

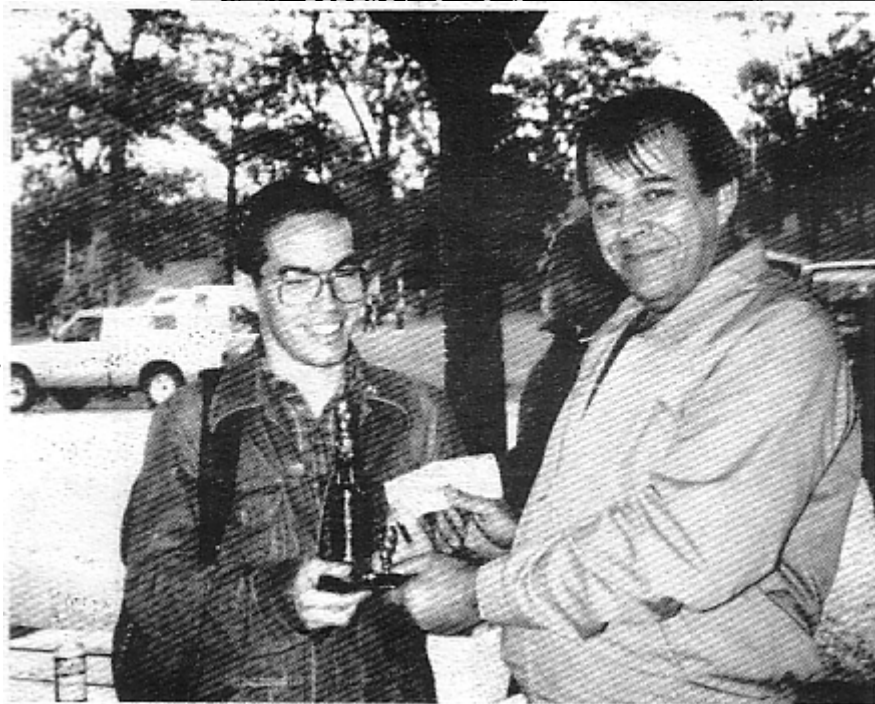
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cover photo...Fred Gruenberg

# PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Helen Warren

A SUCCESSFUL ILLINOIS OPEN...And in more ways than one. (Report elsewhere in this issue.) Our congratulations to new IL OPEN Champ Albert Chow. The tournament this year was honored to have GM Andy Soltis in the field. Chow and Soltis split the 1-2 prize money with the title going to Chow. The ICA was a winner, too: the tournament enjoyed an \$800 profit, a welcome addition to the treasury come payment of IL TOUR prizes. Your president organized the IL Open with help from Jim Warren. Our thanks to Larry Stilwell and the Proviso W CC for site and service to players.

AND WE HOPE MORE OF THE SAME FOR THE IL CLASS.... After we finished the rating report on the IL Open, we turned our attention to the ICA Scholastic Clinic and Tornado III in late October. Now we turn our attention to promoting the ILLINOIS CLASS, Nov. 24-25 at Morgan Park. We are hoping for a modest profit for the ICA in this event. The Scholastic Clinic finished well in the black, incidentally, and provided sixty-six students from nine schools almost 400 hours of classroom instruction. All three events were organized by your president. Our thanks to Evanston H.S. for their site and to Tim Just and Dennis Grant who gave their TD services gratis on Sunday.

WINDING DOWN AND PACKING UP....

Rarely does an individual enjoy the opportunity for service in a state association in as many capacities as Jim and I have filled over the last eight years. Many years ago I put in a stint as ICA's secretary; in more recent years, I have served as metro-vice president and editor of the ICB, a post which gave me special challenge and joy. At year's end I shall have completed two years as your president; Jim will have completed two terms as treasurer and membership secretary. It has been an eventful and fascinating period in our lives during which we have gained some valuable insights into the political processes that spawn state association leadership and form the direction it takes.

The ICA has come a long way; we have accomplished some good things on the journey. No, I intend no litany of "accomplishments", not even a bloatedly self-serving quotation from Shakespeare. Our track record will have to speak for itself.

## EDITOR'S PAGE

THE SAME OLD THINGS

As Kasparov keeps "fouling off" Karpov's attempts to finish him off (as I write this Karpov still leads 4-0) and Albert Chow graces yet another ICB cover (how come the best pictures I receive are always of him?) you may well be yearning for something different. I'm certainly getting restless, why else would I do something out of character like writing an opening article? But I did, and it's the first installment of what I'm calling "Openings That Theory Has Forgotten", an ongoing look at all the stuff that's fallen in the cracks of ECO. If you want current theory, subscribe to PCN and buy the latest Informants, but no matter what you do, somebody is going to know more than you do. But if you read the ICB nobody will want to know more than you do!

A RETURN TO SANITY

Many of you out there are "road rats", travelling all over the midwest just to get your chess fix. But there is an alternative. I'll let Barry Fisher explain...

It's not clear to me exactly when the idea to become a tournament director came into my head. The seed for the idea must have come one cold night when I was crunched into the back seat of my friend's Camaro. We were coming home from a tournament; it was past midnight; we had left at 7:00 that morning. While my chin dug a deep hole into my knee, Ron, Pierre, and Scott continued the cigarette-smoking contest they had started in the morning. They were using small push-button counters to keep score, and Pierre was in the lead. Close behind, Ron was complaining about having to rely on his car's faulty lighter. Scott had lost a few seconds eating a couple of Big Macs, and he was smoking

There are three extraordinary contributions chess players can make to the art/sport in exchange for the joy the game gives us. The first is the gift of money--hard for many. That's why I must thank the Century Club members, Gold Card members and Patrons for their continued support over the past years. The second contribution is the gift of time. Time is harder to give than money, yet a few of the members of the ICA board of directors have made a sincere commitment in this direction, volunteering for a job, and then doing it well and on time. But there is a third contribution very few make: the gift of self. This means doing the hard, boring things when something else would be easier and more fun: mailings, phone calls, editing copy, running labels, raising money, finding sites and doing it over the long haul. This is the nitty-gritty, unglamorous stuff that oils the wheels of any organization. And that's pretty much what the ICA has had in the Warrens for the last eight years.

The professionalism brought to the posts of ICA treasurer, membership secretary, ICL Director, IL Tour Statistician, by Jim will be hard to match by any one--or two--replacements. I could not have served nearly as well without him. He has been a mainstay at tournaments; he has donated money, books, and time, often filling in for others. He upgraded the job of treasurer from a dismal batch of cancelled checks to an accurate system of accounting. In short, he has been an uncomplaining and unstinting co-worker. I publicly thank him and acknowledge his huge contribution to this association.

What goals the ICA sets for itself, how it will use the potential influx of funds from revenue sharing, what projects it will undertake--all are tasks for the next ICA board of directors. We wish the officers and board well as they begin their terms in 1985.

And, of course, Jim and I will continue to be active in chess activities through our postal organization APCT and through the new affiliate, the Midwest Chess Association, which will promote over-the-board tournaments of quality. I remain director of the 1982 and 1983 ICA/Region VII postal events aswell. To those who have been helpful and generous, our thanks and affection.

two at a time in a desperate attempt to pull himself out of 3rd place. As a non-smoker, I took part only by trying to push my nose out the small opening in the window that was all the cold weather would allow. When we finally reached my house, my friends assumed my tears were from my poor result.

"Don't worry Barry", Ron said. "There's a lot of strong chess players who never get their rating above 900!"

As I closed the car door, I heard Pierre wondering where 4-digit counters could be bought. I went into my house, collapsed on my couch, and repeated to myself my wife's question: Do I enjoy this? A small amount of thought led me to realize that the worst part of chess was the lengthy drive to the tournament site. For players in the Champaign/Urbana (CU) area, this problem was often compounded by making the long drive only to discover that players from CU made up anywhere from 20-60 percent of the field. Nobody wants to make a 1-2 hour drive just to play games with 2 of the 3 people who drove to the tournament. It was no great revelation to realize that all this could be avoided if someone would direct tournaments here. But who?

I knew that Dave Sprenkle occasionally directed tournaments at the U of I student union. I felt that if Dave and I could each direct three tournaments a year, we would be able to generate enough enthusiasm for a 3rd or even 4th person to also commit himself to 3 a year. At that rate we would be host to 9-12 tournaments a year and could compete with Peoria for the top spot in downstate chess activity.

Unfortunately, Dave has told me that he has no plans to direct in '85 [I might change my mind-DS], and I have no other commitments from prospective directors. Nevertheless, I will continue at the pace of 3 tournaments per year and continue arm-twisting a couple of players who said they might want to direct an event or two. The chess scene in central Illinois can only get better.



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1	Morris Giles	84	1/6
2	Lester Van Meter	28	1/3
3-6	Erik Karklins	25	
3-6	Dennis Gogel	25	
3-6	Andrew Soltis	25	
3-6	Albert Chow	25	
7-11	Leonid Bass	20	
7-11	Steve Odendahl	20	
7-11	Peter Bereolos	20	
7-11	Eugene Martinovsky	20	
7-11	Bill Williams	20	
12	Scott Zingheim	16	2/3
13	Angelo Sandrin	16	1/3
14-19	Chris VanDyck	10	
14-19	John Burke	10	
14-19	Sandy Zabell	10	
14-19	Billy Colias	10	
14-19	Gregg Seall	10	
14-19	Mariano Acosta	10	
20-22	Eric Schiller	7	1/2
20-22	Rhys Read	7	1/2
20-22	Donn Nicholson	7	1/2
23	Leonid Kaushansky	3	1/3
24-26	Walter Brown	3	
24-26	Steve Szpisjak	3	
24-26	Jim Condron	3	

**CLASS A:**

1	Rhys Read	22	
2	William Harrison	21	1/2
3-5	Larry Waite	20	
3-5	Robert Faust	20	
3-5	Jovito Ybanes	20	
6	Steve Surak	10	3/7
7-10	Mark Marovitch	10	
7-10	Bill Brock	10	
7-10	John Wygracki	10	
7-10	Kevin Bensler	10	
11	Jeff Wiewel	8	13/14
12	Leon Lipton	8	
13-14	Robert Bloom	7	1/2
13-14	Mark Conner	7	1/2
15-19	Chris Firestone	5	
15-19	Greg Berry	5	
15-19	Irving Rosenfeld	5	
15-19	Douglas Ulitch	5	
15-19	Jim McNameara	5	
20-23	Todd Barre	3	
20-23	Ronald Ruben	3	
20-23	Phil Jarrette	3	
20-23	Ray Christian	3	

**CLASS D:**

1-4	Marcellus Burke	8	
1-4	Kevin Leuthold	8	
1-4	Gregory Shapiro	8	
1-4	Ross Torkelson	8	
5	Rudolfo Padilla	6	5/6
6-7	Kevin Bolcich	6	
6-7	John Gossage	6	
8	Bruce Chenoweth	5	2/3
9	Avelino Bustamante	5	1/2
10	David Sullivan	4	1/3
11-13	Dr. A. Munoz	4	
11-13	Johana Jones	4	
11-13	Sara Sengenberger	4	

**CLASS E:**

1	Bruce Chenoweth	5
2-3	Jason Brawka	4
2-3	Henry Pena	4
4-6	N. Hughes	3
4-6	M. Marek	3
4-6	Ron Braun	3
6-8	Jordy Rocheleau	2
6-8	Francine Atwell	2

ONLY LEADERS LISTED IN ABOVE CLASSES.

