Regina-Veronika Kalaydina – 4 pts.

U10 - Girls (62 players)
No Canadian player

U12 - Girls (67 players)
Myriam Roy – 5 pts.

U14 - Girls (51 players)
No Canadian players

U16 - Girls (63 players)
Gabrielle Nadeau – 4 pts.

U18 - Girls (48 players)
Angele Larocque – 1.5 pts.

5 out of 12 Canadians scored over 50 %. Congratulations to all the juniors who so well represented Canada !

One game that is especially interesting is the win in Rd. 3 by Raja Panjwani (Canadian U 16 Champion) over his higher rated Georgian opponent, where, in the

centre, he sacs a P, then an N for 2 pawns, keeping the Black King in the middle, and eventually wins. Here is the game (Annotations by Bob Armstrong, using Fritz):

Panjwani, R (2223) – Paichadze, L (2378) [B12]

World Youth Championship 2006 Batumi Georgia (3), 21.10.2006

1.e4 c6± 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.Nc3?=[4.Nf3±] 4...e6 5.g4 aggressive play by Raja **5...Bg6 6.Nge2 f6** [6...Bb4 7.a3 Ba5 8.h4 h6=] **7.h4** [7.Nf4 Bf7 8.exf6 gxf6 9.Qe2 Qe7 10.Be3 e5 11.Nd3 Nd7=] **7...Nd7 8.f4 fxe5?±** [8...Bf7=] **9.fxe5 Be7 10.g5** Raja has developed a nice space advantage **10...c5??+–** this allows Raja a very long complicated sacrificial combination [10...Bb4 11.a3 Ba5 12.b4 Bc7±] **11.Nf4 Qb6 12.Bb5!** Raja sacs his dP – he has more sacs in mind [12.Nce2?? Be4 13.Rh3 Bf5 14.Rb3 Qc7=] **12...cxd4 13.Ncxd5!!** now he sacks an N for 2 P's and play in the centre, where Bl's K still is. [13.Nxg6?? hxg6 14.Bxd7+ Kxd7 15.Ne2 Bb4+ 16.c3 dxc3 17.bxc3 Ba5±] **13...exd5 14.Nxd5 Qc5 15.c4 a6** [15...dxc3 16.Bxd7+ Kxd7 17.Be3 Qb5 18.Nxc3+ Qd3 19.Qxd3+ Bxd3 20.0-0-0 Rd8 21.Rxd3+ Ke6+–] **16.b4 Qa7 17.Bxd7+ Kxd7 18.c5** [18.e6+?? Kxe6 (18...Kc8?? 