

The Fremont Chess Club Newsletter

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Important date : June - 7 - 1977, ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

Agenda : Reports of the officers, election of new officers, new business,
and showing of a movie, titled "The Fremont Chess Club".

..... And now presenting the Chess Club Evening News.....

After two months of grueling, ruthless, complex, energy draining and other-wise informal easygoing chess playing; Fremont CC has declared its 1977 Chess Champion. Chris Mavreadis (1860) toppled our clubs top ten with a score of 8 wins and 1 loss. Along with the congratulatory honors, Chris receives the Perpetual Knight Trophy and an invitation to play in this years CAL CHESS Individual Championships. Second place with 7 : 2 goes to Hans Poschmann (1534). His performance was actually better than his score indicates. He beat all of the top finishers (dealing Chris his only loss) only to succumb to two players with relatively low scores.

To prove that "to the victor goes the spoils", Hans has been awarded the lifetime title of honorary Fremont CC Tournament Director. In addition to this title, due to his extraordinary woodpushing abilities, Hans will be bestowed the honor of making the next 500 wooden plaques and trophies for future club winners. Congratulations, Hans, you deserve it (for beating me that is - Ed.)!

✓ Fremont's annual "Knockout" Tnmt was won this year by Kenny Fong (1617). The tense elimination tournament, which decreases the field of players in half each round, finally was narrowed down to a two man battle between Kenny and Robert Pellerin (1538). In one corner we had Robert at 5' 11", weighing in at 200 lbs; In the other, Kenny, standing at 4' 5" (with shoes on) and tipping the scales at 65 lbs. (after inbetween meal snacks). When the dust settled the young upstart hooked his opponents king and was awarded the KO. This final game, which deemed the Ebony Rook to the "kid" is given elsewhere in this issue.

In April a six round speed tournament was won by Ernest Curto with a score of 4 : 2. Actually three other persons tied with four points but Ernie hacked through a thicket of playoff games to emerge the victor.

Lacking some of our top players, Fremont CC ran aground in the recent CAL CHESS Team Championships. Finishing with a dis appointing 6 : 14 mark, the team stumbled into sole possession of last place in the premier division. Hans Poschman directed the 5 round regional event and played on board four.

..... Vanilla, Stawberry and Handshakes

Congratulations to Doug Provencio for finishing 1st place in the Fremont Elementary School District Chess Tournament for the MGM's (Mentaly Gifted Minors and not Metro Goldwyn Mayer). Keep up the good work , Doug.

Hats off to Cal State Univ, Hayward for its 1st place result at the Pacific Coast Intercolligate Team Championships held at Monterey. The team (consisting of predominatly Fremont CC members) was Randy Fong, bd. 1, Ernest Curto, bd. 2, Keith Mehl, bd. 3, and Rick Kiger, bd. 4 .

..... Micellaneous Blurbs

World reknowned chess columnist (at least in the bay area chess world) and instructor, Richard R. Shorman, is presently conducting a five-week novice chess course at our club. The club extends its gratitude to him for offering this valuable service and , also, we welcome the 10 eager students who have signed up for the class to our club.

with the forming of the new NCCA (CAL CHESS) , your club membership may have been altered a trifle, check with Hans for the details.

.....Looking into my crystal ball

The club is contemplating a follow-up to the novice chess class, Simos, Speed tournaments and USCF rated Tournaments etc. in the future. The only problem is that we need your ideas and support . What the club has to have is some feedback from you ! Our finances allow just about any reasonable chess demand, all it needs is for your suggestions to make them work. Take advantage of this opportunity now, before our funds gradually erode from spiraling inflation.

Fremont CC Knock-out / Kenny Fong (white) vs. Robert Pellerin (black)
Center-Counter Gambit (notes by Kenny Fong)

1. P-K4	P-Q4	10. N-N3	P-K4 !	20. Q-R8ch	K-Q2
2. P X P	Q x P	11. 0-0-0	PxP	21. RxNch	K-K3
3. N-QB3	Q-QR4	12. NxP	NxN	22. R-K5ch	KxR
4. P-Q4	N-KB3	13. BxN	B-B4	23. QxQ	R- R 1
5. N-B3	B-N5	14. BxB	QxB	24. Q-N3ch	K-B3 ? ?
6. B-K2	(a)	15. KR-K1	(c)	25. Qx P ?	R-K1
	N-B3		Q-N4ch	26. QxP ch	R-K3
7. B-K3	(b)	16. Q-K3	QxP (d)	27. Q-Q4ch	K-K2
	0-0-0	17. QxP	RxRch	28. P-N4	resigns
8. N-Q2	BxB	18. RxR	P-QN3 (e)		
9. QxB	Q-KB4	19. N-Q5 !	NxN		

(a) I could play 6. P-KR3 etc., but I know more about 6. B-Q2

(b) Protecting the pawn because black is going to castle.

(c) The game is now about equal.

(d) Black could have traded Queens and Rooks (but after trading 16. --- QxQ 17. RxQ N-N5 18. R-~~N~~3, . RxRch, 19. KxR NxPch, 20. K-K2 N-K5 21. RxP and white is better) to have an equal endgame but he took the chance that lost the game.

(e) Protecting mate but makes it easier for me, but anything and everything loses if 18. ...Q-N4ch, 19. K-N1 N-Q2, 20. Q-R4 R-Q1 (if P-QB3, 21. N-K4 Q-K2 22. Q-R8ch N-N1, 23. N-Q6ch , or 20. --- Q-K2 , 21. N-N5) 21. N-N5 P-QB3 22. N-Q6ch K-B2 (if K-N1 then 23 Q-QN4) 23. NxBP QKR4 , 24. Q-B4ch K-B1 (if K-N3, then 26. Q-Q4ch any , 27. NxR) 25. N-~~R~~6ch K-B2, 26. N-~~K~~8ch K-N3 27. Q-B7ch K-B4, 28. RxN QxN , 29. QxR

And here the standings of our rating ladder (Club Ratings)

1. Randy Fong	1841	10. Bob Rosen	1438
2. Rendon Holloway	1778	12. Bob Love	1398
3. Chris Mavreadis	1689	12. Robert Deeter	1337
4. Hans Poschmann	1678	13. Hank Heinz	1296
5. Robert Pellerin	1676	14. Kenny Fong	1272
6. Ed Sheffield	1657	15. Doug Provencio	1270
7. Don Mayeaux	1616	16. Steve Israels	950
8. Ernest Curto	1601	17. Mike Becker	900
9. Randy Blount	1444		