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Master Challenge VI--Oak Park  
Illinois Open--Hillside  
Tornado II--Chicago Chess Center  
Lake County Open--Zion  
Tornado III--Evanston

**CLASS B:**

1	Donn Nicholson	20	
2-4	Mack Lyons	16	
2-4	Len Weber	16	
2-4	Steve Decman	16	
5-6	Vic Swanson	12	
5-6	David Kavesh	12	
7	Matt Bolton	10	2/5
8	Tom Fineberg	7	11/15
9	Rhys Read	7	
10-11	Anthony Kasenga	6	
10-11	Dave Shiner	6	
12	David Schild	8	
13	Roger Bowen	5	1/7
14	Catalina Reyes	4	1/7
15-20	Paul Madey	4	
15-20	Leo Sims	4	
15-20	Vivian Schaecker	4	
15-20	Robert Johnson	4	
15-20	Nik Goncharoff	4	
15-20	Franco Spano	4	
21-22	Todd Schremer	3	
21-22	Ward Burton	3	

**CLASS C:**

1	Roy Levin	18	1/2
2-3	D. Nicholson	12	
2-3	Robert Bethel	12	
5-7	Tom Friske	9	
5-7	Art Peel	9	
5-7	William Joiner, Jr.	9	
8-9	Rick Lutzke	7	1/2
8-9	James Marshall	7	1/2
10-12	Glenn Beard	6	
10-12	Joe Zaagulya	6	
10-12	J. Edward Wells	6	
13-15	Wilfredo Gapuz	4	1/2
13-15	Jim Abbott	4	1/2
13-15	Marty Seitzinger	4	1/2
16-19	Fred Dangoy	3	
16-19	Breg Koster	3	
16-19	Charles Higgins	3	
16-19	Myron Cannell	3	

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ROUND 5

Acosta(2230) [4]	1/2-1/2	Soltis(2527) [4]
Kaushansky(2389) [3.5]	1/2-1/2	Van Meter(2268) [3.5]
Chow(2353) [3.5]	1-0	Chachere(2227) [3.5]
Zingheim(2276) [3.5]	0-1	Stein(2253) [3.5]
Harrison(1971) [3.5]	0-1	Yedidia(2366) [3]

An exciting round, as other players and spectators were treated to some real battles on the top boards. First to finish was Yedidia, who finally burst Harrison's bubble. But the other games proved to be long and hard fought. Acosta and Soltis fought a double-edged, but mostly positional struggle out of the King's Indian Defence. In mild time pressure, the players agreed to a draw with Soltis holding the slightest of positional edges. The most exciting game of the round was the complex struggle between Zingheim and Stein. Kurt obtained the initiative out of the opening and could have won the exchange, but declined the offer to keep his powerful kingside attack going. Zingheim defended accurately however, and managed to wrest the advantage in a difficult ending. But in time pressure, Scott blundered, allowing Kurt a tactical shot which forced a winning passed pawn on the kingside. A tough loss for Zingheim, who is quickly moving into the upper echelon of Illinois players. Chow secured his point against Chachere by obtaining the upper hand in a double-edged line of the Sicilian. It was then only a matter of time before he won a pawn and ground out the win with precise endgame play. The longest game of the round was Kaushansky's tenacious effort to defeat Van Meter. Leo managed to obtain a slight edge against the Caro-Kann, but Lester defended the Rook ending well to get the draw.

After the smoke had cleared, Soltis, Chow, Stein, and Acosta were the leaders with 4 1/2.

ROUND 6

Stein(2253) [4.5]	0-1	Soltis(2527) [4.5]
Acosta(2230) [4.5]	0-1	Chow(2353) [4.5]
Kramer(2256) [4]	0-1	Kaushansky(2389) [4]
Yedidia(2366) [4]	1/2-1/2	Jakstas(2147) [4]
Van Meter(2268) [4]	1-0	Morris(2122) [4]
Allison(1904) [4]	0-1	Sandrin(2264) [4]

Soltis laid first claim to top prize with his win over Stein. Kurt sacrificed a piece in an attempt to ignite a kingside attack, but never could obtain enough compensation. This result made the Acosta-Chow game the key matchup, as the winner could lay claim to the state title. It soon proved to be Chow as he slowly but surely garnered the advantage and brought the point home. Congratulations to Albert Chow, our new State Champ, who thus adds the Illinois Open [he also won in 1982-DS] to his recent string of impressive victories.

Finishing just behind the leaders with 5 points were Angelo Sandrin, Leonid Kaushansky, and Lester Van Meter. Sandrin, with his win over Roger Allison, earned the 2nd Illinois trophy, while Kaushansky, showing his fine endgame technique in his win over Kramer, claimed the 3rd Illinois trophy. Meanwhile Kaz Jakstas completed his fine tournament by drawing Yedidia, thus earning him the top Expert trophy.

Finally, two other fine performances are worth mentioning. William Harrison completed his excellent tournament by upsetting Marovitch in the 6th round, thus finishing with 4 1/2-1 1/2 to capture the Class A prize. Stephen Decman, although rated only 1657, also scored 4 1/2-1 1/2 and won the Class B prize by a full point! Along the way he defeated Gregory Fischer(1911), Peter Vesely (1983), and Dan Pless (2066).

This year's Illinois Open was indeed a successful one, and was made possible by the sponsorship of the Illinois Chess Association, as well as the hard work of its president, Helen Warren. Walter Brown and Todd Barre directed the tournament. We would also like to thank Larry Stillwell for his assistance at Proviso West HS. Hopefully, the 1985 Illinois open will be equally as successful.

Chicago Master Albert Chow is the 1984 Illinois State Champion. He captured that title by scoring 5.5-0.5 at the 1984 Illinois Open held over Labor Day weekend at Proviso West High School in Hinsdale. He was tied for first by GM Andy Soltis of New York City, who was vacationing in the area with his wife Marcy. I think that most of the players, directors, and organizers involved with the tournament would agree that Soltis' presence not only added the prestige of a top American GM, but also the presence of a true sportsman.

In all, 116 players were battling for \$1700 in guaranteed prizes as well as for the right to be called "1984 Illinois State Champion". Although Soltis (2527) sat atop the pre-tournament wall chart, a number of strong Illinois players sat below him poised to capture that plum. They included Leonid Kaushansky (2389), Jonathan Yedidia(2366), Chow (2353), and Morris Giles (2287). Not present however was the defending State Champ, Dr. Eugene Martinovsky, who was out of the country at the time. Nevertheless, the stage was set as Soltis, 12 Masters, 14 Experts, and 89 others began play on Saturday morning.

ROUND 1

A routine round for the favorites. Soltis notched his first point against Paul Moore (1784), and all the other Masters followed suit. In fact, the only Expert who didn't win was Chris Firestone (2016), who was upset by Joel Heinrich (1561).

ROUND 2

Again, a fairly routine round, but this time not without a few surprises. Kaushansky was held to a draw by Jeff Wiewel (1948), and Chuck Kramer (2256) was also nicked for a half point by Ron Ruben (1907). So after the first day, 20 of the 27 players rated above 2000 had managed to keep perfect scores. It was time to get down to the nitty gritty!

ROUND 3

The top players found it tough going as play resumed Sunday morning. Soltis was pushed to the limit by Chicago veteran Kaz Jakstas (2147), and the game was subsequently adjourned with Soltis holding the endgame edge. Also adjourning with a slight edge was Yedidia against improving Mark Marovitch (2113). Meanwhile Chow settled for a draw with University of Chicago student Matt Morris(2122), while another UC student, John Tomas (2253), was upset by William Harrison (1971). As a result, going into round 4 only 8 confirmed perfect scores remained, although many observers felt Soltis and Yedidia could both win their adjourned games.

On the lighter side, Addison's Steve Surak (1956) avenged his 2nd round loss to Andy Soltis by defeating Marcy Soltis (1743) in this round. It's the first time I've ever seen a player paired with husband and wife in consecutive rounds.

ROUND 4

To the surprise of many, most of the perfect scores disappeared in this round. Relative unknown Mariano Acosta(2230) grabbed the early lead when he caught Giles in an opening trap and won quickly. As the evening progressed however, it appeared that nobody would join him at 4-0. Scott Zingheim (2276) and Larry Chachere (2227) agreed to split the point, as did Yedidia and Kurt Stein (2253), an ex-Illinois resident now living in the Detroit area. For Yedidia, it was an especially tough day, as he could subsequently only draw his adjournment. Harrison continued his upsetting ways, this time holding Indiana Master Lester Van Meter (2264) to a draw. Soltis finally joined Acosta atop the leader board by smashing Angelo Sandrin (2264) with a swift kingside attack, and then winning his adjournment with accurate endgame play. The showdown of remaining perfect scores would be Monday morning.

# THE USCF MEETINGS IN FT. WORTH . . . SOME THOUGHTS

EDITORIAL

By Helen Warren, USCF  
Delegate from Illinois

There's an old adage quoted by Jesuits in teaching ecclesiastical history, "The church *must* have been divinely instituted to have survived the persistent ineptitude and sometime moral mischief of its leaders." Jesuits are rarely entirely wrong. When the last gavel fell at the USCF business meeting in Ft. Worth last August, the line of thirty-five years ago from the mouth of a crusty old Jebbie sprang to mind. Indeed, the gods must at least be the foster parents of the USCF.

Only a small segment of USCF's 53,000 members has a genuine interest in proceedings from the workshops and business meetings held annually in conjunction with the Open itself--and these are primarily a small coterie of chess politicians from around the country, representatives of state associations, organizers, and tournament directors. But their decisions affect the entire USCF membership and set the course for the future direction of the Federation, so they are powerful beyond their mere number. But after Ft. Worth I had a long shot hunch that the time may be fast approaching when the layman-player may find his interest quickened as the actions of this elite corps are felt in the tournament hall and at the chess club. And there's no more tender spot on the corpus of a chess player than his posterior--where he keeps his wallet.

The Big News out of Ft. Worth (Next to GM Walter Brown's appeal to the delegates for a "fair shake" on a last round pairing) was the 25% dues increase--from \$20 to \$25 for an adult membership. Juniors were once again a favored group as their dues went up from \$10 to \$12--20%, while the protected quasi-membership, the Participating Junior, went up a modest 16%, from \$3 to \$3.50--and this only after some dogged efforts to exempt it altogether from increase. Why was a dues increase needed? Mostly because a whopping \$112,000 deficit for the quarter (April 1-June 30) surfaced shortly before the meetings, a deficit which as late as April-May was forecast at "about \$20,000."

Certainly a dues increase was needed, perhaps even overdue. What some delegates raised an eyebrow about was the suddenness of the discovery--and its belatedness. (The other eyebrow may soon be raised, too; an even larger deficit for the following (July-Sept. 30) quarter has just come to light: \$150,000 all items considered, as reported to me by USCF President Steve Doyle.) The gloomy picture was presented to interested folk at the Finance Committee Workshop attended by only two Policy Board members and the Executive Director, Gerry Dullea. It almost seemed as if USCF Treasurer Myron Lieberman and Dullea had been left out on the line to dry by the rest of the PB--and take their lumps, they did. This workshop was by all odds the most ill-prepared and poorly presented forum on the subject I've ever attended, characterized by beard stroking, head scratching, and pregnant pauses unequalled in the ten years I have been attending these soirees. The bottom line was simple to read and needed little interpretation: the inane cosmetic job done on the proposed USCF budget the year before in Pasadena was peeling. Revenues from memberships that never materialized, overspending in some areas, the fallout from a decrease in tournament activity--other factors, too--combined to produce the bad news. And then there's the relentless problem caused by maturing Life Memberships and the obligation that comes with every one of them.

But why didn't the news surface (at least publicly) between May and August? Well, according to one USCF Policy Board member, there was a USCF election campaign going on and revealing it might "cloud the real issues." This tells more about chess pols than they think; the delegates' *right to know* plays second fiddle to the politician's *eagerness for election*. Not that it mattered except that the margin of victory for some PB members elected would probably have been even greater than it was.

But wait! Where there's a Peter, there's a Paul! With a deficit big enough to choke an elephant, the delegates voted to give part of the pie back to the state associations, \$1 from

every adult, undiscounted membership, about \$16,000 in full for 1985-1986, according to Executive Director Dullea. The revenue sharing lobby has been waiting a long time for this and they came with full muskets, well prepared, well drilled, and politically astute: their support for any dues increase would depend upon the passing of the revenue sharing motion. USCF leaders who had poo-poo'ed revenue sharing over the years and even called it "insane", were quick to do a turn in the political swivel chair. How this plan would be implemented, what happens to programs previously supported by the federation NOT under state association aegis, and a multitude of other questions called "trivial" by motion-makers were given short shrift. Ah, that raster chess had a lobby like that!

But a lot else happened in Ft. Worth, too, some of it relatively important. USCF honored three hard working individuals who have contributed much over the years: Pearle Mann of Milwaukee, George Tiers of Minnesota, and Lynne Babcock of Texas. Jose Cuchi received the Koltanowski Gold Medal and the Mass. Chess Association the Kolty Silver Medal.