19.c5 Bxc5 20.Bf4 Be4 21.Rc1 Bxd5 22.Rxc5+ Kd8 23.Qxd4 Ne7 24.Rxd5+ Nxd5 25.Qxd5+ Ke7 26.Qd7+ Kf8 27.Qf7#) 19.Qg4+ Bf5 20.Nf4+ Ke5 21.Qe2+ Kd6 22.c5+ Kd7 23.Qe5 Rf8 24.Qxd4+ Kc8 25.Qxg7 Nf6 26.Qxe7 Re8 27.gxf6 Rxe7+ 28.fxe7 Qb8±] **18...Bd8** [18...Bxc5 19.bxc5 Qxc5 20.Qb3 Qc6 21.Nb6+ Ke8+–] **19.Qg4+** [19.e6+ Kxe6 20.Qg4+ Bf5 21.Nf4+ Kd7 22.Qxf5+ Ke8 23.Ne6 b6 24.Qf8+ Kd7 25.Qd6+ Ke8 26.Rf1 Nf6 27.gxf6 Bxf6 28.Nc7+ Kf7 29.Qe6+ Kf8 30.Rxf6+ gxf6 31.Bh6#] **19...Ke8 20.h5 Bd3** [20...Bc2 21.h6 g6 22.Qxd4 Qb8 23.Bf4 Qc8 24.e6 Qxe6+ 25.Kd2 Be4 26.Rhe1 Bf6 27.gxf6 Kf7 28.Rxe4 Qf5+–] **21.h6 b5** [21...gxh6 22.Qxd4 Qb8 (22...Bg6? 23.e6 Nf6 24.Nxf6+ Bxf6 25.Qd7+ Kf8 26.gxf6 b5 27.Bxh6+ Kg8 28.f7+ Bxf7 29.exf7#) 23.Qxd3 Qxe5+ 24.Qe2 Qxe2+ 25.Kxe2 Ne7 26.Nxe7 Bxe7 27.Rxh6+–] **22.Qxd4** Raja now has 2P's vs B [22.cxb6?? Qf7 23.hxg7 Qxg7 24.Qe6+ Kf8 25.Rh4 Qg6 26.Rf4+ Kg7 27.Qd7+ Ne7 28.Nxe7 Bxe7 29.Qxe7+ Kg8 30.b7 Rb8 31.Rxd4 Bb5 32.Rd8+ Rxd8 33.Qxd8+ Kf7 34.Qxh8 Qe4+ 35.Kf2 Qe2+ 36.Kg3 Qe1+ 37.Kf4 Qf1+ 38.Kg4 Qg2+ 39.Kf4 Qf1+ 40.Ke3 Qd3+ 41.Kf2=] **22...Bc4 23.e6 Nxh6 24.gxh6 Qb7 25.hxg7?±** Raja is now up 2 P's, but the gP will fall [25.Qxg7 Qxg7 26.hxg7 Rg8 27.e7 Bxe7 28.Nc7+ Kf7 29.Nxa8 Bf6 30.Rb1 Rxa8 31.Rxh7 Re8+ 32.Kf2 Bd3 33.Rh8 Re2+ 34.Kf3 Kxg7 35.Rh3 Rxa2+– W is up the exchange] **25...Rg8 26.Rh5 Qxg7 27.Qxg7 Rxg7 28.Bb2?±** Raja's advantage is slipping away from him [28.Kf2 Bxd5 29.Rxd5 Rg6 30.a4 bxa4 31.Rxa4 Rf6+ 32.Kg3 Rxe6±] **28...Rg2??+–** But Luka errs and hands the game back to Raja again [28...Rg1+ 29.Kf2 Rxa1 30.Bxa1 Bxd5 31.Rxd5 a5 32.bxa5 Rxa5 33.Be5 Ke7 34.Bb8 Rxa2+ 35.Ke3 Rc2±] **29.0-0-0 Bxa2** [29...Rg5 30.e7 Bxe7 31.Nc7+ Kf7 32.Rxh7+ Kg6 33.Rg7+ Kf5 34.Nxa8 Rxg7 35.Bxg7 Bxa2+–] **30.e7 Bxe7** [30...Bxd5 31.exd8Q+ Rxd8 32.Re5+ Kf7 33.Rexd5 Rxd5 34.Rxd5 Rg4 35.Bc3 Re4+–] **31.Nc7+ Kf7 32.Rxh7+ Kg8 33.Rxe7** Raja is now up an N **33...Rf8 34.Rh1+–** now Luka must sac the exchange on b2 to avoid mate – he resigns **1-0**