1985 is officially designated "The Year of the Chess Club". "Sudden Death" time control was adopted as a permissible pace for 2nd time control's in non-Grand Prix events after a first control of at least 30 moves per player and 60 min. total time.

A new editor was named to succeed Frank Elley. He is Larry Parr, author of Viktors Pupols, American Master and frequent contributor to Chess Life and Northwest Chess. Cigarette and liquor advertising, formerly a no-no in CL, will no longer be barred.

RVPs may now get free mailings of Policy Board communications (BINFOS) upon request. This may startle some RVPs who have elevated the art of doing nothing to an ethereal level. When confronted with something to read they may inadvertently be spurred to do some work.

Other interesting work shops were held: Chess Life, the CJA annual meeting (journalists), the computer committee, a very hard-working and productive body of people. The FIDE workshop and Postal Chess Committee provided stimulating discussion.

The 1985 U.S. Open will be in Hollywood, Florida and will return to its longer, 12-format. In 1986 Great Gorge Resort in New Jersey will play host from Aug. 3-15.

Epilogue....

Sometimes it's tough to churn up confidence in the USCF hierarchy and criticism is often all too easy. I have confidence in many of the individuals now serving on the Policy Board to start afresh, institute financial procedures which will guarantee *accountability*, and explore intelligent and innovative avenues of fund raising. But most of all, the establishment of priorities is a long overdue task. We cannot be all things to all men. Where do we want to go? Is our aim to be a service organization to our membership core, the tournament player? Do we want to throw our energies into manufacturing numbers, treading a perpetual mill of players who come in one year and leave the next? Should we concentrate on developing a comprehensive and solid scholastic program that will improve the *quality* of youth chess? Is our aim to produce world class players of excellence? These are the big questions. Until we establish priorities we are drifters. But as they say, "...not to worry." The holidays are coming and the federation is, after all, in the lap of the gods.

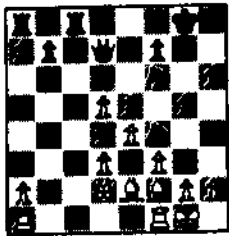
# UNDER THE MICROSCOPE

By Albert Chow

Walk into a tournament and you often hear chessplayers exclaim, "I have the advantage of the two bishops!" But why? Are a bishop and a knight or two knights really weaker than a pair of bishops? Sometimes yes, sometimes no. The answer depends on the characteristics of each individual position. The following three games from this year's Master Challenge tournament might shed some light on the subject.

Todd Miller(2294)-GM Roman Dzindzichashvili English

1 c4 e5 2 Nc3 Bb4! 3 Nf3 Bxc3 4 bxc3 (4 dxc3) d6 5 e4?! (Now White's king bishop is a problem. 5 g3 and 6 Bg2 is correct) Nf6 6 d3 0-0 7 Be2?! (7 g3 is still correct because White should aim for an eventual Nh4 followed by f4) Re8 8 0-0 c6! 9 Bg5 h6 10 Bh4?! (To have any chance of equalizing White should try 10 Bxf6 Qxf6 11 Ne1 with the twin ideas of Bg4 to trade the ugly bishop off, and g3-Ng2-f4) Nbd7 11 Ne1 g5! 12 Bg3 Nf8 13 f3 Ng6 14 Bf2 d5 15 cxd5 cxd5 16 Nc2 Be6 17 Ne3 Qd7 18 c4 d4 19 Nd5 Bxd5! 20 cxd5 Nf4 21 Qd2 Rec8

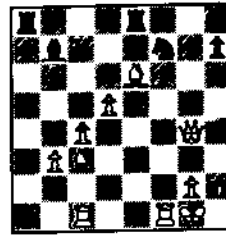


AFTER 21...Rec8

Bc2 Nd7 30 g3 Nh3+ 31 Kg2 Nxf2 32 Kxf2 Nc5 33 Ke2 b5 followed by ...b4, a5, a4 and possibly ...Kf8-e7-d6 would win easily. If instead 29 Be2 Nxe2 30 Rxe2 Rxd3 and Black is simply a pawn ahead since 31 Rc2? Rd1+ loses) 29 Rxe2! Rxd1+ 30 Be1 Nd7 (Now 30...Rxd3 31 Rc2 Rd1 32 Kf2 gives White an excellent game due to the passed d-pawn and the threat of Rc7) 31 Kf2 Nc5 32 Rc2! Rc1? (The losing move. Either 32...Nxd3+ 33 Ke2 Rxe1+ 34 Kxd3, or 32...b6! 33 Ke2 Rb1 should have been tried) 33 Rxc1 Nxd3+ 34 Kf1! (This must be the move Black missed. 34 Ke2? Nxc1+ 35 Kd1 Nxa2 loses) Nxc1 35 Bb4! Nd3 (35...Nxa2 36 Ba3 and the d-pawn queens) 36 Ba3 Nf4 37 d6 Ne6 38 d7 f6 39 Be7 Kf7 40 d8/Q Nxd8 41 Bxd8 b6 42 Ke2 Ke6 43 g4 b5 44 Kd3 a6 45 Kc2 Kf7 46 Kb3 Ke6 47 Kb4 Kf7 48 Kc5 d3 49 Ba5 Ke6 50 Kc6 Ke7 51 Bb4+ Ke6 52 a3 1-0

DM Leonid Basc-Lawrence Quigley(2226) Nimzo-Indian

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e3 b6 5 Ne2 Ba6 6 a3 Bxc3+ (In the previous game, when Black exchanged this bishop he doubled White's c-pawns as compensation. In this game there are no doubled pawns, so perhaps 6... Be7 is better) 7 Nxc3 d5 8 b3 0-0 9 a4 Nc6 10 Ba3 Re8 11 Be2 Na5 (11...dxc4 12 b4!) 12 0-0 c6?! (Black should create counterplay against White's pawns with 12...dxc4 13 bxc4 e5! or 13...Qd7. Maybe he feared 12...dxc4 13 b4? Nb3 14 Rb1, but 14...Nd5! 15 Qc2 Qe7! is the solution) 13 Bb4! Nb7 14 Nb5! Qd7 15 Rcl Rec8 16 Qd2 Ne4?! (The knight is misplaced, waiting to be kicked by f3. Now or next move Black should capture 16...Bxb5 17 axb5 c5, and an interesting bishops vs. knights battle would take place) 17 Qb2 Nd8?! 18 f3 cxb5? (This allows White to open lines. 18...Nf6 is better) 19 axb5 Bxb5 20 fxe4 Bc6 21 exd5 exd5 22 e4! dxe4 23 d5 Bb7 24 Qe5 f6 25 Qxe4 Nf7 26 Bg4 Re8 27 Be6 Qc7 28 Qg4 Kh8 29 Bc3



AFTER 29 Bc3

Eugene Martinovsky(2355)-Peter Bereolos(2181) Grunfeld

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 d5 4 Nf3 Bg7 5 Qb3 dxc4 6 Qxc4 0-0 7 e4 a6 (Alternatives include 7...Na6, ...c6, ...Bg4, ...Nf7, and ...Nc6) 8 Bf4 (8 e5 is more dangerous) b5! 9 Qxc7 Qxc7 10 Bxc7 Bb7 (10...b4? 11 Nd5) 11 e5 Nd5 (In return for the sacrificed pawn Black leads in development, White's dark squared bishop is misplaced, and White's central pawns are weak) 12 Ba5 (12 Nxd5 Bxd5 13 Be2 Rc8 14 Ba5 Nc6 15 Bc3 b4 16 Bd2 f6! and Black soon recovers his pawn) Nc6! (12... Nf4 threatening 13...Nc6 or 13...f6 sets some surprising traps, such as 13 0-0-0? Nh3!) 13 Nxd5 Nxa5 14 Nxe7+ Kh8 15 Rcl (Black threatened to win the knight at e7 with 15...Rfe8. The other way to protect it was worse, 15 d5 Rfe8 16 d6 Bxf3 17 gxf3 Bxe5) f6? (More accurate was 15...Rfe8, e.g. 16 Rc7 Bf8 17 b4 Rxe7 18 Rxe7 Bxe7 19 bxa5 Bb4+, or 16 b4 Rxe7 17 bxa5 f6 transposing into the game) 16 b4 Rfe8 17 bxa5? (Why not 17 Rc7 when it's not clear Black has enough for two pawns?) Rxe7 18 Be2 fxe5 19 Nxe5? (The last drawing chance was 19 dxe5. Now White's pawns are split and Black's bishops rake) Bxg2 20 Rgl Bd5 21 f4 Rf8 22 Rg4 Be6 23 Rxg6 Rxf4 24 Rc6 Bd7 25 Rxa6 (25 Nxd7 hxg6) Bxe5 26 Ra8+ Be8 27 Rb6 Bxd4 28 Rd6 Rfe4 29 Kdl Rxe2 30 Rxd4 Kg7 31 Rd2 R2e4 32 a6 Ra4 33 Kcl Bc6 34 Rc8 Rxa6 35 Rdd8 Be4 36 Rg8+ Kh6 37 Rc3 Rf5 38 Rc5 Rxa2! 39 Kdl Bg6 40 Rxb5 Bh5+ 0-1

Michigan master Larry Quigley sent in the next interesting game played at the 1984 Western Open. He annotated the game himself, and his notes are very good, so I'm pleased to print them without any major changes.

Lawrence Quigley(2226)-James Ellis(2220) Nimzo-Indian

(Notes by Quigley) 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e3 c5 5 Ne2 cxd4 6 exd4 0-0 7 a3 Be7 8 d5 exd5 9 cxd5 Re8 (An immensely popular variation lately. White's 10 h3 isn't new, but it is comparatively rare. Also playable are 10 d6!?, 10 g3, and 10 Be3) 10 h3 Rc5 11 b4 Bb6 12 Na4 d6 13 Nxb6 Qxb6 14 Be3 Qd8 (After 14... Rxe3? 15 fxe3 Qxe3 16 Qd4! Qxd4 17 Nxd4 Nxd5 18 Rcl Nd7 19 Nb5 White has a large advantage) 15 g4?! (Too risky. Better is 15 g3 with about equal chances) Rxe3! (Brave, necessary, and correct! If White is allowed to play Bg2 and 0-0 without interference, then g5 will open a strong kingside attack) 16 fxe3 Ne4 17 h4 Bxg4? (Post mortem discussion between Quigley, Ellis, Van Meter, and Moore centered on 17...Qf6! 18 Rh2 Bxg4 19 Qd4 Qf3 and it is very difficult for White to untangle. 18 Qd4 Qf2+ 19 Kdl Qf3 is no improvement. After 17... Bxg4? White should easily consolidate his advantage) 18 Qd4! Qe7 19 Bg2 Nf6 20 Bh3?! (The simplest way to consolidate is 20 Rcl) Bf3 21 Rgl Bxd5 22 Nf4 Be4?! (Not 22...Nc6? 23 Nxd5. After 22...Bf3! however, there is no clear way for White to continue his attack) 23 Rxg7+! Kxg7 24 Nh5+ Kg6 (Ruling out 24...Kg8 and 24...Kh8, Black can try 24...Kh6 25 Qxf6 Qxf6 26 Nxf6 Bc6 27 Rdl, or 24...Kf8 25 Qxf6 Qxf6 26 Nxf6 d5 27 Nxe4 dxe4 28 Bf5 with a slight edge for White in each case) 25 Nxf6 Qxf6 26 Qxe4+ Kg7 27 Qg4+ Kf8? (The losing move. Best seems to be 27...Qg6 28 Rdl Qxg4 29 Bxg4 Nc6 30 Rxd6. Black may have feared 28 Qxg6+ hxg6 29 Bc8, but 29...a5! bails him out) 28 Qc8+ Kg7 29 Ra2



Qxh4+ 30 Kf1 Nd7 (What else? White threatens 31 Rg2+ or even 31 Qb7) 31 Rg2+ Kh6 32 Qxd7 Qf6+ 33 Qf5 Qa1+ 34 Kf2 Qb2+ 35 Kgl Qa1+ 36 Kh2 Qe5+ 37 Qxe5 dxe5 38 Rd2 and White won the endgame.