Chess for Charity Event

(report by David Cohen on ChessTalk)

Industry Canada organized a chess for charity (United Way) event on October 19 at 240 Sparks St. in Ottawa. Chess'n Math Association / Chess Shop Ottawa was a main sponsor, providing the chess sets and prizes. Over \$450 was raised.

The main event was an 8 board blindfold simul by FM Hans Jung of Kitchener. Hans persevered for 6 hours against strong opposition, scoring one win. At this point, after 30 moves, the players agreed that Hans could remove the blindfold so that everyone could finish up in friendly fashion face-to-face and go home! Hans scored a further +3 =2 -2, for a final total of +4 =2 -2.

SCC Howard Ridout Fall Swiss

This was the first tournament of the new SCC season, and a record 42 players registered for it. It was a one-section 7-round swiss, that ended Oct. 26. The co-winners, with 5 ½ pts., were Bryan Lamb, highest rated club player, Alex Rapoport, one of last year's club co-champions, and John Hall, second highest rated player in the club.

In Round 6, Rapoport beat Hall, to take sole possession of first place. Here is their game (Annotations by Bob Armstrong, using Fritz):

Hall, J (2037) – Rapoport, A (1889) [A84]

SCC Fall Swiss Scarborough Chess Club (6), 19.10.2006

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 c6 4.e3 f5?± [4...Nf6=] 5.g4? = a pretty aggressive response ! [5.Nf3±] 5...Nf6 6.gxf5 exf5 7.Qb3 Na6?± [7...dxc4 8.Bxc4 Bd6 9.Nf3 Qe7 10.Ng5 Rf8=] 8.cxd5 Nxd5 9.Nxd5? = the game now remains equal until move 31 [9.Bxa6 bxa6 10.Nxd5 Qxd5 11.Qxd5 cxd5±] 9...Qxd5 10.Qxd5 cxd5 11.a3 [11.Bxa6 bxa6 12.Bd2 Rb8 13.Rc1 Bd6 14.Nf3 0-0=] 11...Bd6 12.Ne2 0-0 13.Bg2 Nc7 14.Nc3 Be6 15.f4 Rfd8 16.Bd2 g6 [16...Kf7 17.Ke2 b5 18.Rhc1 a5 19.h4 Re8=] 17.Kf2 Kg7 18.Bf3 Kf6 19.Rac1 Rac8 20.Na4 b6 21.Bb4 Bxb4 22.axb4 Nb5 23.Be2 [23.Nc3 Nxc3 24.bxc3 h6 25.Rc2 Rd7 26.Ra1 g5=] 23...Nd6 24.Ba6 Ne4+ 25.Ke2 Rxc1 26.Rxc1 Rd6 [26...h6 27.Rc7 Rd7 28.Rc6 Kf7 29.Nc3 Ke7=] 27.Nc3 Nxc3+ 28.bxc3 h6 29.Ra1 Rc6 30.Kd2 g5 31.h4?± [31.Bd3 Rc7 32.Bc2 Rg7=] 31...g4 32.Bd3 Rc7 33.Kc2 Rb7 34.Kd2 Kg6 35.Ke2 Kh5 36.Kf2?± [36.b5 Rc7 37.Rc1 Bc8 38.Kf2 Bd7±] 36...Rc7 37.Bb5 Bd7 38.Be2 Be8 39.b5?+ this leads to the loss of the critical bP [39.Bd3 Bg6 40.Ra3 a5 41.bxa5 bxa5 42.Rxa5 Rxc3 43.Be2 Rc2±] 39...Rxc3 40.Rxa7 Rc2 41.Ke1 Rb2 42.Rb7 Bxb5 43.Bd1 Bd3 44.Rd7 Be4 45.Rd6 b5 46.Be2 b4 47.Bb5 Kxh4 48.Rxh6+ Kg3 49.Be2 Bf3 50.Bd3 Be4 51.Be2 b3 52.Rb6 Bc2 53.Rb5 Be4 [53...Rb1+ 54.Kd2 Kf2 55.Rxd5 g3 56.Rd6 Ra1 57.Kc3 Re1 (57...Kxe2 58.Rg6 Kf2 59.d5 g2 60.d6 Rd1 61.Kb2 Rxd6+) 58.Bc4 Rxe3+ 59.Kb2 g2 60.Rg6 Rg3 61.Rxg3 Kxg3 62.Bxb3 Bxb3 63.Kxb3 Kxf4 64.d5 Ke5 65.d6 g1Q 66.d7 Qd1+ 67.Kc4 f4+] 54.Rb6 Rb1+ 55.Kd2 Kf2 56.Bd1 g3 57.Rh6 [57.Bxb3 Rxb3 58.Rxb3 g2 59.Kc3 Kxe3 60.Kb4+ Kxf4 61.Kb5 g1Q+] 57...b2 [57...Rxd1+! 58.Kc3 g2 59.Rg6 Rd3+ 60.Kb2 Kxe3+] 58.Bc2 Rc1 59.Bb1 Rxb1 [59...g2 60.Rh8 (60.Rg6 Bxb1-) 60...g1Q+] 60.Rh8 Rd1+?+- [the quickest way is 60...Rc1 61.Rh2+ Kf3 62.Rf2+ Kg4 63.Ke2 Rc2+ 64.Kf1 b1Q#] 61.Kc3 b1Q 62.Rh2+ Kf3 63.Rf2+ Kg4 John resigned; mate follows 64.Rb2 Rc1+ 65.Kb3 Qd3+ 66.Kb4 Qc3+ 67.Ka4 Qxb2 68.Ka5 Ra1# 0-1