A few days after the end of the New York Open, I played in the New York International. It was without doubt the strongest tournament I've ever played in. It was hard for me to get used to seeing grandmasters such as Ljubojevic, Portisch, Browne, Adorjan, Sosonko, Larsen, etc. every day for two weeks, and I felt like I was in a dream. I ran out of money and had to skip eating for a few days, but it was worth it just to walk into McDonalds and see Ljubojevic, Kavalek, and Quinteros all eating french fries! I played four GMs and five IMs, and my final score was 3 wins, 6 losses. Here are three of the more interesting games I played from this tournament.

IM Kamran Shirazi-Albert Chow Vienna Game

1 e4 e5 2 Nc3 Nf6 3 g3 d5 4 exd5 Nxd5 5 Bg2 Nxc3 6 bxc3 Bd6 7 Ne2 O-O 8 O-O Nd7 9 c4 Nc5 10 Rb1 c6 11 d3 Bg4 (11...Qc7 equal) 12 h3 Bh5? (12...Bxe2 13 Qxe2 Qc7 is better) 13 g4 Bg6 14 f4 exf4 15 Nxf4? (15 d4! Ne6 16 Rxb7 leaves Black with weak pawns on f4 and c6) 17 Be3 Rfe8 17 Qf3 Re7! (This multi-purpose move over-protects f7 and b7 as well as preparing to double rooks) 18 Qf2! b6 19 Qf3 (White has succeeded in weakening the long diagonal, but the manoeuvre costs time) Rae8 20 Rbel Ne6! (Black exploits his e-file advantage to force simplification before White can consolidate. The threat is 21...Nxf4 winning a piece. Since 21 Nxe6 Rxe6 gives Black a slight edge, the following four moves are forced) 21 Nxf4 hxg6 22 Qxc6 Nd4! 23 Qxc7 Bxc7 24 Bf2 Nxc2 25 Rxe7 Rxe7 (This was the position I had in mind on my 20th move. White has the bishop pair and Black's g-pawns are doubled, but White's rook and dark squared bishop aren't particularly active. White has some weak pawns of his own, and all of the Black pieces are active. These were not the only reasons why I wanted this type of game. Shirazi has a reputation as a player who loves crazy tactical complications, and of course he was playing for a win against his untitled opponent. I felt he would be uncomfortable psychologically) 26 d4 Bf4 27 c5 Nb4 28 Rd1 (White avoids 28 a3 Nd3 which soon leads to opposite colored bishops) Nxa2 29 c6 Nc3 30 Rd3 Nb5 31 d5 Nd6 (The pawns are blocked and Black is ahead one pawn. Yet White is still able to draw because his active pieces prevent the a and b-pawns from advancing) 32 Kf1 Kf8 33 Ra3 f6 34 Bf3 g5 35 Be2 Ke8 36 Bd3 Kd8 37 Bg6? (White passes up a beautiful draw. 37 Bxb6+! axb6 38 Ra8+ Kc7 39 Ra7+ Kd8 40 Ra8+ Nc8 41 Bf5 Rc7 42 Ke2 g6 43 Be6! and Black can't make any progress!) Kc8 38 Ra4 Kb8 39 h4 Re5 40 Rd4 Nb5 41 Rd3 Kc7 42 hxg5 fxg5? (42...Rxxg5 should win) 43 Bf7 Kd6 44 Rh3 Re7 45 Bg8 Re8 46 Be6 Nc7 47 Bd7 Re5 48 Bd4 Re7? (After 48...Rxd5 49 Bxxg7 Rd1+ 50 Ke2 Rd2+ 51 Ke1 Kd5 everything is under control) 49 Rd3! (Suddenly there is the threat of 50 Bb2 and 51 Ba3) Nxd5 50 Bb2 Re3 51 Ba3? (The last chance was 51 Rd1!, e.g. 51...Be5? 52 Rxd5+! Kxd5 53 Bxe5 Kxe5 54 c7 or 51...g6 52 Bg7) Kc7! 52 Rxd5 Rxa3 (Now the rest is a matter of technique) 53 Be8 Rf3+ 54 Kg2 Re3! 55 Bd7 a5 56 Rf5 Re7 57 Rf8 b5 58 Ra8 Kb6 59 Bf5 a4 60 Kf3 Kxc6 61 Ra6 Kb7 62 Re6 Rc7 63 Ke2 a3 64 Be4+ Ka7 65 Re8 Kb6 66 Ra8 b4 67 Bd5 Kc5 68 Bg8 Rd7! 69 Rc8+ Kb6 70 Ra8 Kb5 71 Bb3 Rd2+ 72 Ke1 Rd3 73 Bf7 b3! 74 Rxa3 b2 75 Rxd3 b1/Q+ 76 Rd1 Qe4+ 77 Kf2 Qc2+ 0-1

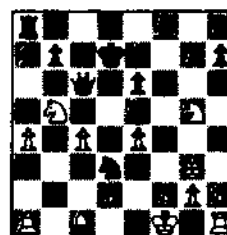
Albert Chow-GM Leonid Shamkovich Modern Benoni

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nf3 c5 4 d5 exd5 5 cxd5 d6 6 Nc3 a6 7 a4 g6 (Black's somewhat unusual move order takes the sting out of lines with Bg5, but also limits him to Nbd7 vs. the classical variation, since Na6 is out) 8 Nd2 Nbd7 9 e4 Bg7 10 Be2 O-O 11 O-O Re8 12 Ra3 Bb8 13 Re1 h5?! (A new idea. The thematic 13...Ne5

14 h3 g5 is also possible) 14 h3 Nf8 15 a5 N8h7 16 Qc2 Nd7 17 Nc4 Ne5 18 Nb6 Qh4 (Black's queenside is paralyzed, a real accomplishment for White in the Benoni. Shamkovich probably didn't care because he planned to smash my kingside with some sac on h3! However there's no reason why this crude attack should work since White hasn't made any obvious errors) 19 Nd1 Ng5?? (This loses instantly. White retains the advantage after 19...Nf6 20 Bf1 or 19...g5 20 Nxc8 Rbxc8 21 Ne3, but these were the lesser evils. Now 20 g3? Nxb3? 21 Kg2 Qd8 22 Nxc8 Qxc8 23 Rh1 would be nice, but instead Black plays 20...Qxe4! So all White has to do is guard the queen...) 20 Qa4! (...and Black must lose a piece. 20...Rf8 21 g3 etc. is hopeless so Black sacs, but he doesn't get enough) Nxb3+ 21 gxh3 Bxh3 22 Qb3 Bg4 23 Qg3 Qd8 24 f3 Bd7 25 Bg5 Qc7 26 Nxd7 Nxd7 27 Kh1 b5 28 axb6 Rxb6 29 Rxa6 Rxa6 30 Bxa6 Be5 31 Qf2 c4 32 Qe2 Nb6 33 Ne3 Qd7 34 Kg2 Bd4 35 Rd1 Bc5 36 Nxc4 Rb8 37 Nxb6 Rxb6 38 Bc4 1-0

GM Florin Gheorghiu-Albert Chow English

1 c4 c5 2 Nf3 Nf6 3 Nc3 d5 4 cxd5 Nxd5 5 e4 Nb4 6 Bc4 Be6! 7 Bxe6 Nd3+ 8 Kf1 fxe6 9 Ng5 Qb6? (I had good reasons for playing this move. It was first played Polugaevsky-Tal, Riga Interzonal 1979. White replied 10 Qe2 and eventually lost. 10 Qa4+ Nd7 11 Qc4 N7e5 12 Qxe6 was claimed to be good for White\*, but in my opinion it is Black who stands better after 12...Qxe6 13 Nxe6 Kd7 and now 14 Nxf8+ Raxf8 15 f3 g5 or 14 Ng5 h6 15 Nf3 Nxf3 16 gxf3 g5. But since Gheorghiu finds the refutation, I think 9...Nc6! is best) 10 Qf3! c4 (I had considered 10 Qf3 c4 in my home analysis, and was happy with both 11 Qf7+ Kd7 unclear and 11 b3 Qe6 12 bxc4 Qxc4) 11 b3! Qa6 12 a4!! (KA-BOOM! It only took him ten minutes to refute hours of homework. Nightmare variations like 12...cxb3? 13 Nb5 b2? 14 Qxd3! or 13...Nxc1 14 Rxc1 are the idea) Kd7 13 Nb5 Nc6 (Hoping for 14 Nxe6? Nce5 15 Qh3 Qxe6! 16 Qxe6+ Kxe6 17 Nc7+ Kd7 and the knight will be trapped) 14 bxc4 Nce5 15 Qg3 Qc6



AFTER 15...Qc6

Qxd3+ 19 Kgl and Black must find a way to stop 20 Qxb2, 20 Qxe6+, 20 Qc7+, etc.) 19 Rd1 (Threatening 20 Ke2, 20 Qg3, 20 Nxe6, etc., and 19...Kc8 20 Qxe6+ Qxe6 21 Nxe6 still wins the pinned knight) Rd8 20 Nxe6 1-0

\* [Editor's note: I believe I was the one who mentioned 10 Qa4+ to Albert. I remember seeing it in NORTHWEST CHESS, though I can't dig up the source or remember the analysis. Anyway, after 10 Qa4+ Nd7 11 Qc4 N7e5 12 Qxe6 Qxe6 13 Nxe6 Kd7, how about 14 Nxc5!]

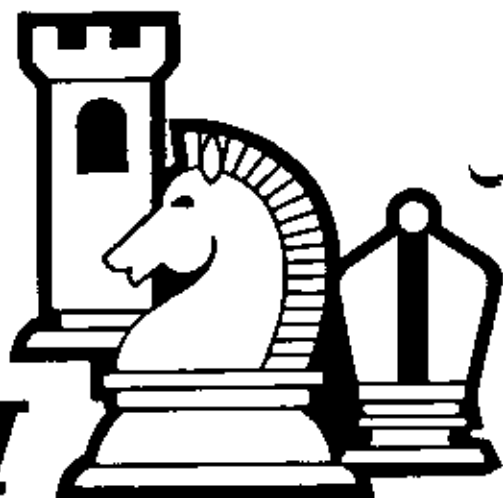
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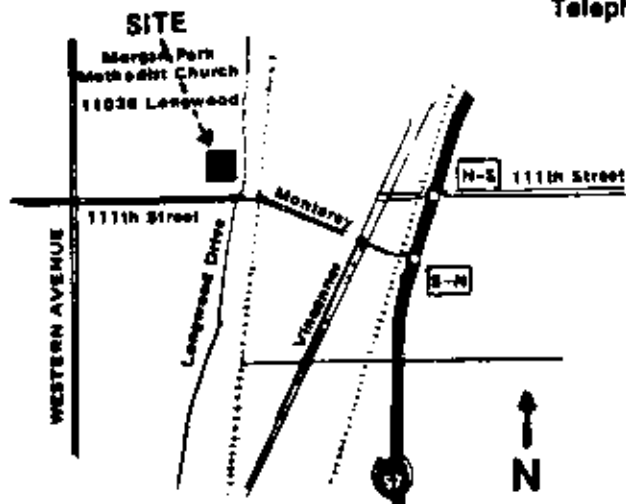
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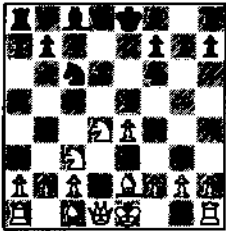
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AFTER 6...e5!

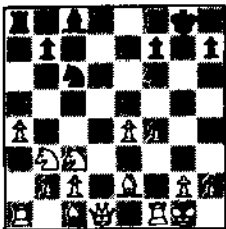
So why study the Boleslavsky? Its pawn structure is very thematic. The key is often whether Black can eliminate his backward pawn by achieving ...d5. If he can, he obtains a free and easy game with prospects of an advantage.

You'll also need to study it if you are going to play the Black side of the Sozin/Rauzer lines. Happily, I've found that 6 Be2 is far more common as one descends from the rarified rating levels of international players, so you WILL get plenty of chances to use it. And it's such a potent weapon! In fact I've never lost or even drawn a tournament game when I've played the Black side.

In practice the strength of the system is magnified because White players rarely choose the most testing variations. Restraining systems which make ...d5 difficult (e.g. 7 Nf3 followed by a queenside fianchetto, or ideas after Nb3 based on an early Bf3) are rarely played, probably because without the f4 pawn push, White gets little play for himself. The f4 push seems to be very popular, but I feel it merely gives Black dynamic chances.

A word of warning about the inadequacy of existing theory on the Boleslavsky. I know of only two major sources, ECO (section written by Suetin) and SICILIAN ...e5 by Harding and Markland. Since the Boleslavsky is almost never permitted in international play anymore, games and notes are usually old and suspicious. Both sources occasionally analyze the same position differently in two different places, by missing simple transpositions!

Before we start with the analysis, let's look at a position and a game:

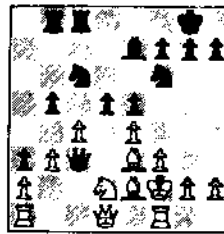


AFTER 10 a4

al weakness at b6 should tilt the equation in White's favor. However, Black can do a lot with the b4 square, while the b5 and b6 weaknesses turn out to be essentially meaningless. Black plays 10...Nb4!, and now ...d5 can't be stopped for long. In addition c2 is a weakness, possibly after a queen exchange on the d-file, or after ...Be6 and ...Rc8 where the knight at c3 is tied down, or in the trap 11 Bf3 Be6 12 Qe2? Nxc2 13 Qxc2 Qb6+, or even after 11 Bf3 Be6 12 Nd5?! Nfxd5 13 exd5 Bf5!

The Boleslavsky Variation of the Sicilian Defence is a virtually forgotten partner in the Sozin/Rauzer (6 Bc4/6 Bg5) complex. Until its advent just after WWII, 6 Be2 was the main line, and Black had to choose between a Dragon with 6...g6 or a Scheveningen with 6...e6. Now the Boleslavsky is so respected that you hardly ever see 6 Be2 played on the international level.

Another thing to notice is that 11 fxe5? dxe5 is a positional blunder, since White's e-pawn is isolated and opening the d-file is not a good idea with that c2 weakness. Finally, note that when Black wants to play ...d5 he should usually play ...exf4 first, as opposed to ...d5; fxe5, Nxe4, but there are exceptions.



AFTER 17...d5!!

Nxc8 Rfxc8! (It would seem more logical to put this rook at ...d8, but I saw he would have to play c4, or be crushed by ...Qc3 and ...Nb4. So if he's going to play 16 c4, I want my rooks at b8 and c8!) 16 c4 Qc3 17 Kf2? (Trying to fight for some dark squares, but...) 17...d5!! (SEE DIAGRAM) 18 Rcl? (Spoiling my fun! The variations are much prettier after 18 cxd5 Qxe3+! 19 Kxe3 Bc5+ 20 Kd3 Nb4+ 21 Kc3 Bd4+ 22 Kxb4 Bc3+ 23 Kxa3 Ra8 mate, or 18 exd5 Qxe3+! 19 Kxe3 Bc5+ 20 Kd3 Nb4+ 21 Kc3 Bd4+! 22 Kxb4 bxc4+ 23 Ka5 Ra8+ 24 Kb5 Rc5+ 25 Kb6 -25 Kb4 Nxd5 mate= Nd7+ 26 Kb7 Rb8+ 27 Ka6 Rb6+ 28 Ka7 Ra5 mate) 18...Qxe3+ 19 Kxe3 Bc5+ 0-1 A pity the best variations were left in the notes!

Here we see a position from Hood-Sprenkle, IL Open 1980, perhaps my best game with the Boleslavsky. The game began with 7 Nb3 Be7 8 O-O O-O 9 Be3 a5 10 f3? a4 11 Nd2 (Here 11 Nc1 is a little better) a3 12 b3? (White can't avoid queenside weaknesses. He should try 12 bxa3 Rxa3 13 Nb3, or 12 Rb1) Qa5! 13 Na4 (If 13 Nc1 then simply 13...d5, or if 13 Ndb1 Be6 and 14...d5) b5! 14 Nb6 Rb8 15

Now let's examine some variations:

- A. 7 Nf5? 7...Bxf5 8 exf5 d5+. Nuff said.
- B. 7 Ndb5? 7...a6 8 Na3 b5 9 Nd5 (Virtually forced unless White wants to try a ridiculous piece sac) 9...Nxe4 10 Bd3 f5! (To meet Qf3 with ...Nd4) is also terrible for White.
- C. 7 Nxc6?! 7 Nxc6 offers White nothing because he can no longer occupy d5 with a piece. Only very weak players have tried it against me, and I have always played ...Be7, ...O-O, ...Be6, and ...d5+. White's only hope to equalize is to play a quick f4.
- 7...bxc6  
8 O-O Be7  
C1 9 Qd3 Supposedly best, White plans to transfer his queen to the kingside and open lines with f4.
- 9...Nd7!  
10 Qg3 10 f4 exf4 11 Bxf4 Ne5 is similar.  
10...O-O  
11 f4 11 Bh6 Bf6 12 Rad1 Nc5 13 Bc4 Ne6 + Bogoljubov-Gligoric 1951.
- 11...exf4  
12 Bxf4 Ne5! = The key square for the knight. Taking it is very risky, e.g. 13 Bxe5 dxe5 14 Qxe5 Bd6 15 Qh5 Qb6+ 16 Kh1 Qxb2+.
- C2 9 f4 Nd7! Once again Black's knight prepares to occupy e5.  
10 f5 10 Qd3 transposes to C1.  
10...O-O  
11 Qd3 Bb7  
12 Qg3 White can't hold back ...d5 forever (...Nb6!)  
12...d5! Fuller-Taimanov, Hastings 1955-56 continued 13 Bh6 Bf6 14 Rad1 Kh8 15 Bcl d4 15 Nbl c5+.
- C3 9 Bc4 Allen-Sprenkle, Janesville 1983

continued 9...0-0 10 Be3 Be6 (10... Bb7!? 11 f4!) 11 Bxe6 fxe6 12 f4 exf4 13 Rxf4 e5 14 Rf5 g6 15 Rf1, and now 15...Qd7 and 16...Qe6 would have given Black the edge.

D. 7 Nb3  
Da (Bg5 ideas)  
7 Nb3 Be7

This looks pedestrian, but actually Black is taking steps to negate Bg5 while completing his development.

Dal 8 Bg5  
Dall 8...Nxe4

Now Black has a choice.  
Good enough for at least an easy equality, but there is very little play left.

9 Bxe7

9 Nxe4 Bxg5 10 Nxd6+ ("10 Nxg5 Qxg5 11 Qxd6 Qe7=" is given in ECO. But why not 11...Qxg2 12 0-0-0 Qg5+ and 13...Qe7+?) Ke7 11 Ne4 (11 Nxc8+ Rxc8=+/) Bh6 12 0-0 f5 and maybe Black has a small advantage.

9...Nxc3  
10 Bxd8 Nxd1  
11 Rxd1 Kxd8  
12 Rxd6+ Ke7!

-/+ Ivkov-Gligoric, Yugoslav Champ. 1951. Slightly better than 12...Ke7= as quoted in ECO, because the king should be at c7 to guard the b7 pawn from harassment after Nc5.

Dal2 8...0-0

Losing control of d5, but the resulting position is satisfactory for Black. It resembles a Lasker-Pelikan more than a Boleslavsky.

9 Bxf6  
9...Bxf6  
10 Nd5 Bg5

9 0-0 transposes to Da2.  
Like a Pelikan, but White's knight is at b3 rather than a3, certainly not an advantage.

Da2 8 0-0 0-0  
9 Bg5 Nxe4

9...Ne8 10 Bxe7 Nxe7 seems to be a satisfactory way to keep play in the position, according to Harding and Markland. But White would do better to play 10 Be3.

10 Nxe4

10 Bxe7 Nxc3 11 Bxd8 Nxd1 doesn't even get White his pawn back here.

10...Bxg5  
11 Qxd6

Supposedly equal, but maybe Black's bishops give him a small edge after 11...Be7 12 Qxd8 Rxd8.

Da3 8 h4

Yea, a Bg5 idea. White protects the g5 square so Bg5, Nxe4 becomes a blunder. Let me point out in passing that early kingside pawn storms are ridiculous for White because none of his pieces (especially his knights!) are placed for an attack there. Jim Harkins once played 8 g4?! against me, but after 8...0-0 9 g5 Ne8 I soon hit back with ...f5 and took the kingside initiative.

8...0-0  
9 Bg5 Be6  
10 Bxf6 Bxf6  
11 g3

Denying Black's bishop the g5 square, but White has neglected his development.

11...a5  
12 Nd5  
12...a4  
13 Nxf6+ Qxf6  
14 Nc1 Rfd8

12 a4 Nb4.  
15 c4 Nd4 "with good piece play", Harding and Markland. I think Black is very much better. Lines like 16... b5 17 cxb5 Rdc8 18 Bd3 Bc4 are in the air.

Db 9 f4

Easily the most common line against the Boleslavsky in my experience. White could get play down the f-file, but the main idea is to meet ...Be6 with f5 and then Bf3 (restraining ...d5) and a later kingside pawn storm. But White must now watch the a7-g1 diagonal, and ...d5 is hard to hold

back for long.

9...a5!

Db1 10 a4 Nb4!  
Db11 11 Be3 Be6!

More accurate than 11...exf4 as in Lawry-Sprenkle, Bend Lake 1982. In that game White erred with 12 Rxf4?! d5, better was 12 Bxf4 d5 13 e5 Ne4 equal.

12 Nd2

Not liking 12 f5 Bxb3 13 cxb3 d5 14 exd5 Nfxd5 which is probably +. 12 Kh1 exf4 13 Bxf4 transposes to Bereolos-Sprenkle, Western Open 1983, which continued 13...d5 14 exd5 Nfxd5 15 Nxd5 Nxd5 16 Nd4!? Nxf4 17 Rxf4 Bd7+. 12 Kh1 Qc7 may be even better, e.g. 13 Nd2?! d5! 14 fxe5 Nxe4 15 Bd4 Rfd8+ Handoko-Spassov, Indonesia 1982.

12...exf4  
13 Rxf4?

13 Bxf4 has got to be an improvement, though 13...d5 still gives Black the advantage.

13...d5  
14 e5 Nd7  
15 Bd4

15 Nf3 Qb8+ was Grunfeld-Boleslavsky Warsaw 1947, though 15...g5 16 Rd4 Bc5 seems to win the exchange and could be even better.

15...Nc6  
16 Nb3

Maybe he intended 16 Nf3, but then 16...g5!+.

16...Ndx5

Truong-Sprenkle, NY Open 83 cont. 17 Bxe5 Nxe5 18 Rd4 Nc6 19 Rd3 Nb4 and Black went on to win, though 19...d4! was probably better, e.g. 20 Nxd4 Nxd4 21 Kh1! Bf6! 22 Nb5 (22 Ne4 Bc4!) Nxb5! 23 Rxd8 Rfxd8+.

Db12 11 Kh1

This makes more sense than 11 Be3. White avoids a lot of tactical shots. 11...exf4 12 Rxf4! d5?! 13 exd5 Nfxd5 14 Rd4! The books give 11... Be6 12 f5 Bd7 as the mainline (12... Bxb3? 13 cxb3 d5 14 exd5 Nfxd5 15 Bf3! is no good here, since White played 11 Kh1 instead of 11 Be3). That is certainly playable.

12 Be3

ECO gives 12 Bf3 Bc6 13 Qe2 Qc7 14 fxe5 dxe5= Abramovic-Kuzmin, Kladovo 1980.

12...Rc8  
13 Rf2? Nxe4!

Boeredouga-J. Whitehead, Chicago 1983 (ICB 10-11/83) continued 14 Nxe4 Nxc2 15 Bd2 d5!+.