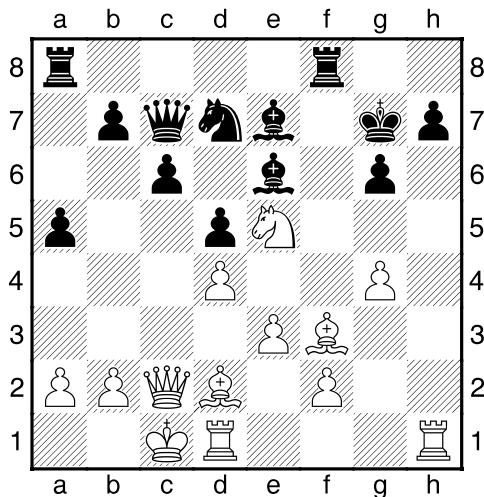
Also in Round 6, Pepin Manalo uncorked a very nice mating sacrifice against Donal Deiseach, one of last year's club co-champions. This left him in second place. Here is their game (Annotations by Bob Armstrong, using Fritz):

Manalo, P (1659) – Deiseach, D (1940) [D35]

SCC Fall Swiss Scarborough Chess Club (6), 19.10.2006

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 d5 3.c4 c6 4.Nc3 Nbd7 5.Qc2 e6 6.cxd5 exd5 7.Bf4 Be7 8.g3 0-0 9.Bg2 Nh5 10.Bd2 f5 11.h3 Ndf6 12.Ne5 Ne4 13.Nxe4 fxe4 14.e3?± [14.Qb3 a5 15.a4 Nf6 16.0-0 Bd6=] 14...g6? = [14...Bd6 15.Bc3 Be6 16.Qd2 Qe7 17.a3 Nf6±] 15.Rf1 Be6 16.Qb3 Qc7 it is not know if Donal missed the tactical shot made available to Pepin; but in any event it only leads to an exchange of P's, though Pepin gets a semi-open h-file to attack on. [16...Qc8 17.g4 Nf6 18.Bb4 Bxb4+ 19.Qxb4 Nd7=] 17.Bxe4! Bxh3 18.Rh1 Be6 19.g4 [19.Bxg6 hxg6 20.Nxg6 Nf6 21.Nxe7+ Qxe7 22.Bb4 Qf7 23.Bxf8 Rxf8=; 19.Bg2 a5 20.Qd3 Bd6 21.Bc3 Nf6=] 19...Nf6 20.Bf3?± [20.Bg2 Nxg4 21.Bh3 Nxe5 22.Bxe6+ Nf7 23.e4 Kh8=] 20...Kg7??± [20...Nd7 21.Nxd7 Qxd7

22.Qd1 Bd6] 21.0-0-0? = [21.e4 Kg8 22.g5 Nd7 23.Bg4 Bxg4 24.Nxg4 Nb6±] 21...a5 22.Qc2 Nd7??+- This time Donal clearly overlooks a sharp tactic. This ends what has been a relatively equal game throughout



23.Rxh7+!! Donal resigns since mate follows 23...Kxh7 24.Qxg6+ Kh8 25.Rh1+ Bh4 26.Rxh4# 1-0

The final round saw Bryan Lamb defeat Rapoport to take a share of first place. Here is their game (Annotations by Bob Armstrong, using Fritz):

Rapoport, A (1889) – Lamb, B (2116) [A48]
 SCC Fall Swiss Scarborough Chess Club (7), 26.10.2006