Db13 11 Bf3  
11...Be6!  
12 Kh1

Preventing ...d5 for the moment. Threatening 12...Nxc2 13 Qxc2 Qb6+ 12 f5 is supposedly a blunder, but it's not so clear. Black won after 12...Bc4 13 Re1? Nxc2 in Cortiever-Kottnauer 1949, and 13 Rf2?! Bxb3 14 cxb3 d5! with the idea of ...Bc5 isn't much better. But what about 13 Be2(!)? Black can try 13...Bxe2 (13...Bxb3 14 cxb3 d5 15 exd5 Nfxd5 16 Bf3 is once again unpleasant.) 14 Qxe2 d5 15 exd5 Nfxd5 16 Nxd5 Nxd5! (16...Qxd5 17 Rd1 Qc6 18 c3 is probably good for White) 17 Qxe5 Bf6

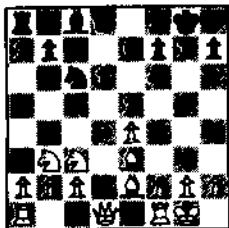
with lots of play. 13...Ba6!? is probably best though.  
 12...Rc8 12...exf4 13 Bxf4 d5 is good for equality, but no more. After 12...Rc8 Guldin-Boleslavsky, USSR 1949 cont. 13 f5 Bc4 14 Re1 Nd7 15 Nd2 Ba6 16 Nf1 Bxf1! 17 Rxf1 Nb6 18 Qe2 Bg5+, which shows that Black is not required to play for ...d5 at the earliest opportunity.

Db2 10 Be3 a4 Letting the pawn run free isn't very popular. Black's minor pieces can exploit the holes punched in White's queenside, as the following examples show.

Db21 11 Nc1 Balogh-Pachman, Bucharest now continued 11...a3 12 Nb3 (12 b3 Qa5!) axb2 13 Rb1 exf4 14 Bxf4 Nd7 15 Rxb2 Bf6+. Yepes-Sprenkle, World Open 1978 cont. 11...exf4 12 Rxf4 a3 13 bxa3 Rxa3 14 Nb3 Ne5 15 h3 (White feared 15...Nfg4 if he moved his queen) Be6 16 Qd4 (16 Nd5 Nfd7+) Qc8! (Controlling c4 in anticipation of Nb5 and c4) 17 Nb5 (17 Qb4 d5! 18 Qxe7 Rxb3!) Ra8 (+, since ...d5 is still in order and White has weak pawns) 18 Nxd6? Bxd6 19 Qxd6 Ng6 20 Rf3 Nxe4 21 Qd4 Nc3 22 Bf1 Rd8 23 Qb6 Ne5 24 Rf2 (24 Rg3? Ne4) Nc4 (+) 25 Qc5? Nxe3 26 Qxe3 Nd1+. In a minor piece firefight Black usually stays on top!

Db22 11 Nd2 White's knight aims for c4. Now Mohr-Sprenkle, IL Open 1975 went 11...exf4 12 Rxf4 a3 13 b3 Qa5! 14 Na4 (14 Nb5!? d5) d5 15 Nb6? Bc5! →. An interesting idea of Boleslavsky's is 11...a3 12 b3 Nd4!? 13 Nc4 b5! (we'll see this concept again later) 14 Bxd4? exd4 15 Nxb5 Nxe4 16 Bf3 d5 17 Bxe4 dxe4 18 Qxd4 Ba6! 19 Qxd8 Rfxd8 20 Nc7 Bxc4 21 bxc4 Ra4+ as in Lluboshits-Boleslavsky, USSR 1955.

Dc 9 Be3



Now Black has a choice. I've usually played 9...a5, and my opponents usually play f4, transposing into lines examined after 9 f4. But 9...Be6 is simpler and slightly safer. I'll look briefly at both moves:

AFTER 9 Be3

Dc1 9...a5!?  
 Dc11 10 f4  
 Dc12 10 f3?

Transposes to Db2. Obviously not a sensible move, see Hood-Sprenkle at the beginning of this article.

Dc13 10 a4 Nb4! Once again ...d5 can't be held back for long. 11 Bf3 11 f4 is usual, and transposes to Db11.

11...Be6  
 12 Qe2 Qc8! Combining the threat of ...Bc4 with pressure down the c-file, and forestalling a later pin on the d-file.

13 Rfc1 Bc4

14 Qd1 Qe6

With the idea of 15...Nxc2! White was being totally outplayed to this point in Nedeljko-Milic, Yugoslav Champ. 1951.

Dc14 10 Nd2!

It's only this move that makes 9...a5 even slightly suspect. The knight heads for c4 and then b6.

Dc141 10...Nd4!?

An interesting idea which may be better than 10...d5.

11 Nc4

11 Bxd4! exd4 12 Nb5 Qb6 13 a4!+ (Paoli) is annoying, because Black doesn't have an easy way to activate his two bishops. But a little digging could turn something up.

11...b5!

12 Bxd4  
 12...bxc4  
 13 Be3 Be6

Forced.

With a dynamically equal position. Hamm-Sprenkle, Peoria 1978 continued 14 f4!? exf4 15 Rxf4 Nd7 16 Nd5 Bg5 17 Rf2 Bxe3 18 Nxe3 Qb6 19 Nxc4 Bxc4 20 Bxc4 Nf6 (20...Qxb2!?) 21 Bd5 Rae8 22 b3 Nxe4 23 Bxe4 Rxe4=.

Dc142 10...d5

11 exd5 Nxd5  
 12 Nxd5 Qxd5  
 13 Nc4 Qxd1  
 14 Rfxd1 Be6  
 15 c3  
 15...f5  
 16 Nd6 Nd4!  
 17 Bxd4 Bxd6  
 18 Bb6

15 Nd6 Nd4!

+ Paoli-Liptay, Debrecen 1970. Black isn't in any real trouble.

Dc15 10 Bf3 a4

11 Nd2  
 11...a3

10...Be6 transposes to Dc23. 11 Nc1 just misplaces the knight. This doesn't work quite as nicely as nicely as in Dc12, but it's still the best bet. At first I thought 11...Nd4 would be an improved version Dc141, but unfortunately White has 12 Bxd4 exd4 13 Ne21 Qb6 14 Nc4+. But 11...Be6 is interesting, the position after 12 Nd5 Bxd5 13 exd5 Nd4!? (Harding and Markland) is more or less equal.

12 b3! Nb4

12...Qa5?! 13 Nd5 Nxd5 14 exd5 with the idea of Nc4+.

13 Nc4 Be6  
 14 Nb6 Ra6  
 15 Nbd5

15 Nca4 d5 16 exd5 Nbd5 17 Nxd5 Nxd5 18 Be5 occurred in Karaklajic-Gligoric, Opatija 1949, and now 18...b5 is better than 18...Qc7 19 Bxd5 Bxc5 20 Nxc5 Qxc5 21 Bxb7 Rd6 22 Qe2+ as quoted in ECO.

15...Nbx5  
 16 Nxd5 Nxd5  
 17 exd5 Bd7  
 18 Be2 Ra8  
 19 c4 f5=

Dc2 9...Be6

Dc21 10 Qd2 a5

Especially now that the knight can't retreat to d2!

11 a4 Nb4  
 12 f4  
 12...Rc8+

12 Rfd1 d5=. Thimmsen-Strauss, Lone Pine 81 continued 13 f5? Rxc3! 0-1! (14 Qxc3 Nxe4 15 Qe1 Nxc2+; 14 bxc3 Nxe4 15 Qe1 Nxc3+)

Dc22 10 f4 d5

11 f5

Or 10...exf4 11 Rxf4 Ne5! if a more dynamic game is desired. 11 fxe5 Nxe4=; 11 exd5 Nxd5 12 Nxd5 Bxd5=.

11...d4! Idelchik-Barsky, Vilnius 1953 cont.  
12 fxe6 fxe6 13 Bc4 dxc3 14 Bxe6+  
Kh8 15 bxc3 Qxd1 16 Raxd1 Nxe4=.

11...Be6! Now it's alright.

12 Nd5 Bxd5  
13 exd5 Nb4!

14 c4 a5! is at least equal, and 14  
Bc4 Qa5! 15 c3 (15 Bd2 or Qd2 are  
similar) Qc5! is great for Black.

Ec 9 b3 O-O  
10 Bb2 a6

The books usually give the move  
order beginning with 10...Be6, but  
once again there's no hurry to commit  
the bishop. Let's briefly look at  
10...Bg4 to examine a strong plan for  
White: 10...Bg4 11 Re1 Rc8 12 h3  
Bxf3 13 Bxf3 Nd4 14 Qd3 b5 15 Bd1!  
+ Smyslov-Ciocaltea, Moscow 1956.

Now if you'll look at Harding and  
Markland you'll see that after 10...  
Be6 they only give plans for White  
involving Qd2 and a rook to d1. Then  
a later ...Bxf3 and ...Nd4 is effect-  
ive because White's bishop is stuck  
at f3. But if White is sharp he'll  
play Re1, since ...d5 is most effect-  
ively prevented by controlling e5,  
not d5!

Smyslov has actually used this plan  
recently. Smyslov-Speelman, Hastings  
1981-82 continued 10...Be6 11 a3 Rc8  
12 Re1, and then the game lost all  
value when Speelman played ...Re8,g6,  
Bf8,Bg7 (+) and then fell into a com-  
bination. A setup of ...a6,Be6,Qa5,  
Rfd8,Rc8, etc. gives better chances  
and is important for the theory of  
the Boleslavsky. Note that White is  
only trying to restrain Black, he's  
got little to do himself.

with 11...b5 and ...Bb7. As long as  
Black's bishop stays off e6, Nd5 is  
not a problem!

23 10 Bf3 a5  
11 Nd5

The only constant move. Once  
again Black meets 10 a4 with 10...Nb4

11...Bxd5  
12 exd5 Nb8=

Heading for c5. There is really  
nothing White can do with his two  
bishops, and if he's not careful  
Black will exchange off the black-  
squared bishops and leave White with  
a bad bishop. For example, 13 a4?  
Nbd7 14 Be2 Nb6! 15 c4 Nbd7! 16  
Nd2 Ne8 17 Kh1 Bg5! 18 Bxg5 Qxg5  
19 Ra3 Qe7+ Pilnick-Petrosian, Buenos  
Aires 54.

E. 7 Nf3!?

Deceptively strong. White renounces  
the f4 pawn push, but doesn't mis-  
place the knight. Note that the nor-  
mal plan of ...a5 is senseless, but  
Black can get play with ...a6 and  
...b5 instead. I have almost no ex-  
perience against 7 Nf3, but I wouldn't  
expect to see it very often.

7...h6

This highlights another advantage  
of 7 Nf3, the knight covers g5! That  
makes 8 Bg5 a real positional threat  
(7...Be7?! 8 Bg5 Nxe4?? 9 Nxe4) and  
necessitates 7...h6.

8 O-O

8 Bc4 Be7 9 h3 (9 O-O Bg4 10 Be3  
Rc8 11 Bb3 O-O+ Suetin, but of  
course 11 Bd5! is better. I'm not  
sure ...Bg4 is the right idea at all)  
O-O 10 O-O Be6 11 Bb3 (11 Bd5 Bxd5;  
11 Bxe6?! fxe6 12 Nh4? Nxe4+) Na5  
12 Bd5! (12 Re1 Nxb3 13 axb3 Qc7 14  
Be3 a6 15 Qd3 b5+ L. Steiner-  
Bronstein, Iz 1948) Bxd5 13 Nxd5!  
Rc8 (13...Nxe4 14 Nxe7+ Qxe7 15 Qe1  
+) 14 Nxf6+ Bxf6 15 c3 Qd7 16 Nh2  
Bd8= Voronov-Kuzminikh, Leningrad  
1948.

8...Be7

It's important not to commit the  
queen's bishop too soon!

Ea 9 Be3 O-O  
10 Qd2 Be6  
11 Rad1 Qd7  
12 Qe1 Rfd8=

White is in no position to use d5.

Eb 9 Re1 O-O  
10 Bf1!

The most accurate, unveiling indir-  
ect pressure on the e-pawn to inhibit  
...d5. 10 h3 has been played to pre-  
vent ...Bg4, but it isn't necessary.  
After 10 h3 a6 Black is in no danger,  
e.g. 11 a4 Be6 12 b3 Rc8 13 Ba3 Qa5  
14 Qd2 Nd4! 15 Bb2 Nxe2+ (15...Qb4!?)  
16 Rxe2+ Broadbent-Unzicker, Staunton  
Memorial 1951.