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nd2 g6± 3.e3? = [3.e4±] 3...Bg7 4.Bd3 d6 5.Ngf3 Nbd7 6.0-0 0-0 7.Re1 c6 8.b3 Qc7 9.Ba3 Re8 10.Rc1 b5 11.c4 Qa5 12.Nb1 b4 13.Bb2?? [13.Qd2 c5 14.Rcd1 Rb8 15.Bc1 e5=] 13...Qxa2? = [13...e5 14.e4 exd4 15.Bxd4 Ne5] 14.Ba3 bxa3??± Bryan decides to sac his Q – unwise ! [14...e5 15.dxe5 Nxe5 16.Nxe5 dxe5 17.Bxb4 Qa6=] 15.Re2?± [15.Nc3 Qb2 16.Na4 e5 17.Be2 exd4 18.exd4 Qxc1 19.Qxc1 Bb7 20.Qxa3 c5 21.d5 Re7±] 15...Qb2 16.Rxb2 axb2 17.Rc2 e5 18.Bf1 [18.Be2 c5 19.Rxb2 exd4 20.exd4 Ne4 21.Ra2 Ndf6±] 18...c5 19.Rxb2 Bb7 20.Ra2 e4?± [20...exd4 21.exd4 Bxf3 22.Qxf3 cxd4 23.Qd3 Nc5 24.Qxd4 Nxb3 25.Qxd6 Ne4 26.Qf4 a5±] 21.Ng5 Nb6 22.d5 Bc8 23.Nc3 h6 24.Nh3 Bd7 25.Qc2 Re7 26.g3 a5?+- now Bryan and his sac are really in trouble [26...Bf5 27.Nf4 Rb8 28.Bg2 g5 29.Nfe2 g4±] 27.Bg2 a4 [27...g5 28.Kh1 Bf5 29.Ng1 Nc8+-] 28.Nf4 Kh7 29.Nxa4 Nxa4 30.bxa4 Bf5 31.Ne2 Nd7 32.Nc3 Ne5 33.Nxe4 Alex now has a Q+2P's vs R+B 33...Rb7 34.f4?± this loses a P [34.a5 Rab8 35.h3 Rb4 36.Qe2 Nxc4 37.a6 Ra8+-] 34...Ng4 35.h3 Nxe3 36.Qd3??+- Alex takes his Q to the wrong square [36.Qe2 Bxe4 37.Bxe4 Rb4 38.Kh2 Nxc4±] 36...Rab8?? = But then Bryan blunders, thinking Alex cannot take his N because of the pin [36...Nxg2 37.Rxg2 Re7 38.Re2 Rae8 39.g4 Bxe4 40.Qb3 Bd4+ 41.Kh2 g5 42.f5 Be5+ 43.Kg1 Bf3 44.Qxf3 Bd4+ 45.Kf1 Rxe2 46.Qxe2 Rxe2 47.Kxe2 Bc3-+] 37.Qxe3 Bd4 38.Qxd4 cxd4 39.Nxd6 Rb1+ 40.Kf2 [40.Kh2? d3 41.Nxf5 gxf5 42.Rd2 R8b2 43.Rxd3 Rc1 44.g4 fxd4 45.a5 Rcc2 46.Rg3 Rxc4 47.hxd4 Rxf4] 40...R1b2+ 41.Rxb2 Rxb2+ 42.Kf3 Bc2 43.Bf1 f5 44.Nb5??+- this mistake Alex will not get out of [44.g4 Bd1+ 45.Kg3 Rb3+ 46.Kf2 fxd4 47.hxd4 Rf3+ 48.Kg2 Rxf4 49.a5 Rxd4+ 50.Kf2 Rf4+ 51.Ke1 Ba4=] 44...Bd1+ Bryan misses the mate in time pressure [44...Be4#] 45.Be2 Bxe2+ 46.Kf2 Bxc4+ 47.Ke1 Bxb5 48.axb5 Rxb5+- 0-1

Down on board 4 in Round 7, an upset was taking place as Andrew Philip defeated higher-rated Randy Moysoski. Here is their game (Annotations by Andrew Philip, using Fritz; additional annotations by Bob Armstrong, using Fritz [B.A.]):

Philip, A (1585) – Moysoski, R (1967) [E70]