10...a6!

Trying to encourage 11 a4. If 10...  
Be6 immediately then 11 Nd5 is awk-  
ward, e.g. 11...Bxd5 12 exd5 Nb4 13  
c4,a3,b4+. 10...Bg4 as recommended in  
ECO is very dubious. Suetin gives 11  
h3 Bxf3 12 Qxf3 Nd4 "x", but after  
13 Qd1 Black's position is very  
dreary unless he can get ...d5 in.  
But 13...d5? 14 exd5 Nxd5? 15 Nxd5  
Qxd5 16 c3+-, or 13...Rc8 14 Bd3 or  
Be3+.

11 a4

11 Nd5 Nxd5 12 Qxd5 (12 exd5 Nb8=,  
since Black hasn't conceded his white  
squared bishop) Be6 13 Qd1 b5 (plan-  
ning ...Bf6 and ...d5) 14 a4 b4=. If  
11 a3 or some such, Black can deploy

#### UPSETS AT THE CHESS CENTER IN ICA TORNADO II

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three John Tomas lost to newcomer Mariano  
Acosta. Colias, Small and Acosta scored 3-0.

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B McKay, and J Marshall who tied for top C. Top  
D went to A Bustamonte, M Paz, J Knight and R  
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5	SANDRIR, ANGELO	IL	2240	2241	2242	2243	2244	2245	2246	IL	1816	1815	1815
6	MALLACH, CLIFF H	IL	2102	2103	2104	2105	2106	2107	2108	IL	1784	1776	1776
7	YEDIDIA, JONATHAN	IL	2383	2384	2385	2386	2387	2388	2389	IL	1771	1766	1766
8	ZINGHEIM, SCOTT	IL	2301	2302	2303	2304	2305	2306	2307	IL	1766	1765	1765
9	STEIN, KURT W	MI	2253	2254	2255	2256	2257	2258	2259	IL	1761/4	1753	1753
0	ACOSTA, MARIANO A	IL	2252	2253	2254	2255	2256	2257	2258	IL	1753	1752	1752
1	CHACHERE, LAWRENCE	IL	2215	2216	2217	2218	2219	2220	2221	IL	1738	1737	1737
2	JAKSTAS, KAZIMIERA	IL	2147	2148	2149	2150	2151	2152	2153	IL	1734	1733	1733
3	HARRISON, WILLIAM	IL	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	IL	1718	1717	1717
4	DECKAN, STEPHEN J	IL	1723	1724	1725	1726	1727	1728	1729	IL	1692	1691	1691
5	KRAMER, CHARLES W	IL	2282	2283	2284	2285	2286	2287	2288	IL	1679	1678	1678
6	TUNAS, JOHN S	IL	2253	2254	2255	2256	2257	2258	2259	IL	1669	1668	1668
7	MORRIS, MATTHEW	IL	2132	2133	2134	2135	2136	2137	2138	IL	1664	1663	1663
8	ZABELL, SARDY L	IL	2105	2106	2107	2108	2109	2110	2111	IL	1664	1663	1663
9	HOLT, RONALD C	FL	2079	2080	2081	2082	2083	2084	2085	IL	1664	1663	1663
0	BATTERLEE, RAY DOY	IL	2040	2041	2042	2043	2044	2045	2046	IL	1656	1655	1655
1	WENEL, JEFF K	IL	2035	2036	2037	2038	2039	2040	2041	IL	1655	1654	1654
2	SORAK, STEVE S	IL	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	IL	1655	1654	1654
3	CONDON, JAMES K	IL	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	IL	1655	1654	1654
4	DOTTSON, JOHN B	IL	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	IL	1655	1654	1654
5	TEGEL, FRANK	IL	1926	1927	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932	IL	1655	1654	1654
6	LEE, TYRONE D	IL	1923	1924	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929	IL	1655	1654	1654
7	SEZUSTOKSKI, PAUL F	IL	1869	1870	1871	1872	1873	1874	1875	IL	1655	1654	1654
8	ALLISON, ROGER D	IL	1827	1828	1829	1830	1831	1832	1833	IL	1655	1654	1654
9	GILES, MORRIS C	IL	2275	2276	2277	2278	2279	2280	2281	IL	1655	1654	1654
0	MAROVITCH, MARK	IL	2090	2091	2092	2093	2094	2095	2096	IL	1655	1654	1654
1	PLESS, DAN J	IL	2039	2040	2041	2042	2043	2044	2045	IL	1655	1654	1654
2	FIRESTONE, CHRIS	IL	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	IL	1655	1654	1654
3	PALMQUIST, WAYNE	IL	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	IL	1655	1654	1654
4	SERV, JLN LARRY	IL	1919	1920	1921	1922	1923	1924	1925	IL	1655	1654	1654
5	LIPTEH, LEON	IL	1899	1899	1899	1899	1899	1899	1899	IL	1655	1654	1654
6	SEDLICKY, ERVIE F	IL	1896	1897	1898	1899	1900	1901	1902	IL	1655	1654	1654
7	WELBY, GUY LESLEY	IL	1878	1879	1880	1881	1882	1883	1884	IL	1655	1654	1654
8	SCHREIBER, JAMES A	IL	1827	1828	1829	1830	1831	1832	1833	IL	1655	1654	1654
9	SCHREIBER, TODD	IL	1814	1815	1816	1817	1818	1819	1820	IL	1655	1654	1654
0	GUICHARDOFF, MIKOLA	IL	1754	1755	1756	1757	1758	1759	1760	IL	1655	1654	1654
1	SPRAG, FRANCO	IL	1745	1746	1747	1748	1749	1750	1751	IL	1655	1654	1654
2	FRISKE, THOMAS G	IL	1598/10	1599	1600	1601	1602	1603	1604	IL	1655	1654	1654
3	LEVIN, BOY	IL	1565	1566	1567	1568	1569	1570	1571	IL	1655	1654	1654
4	DALL, ROBERT C	IL	2108	2109	2110	2111	2112	2113	2114	IL	1655	1654	1654
5	STILL, PETER	IL	2072	2073	2074	2075	2076	2077	2078	IL	1655	1654	1654
6	VESELY, PETER M	IL	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	IL	1655	1654	1654
7	SAJENDRA, DAVID	IL	1899	1899	1899	1899	1899	1899	1899	IL	1655	1654	1654
8	GLICK, ROBERT S	IL	1869	1869	1869	1869	1869	1869	1869	IL	1655	1654	1654
9	BUTTAY, WILLIAM P	IL	1830	1830	1830	1830	1830	1830	1830	IL	1655	1654	1654
0	BURTON, WARD C	IL	1829	1829	1829	1829	1829	1829	1829	IL	1655	1654	1654
1	READ, RYAN	IL	1816	1816	1816	1816	1816	1816	1816	IL	1655	1654	1654
2	MOORE, PAUL L	IL	1784	1784	1784	1784	1784	1784	1784	IL	1655	1654	1654
3	JOHNSON, BRUCE L	IL	1771	1771	1771	1771	1771	1771	1771	IL	1655	1654	1654
4	ASBURY, CLARENCE	IL	1766	1766	1766	1766	1766	1766	1766	IL	1655	1654	1654
5	VON HIPPEL, PAUL M	IL	1753	1753	1753	1753	1753	1753	1753	IL	1655	1654	1654
6	SEFCHECK, MARK M	IL	1753	1753	1753	1753	1753	1753	1753	IL	1655	1654	1654
7	KOCJAN, WALTER	IL	1738	1738	1738	1738	1738	1738	1738	IL	1655	1654	1654
8	BAUMANN, HERBERT A	IL	1738	1738	1738	1738	1738	1738	1738	IL	1655	1654	1654
9	MARSHALL, KENNETH	IL	1718	1718	1718	1718	1718	1718	1718	IL	1655	1654	1654
0	KAST, BYRON	IL	1692	1692	1692	1692	1692	1692	1692	IL	1655	1654	1654
1	HELOVESICK, MICHAEL	IL	1679	1679	1679	1679	1679	1679	1679	IL	1655	1654	1654
2	GIUO, CARLOS J	IL	1612	1612	1612	1612	1612	1612	1612	IL	1655	1654	1654
3	HEINRICH, JOEL G	IL	1561	1561	1561	1561	1561	1561	1561	IL	1655	1654	1654
4	SOMMERS, TIZY	IL	1549	1549	1549	1549	1549	1549	1549	IL	1655	1654	1654
5	SHAPIRO, GREG	IL	1527	1527	1527	1527	1527	1527	1527	IL	1655	1654	1654
6	STONE, GEORGE G	IL	1508	1508	1508	1508	1508	1508	1508	IL	1655	1654	1654
7	SOLICICH, KEVIN G	IL	1457	1457	1457	1457	1457	1457	1457	IL	1655	1654	1654
8	BURKE, J MARCELLUS	IL	1438	1438	1438	1438	1438	1438	1438	IL	1655	1654	1654
9	GUSSAGE, JOHN L	IL	1335	1335	1335	1335	1335	1335	1335	IL	1655	1654	1654
0	KUBEN, RONALD E	IL	1966	1966	1966	1966	1966	1966	1966	IL	1655	1654	1654
1	FRANEK, MARTIN J	IL	1879	1879	1879	1879	1879	1879	1879	IL	1655	1654	1654
2	TYMA, EUGENE M	IL	1877	1877	1877	1877	1877	1877	1877	IL	1655	1654	1654
3	WILHELM, JOHN H	IL	1712	1712	1712	1712	1712	1712	1712	IL	1655	1654	1654
4	JOHNSON, ROBERT A	IL	1694	1694	1694	1694	1694	1694	1694	IL	1655	1654	1654
5	BRONN, ARTHUR	IL	1664	1664	1664	1664	1664	1664	1664	IL	1655	1654	1654
6	HUMTER, DAVID J	IL	1633	1633	1633	1633	1633	1633	1633	IL	1655	1654	1654
7	WILSON, STEPHEN R	IL	1593	1593	1593	1593	1593	1593	1593	IL	1655	1654	1654
8	MARKSHALL, JAMES A	IL	1456	1456	1456	1456	1456	1456	1456	IL	1655	1654	1654
9	FRUEK, RANDY J	IL	1455	1455	1455	1455	1455	1455	1455	IL	1655	1654	1654
0	GRANKA, JASON	IL	1173	1173	1173	1173	1173	1173	1173	IL	1655	1654	1654
1	RACE, THOMAS C	IL	1862	1862	1862	1862	1862	1862	1862	IL	1655	1654	1654
2	SOLTIS, PARCH	NY	1743	1743	1743	1743	1743	1743	1743	IL	1655	1654	1654
3	ROMER, ROGER S	IL	1733	1733	1733	1733	1733	1733	1733	IL	1655	1654	1654
4	SIMONIC, JACK A	FL	1670	1670	1670	1670	1670	1670	1670	IL	1655	1654	1654
5	SWANSON, VICTOR U	IL	1635	1635	1635	1635	1635	1635	1635	IL	1655	1654	1654
6	ELLIOTT, JAMES R	IL	1611	1611	1611	1611	1611	1611	1611	IL	1655	1654	1654
7	BARTUCCI, MARIO PR	IL	1611	1611	1611	1611	1611	1611	1611	IL	1655	1654	1654
8	BLAINE, ALEX	OH	1493	1493	1493	1493	1493	1493	1493	IL	1655	1654	1654
9	NEED, JAMES M	IL	1447	1447	1447	1447	1447	1447	1447	IL	1655	1654	1654
0	KATKI, MICHAEL	IL	1412	1412	1412	1412	1412	1412	1412	IL	1655	1654	1654
1	OSTROVSKY, BERNARD	IN	1386	1386	1386	1386	1386	1386	1386	IL	1655	1654	1654
2	SLAGLE, STEVE S	IL	1336	1336	1336	1336	1336	1336	1336	IL	1655	1654	1654
3	FRANCO, ANDREW	IL	1116/10	1116/10	1116/10	1116/10	1116/10	1116/10	1116/10	IL	1655	1654	1654
4	FISCHER, GREGORY A	IL	1900	1900	1900	1900	1900	1900	1900	IL	1655	1654	1654
5	KLEIN, ROBERT L	IL	1497/9	1497/9	1497/9	1497/9	1497/9	1497/9	1497/9	IL	1655	1654	1654
6	CARRELL, BYRON J	IL	1403	1403	1403	1403	1403	1403	1403	IL	1655	1654	1654
7	CADISON, EUGENE A	IL	1297	1297	1297	1297	1297	1297	1297	IL	1655	1654	1654
8	CHENEY, BRUCE C	IL	1196	1196	1196								







AMELUNG, A (MO)	891	MILBRATZ, W (IL)	876
ANDERSON, A (IL)	859	NICKS, J (MO)	784
BACHLER, K (IL)	918	MURMI, R (IA)	727
BAUMANN, H (IL)	727	O'HEARN, J (OR)	724
BELICS, G (MO)	830	O'KEEFE, M (IL)	606
BENDER, F (IL)	874	OLTMAN, T (IL)	818
BETHEL, R (IL)	778	PETERSON, P (IL)	797
BROCK, B (IL)	921	POPE, R (IL)	777
BROWN, J (IA)	800	PRAY, R (IA)	823
CATINO, C (IL)	731	RAMIREZ, E (IL)	795
CHRISTEN, S (IL)	821	REARDON, J (IL)	840
COHEN, S (IL)	789	ROECKER, J (IL)	941
CONNOR, P (IL)	867	ROTHSCHILD, I (IL)	779
CROUSE, T (IA)	824	SANDER, D (IL)	746
DANGDY, F (IL)	783	SANDFORD, C (IL)	841
DAVIES, J (MO)	819	SCHREMSER, T (IL)	778
DEAKIN, J (IL)	775	SCORZA, S (IA)	779
DEMAURO, J (IL)	1077	SEDLOCK, E (IL)	823
ECKERT, D (MO)	874	SEXTON, C (IA)	922
EICHORN, G (IA)	863	SHOLL, P (IL)	678
ELLENWOOD, D (IL)	720	SILDMETS, A (NE)	800
FAWBUSH, G (MO)	944	SILLARS, A (IL)	898
FIELD, D (IA)	859	SIMS, L (IL)	959
FISHER, B (IL)	827	SMITH, M (IL)	880
GAPUZ, W (IL)	865	SOGIN, L (IL)	700
GENSLER, K (IL)	788	SPITZNAGEL, I (IL)	787
GLASCOCK, D (OK)	818	STOTLER, R (IL)	861
GUSTAFSON, G (IL)	824	SWICEGOOD, J (IL)	806
HAGENANN, M (MO)	788	TAYLOR, D (IL)	1148
HARNACH, C (IL)	751	TAYLOR, K (IL)	891
HARPER, R (MO)	805	VANDERLINDEN, E (IA)	824
HARRIS, W (IL)	899	WALHOUT, D (IL)	1043
HEALY, S (IL)	742	WALHOUT, P (IL)	810
HEIMBAUGH, M (IA)	728	WARREN, J (IL)	919
HERNANDEZ, M (IL)	724	WEISS, M (IA)	943
HEUSINKVELD, W (IA)	713	WERNER, L (IL)	865
HOBSON, M (IL)	782	WHITE, G (MO)	800
HOUSH, K (IL)	800	YOUNG, I (IL)	760
JABLONOW, V (IL)	877	ZAVANELLI, M (IL)	1058
JAMASON, R (IL)	848	ZIEGLER, K (IL)	820
JAMISON, L (IL)	700		
JOHNSON, B (IL)	764		
JOHNSON, J (IA)	858		
JUST, T (IL)	819		
KAPELA, R (IL)	818		
LAROSE, M (IL)	722		
LEGG, J (IL)	773		
LEMKE, D (IA)	770		
LEWIS, S (MO)	742		
LOOMIS, M (MO)	740		
LOVEN, D (IL)	768		
LUTHER, R (MO)	838		
MARTINDALE, J (IL)	895		
MCKINNEY, C (IL)	737		

Games rated for this issue were received by 11/10.

Greatest point gain by D Taylor, 36% of ratings changed.

### 1980 CONSOLATION FINALS...

We still have unreported contests in this event: LaRose-Fawbush and LaRose-Swicegood. If not reported by Nov. 25, these games will be closed out, scored as draws, and no rating points exchanged in the process. The consolation prize of \$40 and trophy will then be awarded.

1981 FINALS....this section has now completed play. Final and complete crosstable will appear in the Jan.-Feb., 1985 ICB.

1982 FINALS...These two 10-player sections are now in full swing. J Roecker was assigned as last qualifier in 82-F-1. In 82-F-2 Eckert, Eichhorn, and Luther have withdrawn, thus Eckert's score (0-9), Luther (1-8) and Eichhorn (2-7).

THE 1984 REGION VII POSTAL CHAMPIONSHIP is now taking entries. (See ad this issue.) Tim Just of Waukegan will direct this event. Yours truly will continue to direct the 1982 and 1983 events now in progress. Tim Just will make assignments around Jan. 1, so be sure to get your entries in! Out of state participants are welcome--and you can enter more than one prelim.

And let's remember that three day time control, gentlemen.....

### REGION VII TOP TEN

* DAVID TAYLOR (IL).....	1149
** JOE DEMAURO (NJ).....	1077
MAX ZAVANELLI (IL).....	1058
DAVID WALHOUT (IL).....	1043
LARRY SIMS (IL).....	959
GEORGE FAWBUSH (MO).....	944
MITCH WEISS (IA).....	943
JOHN ROECKER (IL).....	941
CHARLES SEXTON (IA).....	922
BILL BROCK (IL).....	921

\* 1980 ICA CHAMPION  
\*\* 1981 ICA CHAMPION

### QUALIFIERS FROM 1983 PRELIMS:

Max Zavanelli: 6-0 (83-1)  
Dave Taylor: 5-0 (1) (83-2)

In our last issue we ran crosstabes from the first four 1983 prelims. Following are crosstabes from the last three prelims, Sections 83-5, 83-6, and 83-7. We ask that players in these sections get a genuine move on; they are lagging in completing games.

PLAYERS 83-5	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1 P WALHOUT (IL)		0					
2 M ZAVANELLI (IL)	1						
3 R HARPER (MO)				0			
4 D FIELD (IA)			1				
5 E SEDLOCK (IL)						1	0
6 S HEALY (IL)					0		0
7 C SANDFORD (IL)					1	1	

PLAYERS 83-6	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1 B BROCK (IL)							
2 A SILDMETS (NE)							
3 I SPITZNAGEL (IL)						0	
4 R BETHEL (IL)							
5 I ROTHSCHILD (IL)							
6 T CROUSE (IA)			1				
7 K HOUSH (IL)							

PLAYERS 83-7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1 B FISHER (IL)		1			1		
2 F BENOFF (WI)	0		0	0	1		
3 E VANDEPLINDEN (IA)		1			1		1
4 T SILLARS (IL)		1			1	1	1
5 R LUTHER (MO)	0	0	0	0		0	0
6 N HOBSON (IL)				0	1		
7 R STOTLER (IL)			0	0	1		

# 1984 Region VII & ICA Postal Championship

A TWO ROUND QUALIFYING EVENT WITH A GAURANTEED PRIZE FUND OPEN TO ALL ICA MEMBERS AND TO MEMBERS OF THE MISSOURI STATE CHESS ASSOC., THE IOWA CHESS ASSOC., AND THE NEBRASKA CHESS ASSOCIATION. Players from other states may compete in this event, but are not eligible for state or regional titles.

The 1984 region VII (and 5th ICA Postal Championship) will be in preliminary sections of SEVEN players, playing a single round robin. TOP TWO scorers in each prelim will advance to the Championship Finals. Size and number of Finals depends upon number of prelim sections.

ICA or other state association membership is required for the duration of the event. Multiple entries are permitted, but you may advance to only ONE Finals section (taking your highest prelim score). Only one prize per person.

WEIGHTED POINTS will be used, with the games in the Finals sections counting 1.5 as much as prelim games. In case of ties, prize money will be split and S-B system will be used to break ties for trophy and title.

Players will receive rules sheet and score sheets with assignment. Entries open NOW with closing

date for entries on Dec. 10. Assignments will be mailed simultaneously on Dec. 31.

PRELIM SECTIONS WILL BE BALANCED AS FAR AS POSSIBLE BY STRENGTH AND GEORGAPHY.

## PRIZES

1st Place: \$150 + trophy  
2nd Place: \$100  
3rd Place: \$50

## ALL GAURANTEED!

ENTRY FEE: \$6.00

Entries open Now and will continue until DECEMBER 10. NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED after the 10th.

Send entries to the 1984 Postal Director. Checks should be made payable to the ICA.

1984 Postal Director: Tim Just,  
1521 Circle Ct.  
Waukegan, Il. 60085

## ENTRY FOR 1984 REGION VII POSTAL CHAMPIONSHIP

I would like to enter \_\_\_ section(s) of the 1984 Region VII Postal Championship. My present postal rating is \_\_\_ in \_\_\_.

I have no postal rating. My OTB rating is \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to begin/renew ICA, MCA, IA, NE

Membership \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

# TOURNAMENT CALENDAR

Abbreviations: RR-round robin, SS-swiss system, TL-time limit, EF-entry fee, \$\$-prize fund, b/-based on ( ) entries. All phone numbers are area code 312 unless otherwise noted.

Call (312)-238-8500 for recorded messages on tournament results and upcoming events. Call regularly, as some events are scheduled at the last minute and don't always make the CHESS LIFE or ICB listings.

Nov. 24-25 ILLINOIS CLASS CHAMPIONSHIPS  
A Maxi-Tour Event. See full page ad for details.

Dec. 1 Peoria 4th Quarter Novice and Quad  
Novice: 4SS; EF:\$5, Jrs \$4; TL:30/45; \$\$:60, 30 1st.  
Quads: 3RR; EF:\$8; TL:30/1; \$\$:25 1st each section.  
Bradley Univ. Student Center Cafeteria, 901 N. Elmwood.  
Call Wayne Zimmerle at (309)-688-3490.

Dec. 1 North Boone Rated  
4SS; EF:\$5, Jrs \$3; TL:30/1; Trophies to top 3, D/E/UN.  
North Boone HS, 17641 Poplar Grove Rd., Poplar Grove.

Dec. 1-2 MIDWEST TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

Open to teams of 4 players (ave. rating under 2100) and 1 alternate. 4SS; EF:\$60(team); TL:40/2; \$\$:under 2100 300-150, under 1950 200-100, under 1800 150-75. Mohr Community Center, Forest Park. Call Chris Musgrave at 386-5124.

Dec. 8-9 A King's Ransom, two one day events.  
Chicago Chess Center. Call Jules Stein at 929-7010.

Dec. 15-16 PUT THE FUN BACK INTO CHESS V  
A Maxi-Tour Event. See TWO full page ads this issue!

Dec. 22-23 Ranks and Files with Giles, two one day events.  
Chicago Chess Center. Call Jules Stein at 929-7010.

Dec. 29-Jan. 1 New Year Pawnarama, 3 one day events.  
Chicago Chess Center. Call Jules Stein at 929-7010.

Jan. 5-6 TIM JUST'S WINTER OPEN  
A 1985 Maxi-Tour Event. See ad this issue.

MORE DETAILS NEXT ISSUE:

Jan. 19-20 Chicago Chess Center  
Feb. 2 Urbana  
Mar. 7-9 MIDWEST MASTERS

## Tim Just Winter Open

January 5-6, 1985

**WHERE:** Illinois Beach Resort (Holiday Inn), Illinois Beach State Park,  
Sheridan Rd. & Wadsworth Rd. to the Lakefront, Zion, Illinois

**PRIZES:** \$400 b/50, 7/class: 1st = \$100 2nd = \$70 3rd = \$50  
Class A,B,C,D/E/UN EACH = \$45

**ENTRY FEE:** Advanced (by 1/3) = \$13; At Site = \$20; Registration 8:30-9:15 AM  
5SS, Rnds: 9:30-2-6:30, 10-3; Ent. Tim Just, 1521 Circle Ct.  
Waukegan, Il. 60085 244-7954  
**FIRST ILL. TOUR EVENT (mini point) OF THE YEAR:** Il. residents must  
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