Howard Ridout Memorial SCC Swiss Scarborough Chess Club (7), 27.10.2006

75MB, Fritz9.ctg, TOR31018186 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Nge2 0-0 6.Ng3 Nc6 7.d5 Ne5 8.Be2 c5 9.0-0± a6 10.a4** [10.f4 Ned7 11.Be3 Qc7 12.Rb1±] **10...Rb8 11.f4 Neg4** [B.A. 11...Ned7 12.a5 b6 13.axb6 Qxb6 14.Ra2 e6=] **12.h3 Nh6 13.Be3 Kh8 14.Qd2 Nfg8** [B.A. 14...b6 15.f5 Nhg8 16.fxg6 fxg6±] **15.f5** B.A. Andrew initiates his attack. [an alternative is maneuvering the N to d3 and playing g4 15.Nh1 Qa5 16.Nf2 Bd7 17.Nd3 Bd4 18.g4±] **15...Bd7 16.Rad1?!±** [overlooking the counter play offered by Black's next move; better is 16.Bd3±] **16...Qa5 17.h4!± b5±** [better is 17...Qb4 18.h5±] **18.axb5 axb5 19.cxb5** [missing the opportunity to activate the Rook to strengthen the attack 19.Ra1! Qb4 20.Ra7 Rfd8 21.fxg6 hxg6 22.cxb5±] **19...Qb4 20.h5??=** B.A. Andrew pursues his attack, though it is not best. [White could have kept his edge with 20.f6! exf6 21.Ra1 Ra8 22.Ra6 Rxa6 23.bxa6±] **20...gxf5= 21.Ra1** [21.exf5 Be5 22.Bxh6 Nxb6 23.Qxh6 Qh4 24.Nce4 Rg8 25.f6 Rg6 26.Qe3 Bxg3 27.Nxg3 Rxg3 28.Qf4 Rxg2+! 29.Kxg2 Rg8+ 30.Kf3 Rg4 31.Ke3 (31.Qd2?? Qg3#) 31...Rxf4 32.Rxf4 Qg5=] **21...Bd4?!** [after a series of White inaccuracies, Black had clawed his way to dynamic equality, but this move helps recharge White's attack; equal chances would result from 21...Ng4! 22.Bxg4 =fxg4] **22.Ra4± Bxc3 23.Qxc3+ Qxc3 24.bxc3 Bxb5 25.Bxb5 Rxb5 26.Nxf5±** [stronger is 26.exf5± retaining the N for the attack via Ne4] **26...Nxf5 27.Rxf5 Rb1+ 28.Kf2 Nf6** [a better defense is 28...Rb3] **29.Bg5± Rb2+ 30.Kf3 Kg7? 31.e5±** [but missing 31.h6+ Kg6 32.Bf4 Nd7 33.Rg5+ Kf6 (33...Kxh6?? leads to mate after 34.Rg3+ Kh5 35.Ra1) 34.g4+-] **31...Ng8 32.Rg4** [winning is 32.exd6! exd6 33.Bf4 Rb6 34.Rg5+ Kh8 35.Ra7 h6 36.Rf5 f6 37.Ke4 Rd8 38.Bxh6 Re8+ 39.Kf3 Nxb6 40.Rxf6+-] **32...Kh8□ 33.exd6 exd6 34.Bf4?!±** [according to Fritz 9 34.c4± maintains White's advantage] **34...Rb6 35.h6 f6 36.Rg7 Rd8 37.Rh5 Rb3± 38.Bd2 Rb2=** the game is equal once again **39.Bf4 Rc2 40.Rh1 Rxc3+** B.A. Randy goes up a P, though Andrew's position is superior **41.Kg4 Rc4 42.Kf5 Rxf4+??+-** White was in serious time trouble and Black was hoping to reduce the material and use his clock advantage to bring home the point, but Black overlooks the mating net [B.A. 42...Rc2 43.g3 Rb2 44.Ra7 Rf2 45.Ke4 Rb2 46.Rha1 Re8+ 47.Kf3 Rb3+ 48.Kg2 Rb2+ 49.Kh3 Ree2±] **43.Kxf4 Re8 44.Ra1 Re7?+-** B.A. This leads to mate. [not much better is 44...Nxb6 45.Raa7 Ra8 46.Rxh7+ Kg8 47.Rag7+ Kf8 48.Rc7 Ra4+ 49.Kf3 Ra3+ 50.Ke2 Ra2+ 51.Kd3 Kg8 52.Rxh6+-] **45.Rxe7 Nxe7 46.Ra8+ Ng8 47.Kf5 c4 48.Ke6 c3 49.Kf7** B.A. It is mate next move 1-0

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