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# Chess

## CANADIAN WINS RECORD PAUL MASSON EVENT

The 1974 Paul Masson American Class Chess Championships took place May 25-27 at the scenic Paul Masson Mountain Vineyards in Saratoga, with a record 656 players competing for an unprecedented \$9,000 in cash prizes.

International Arbiter **Martin Morrison** directed the outdoor, six-round Swiss, USCF-rated tournament in celebration of the 50th Jubilee of the World Chess Federation.

A special added attraction was the presence of world blindfold champion **George Koltanowski**, who staged a chess show between rounds that was capped by a spectacular demonstration of his famous "knight's tour" exhibition.

Beating last year's champion, **Kim Commons**, in a tense, last round duel, Canadian champion and international master **Peter Biyiasis** emerged undefeated from the grueling event to claim first prize of \$2,350. Close behind in a second-place tie were international grandmaster **Walter Browne**, U.S. champion **John Grefe**, USCF master (2328) **Roy Ervin** and USCF master (2293) **Dennis Waterman**.

Complete results:

### Master-Expert Division

**1st**, Peter Biyiasis, Vancouver, B.C., 5-1, \$2,350; **2nd-5th**, Walter Browne, Berkeley, Roy Ervin, Santa Monica, John Grefe, Berkeley, and Dennis Waterman, San Francisco, 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, \$125 each.

**1st Expert**, Larry Hughes, Berkeley, 4-2, \$600; **2nd-5th Expert**, Daniel Burkhard, Johnstown, Pa., Tom Dorsch, Davis, John Farwell, Yosemite, and Leo Stefurak, Seattle, Wash., 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, \$125 each.

### Class A

**1st-4th**, Walter Dorne, San Francisco, Gene Lee, Mt. View, Randall Hough, Riverside, and Paul Markowitz, Berkeley, 5-1, \$268.75 each; **5th**, Reynauldo Johnson, Oakland, 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, \$25.

### Class B

**1st**, Neal Walters, Davis, 6-0, \$600; **2nd**, Mark Pasternak, Santa Cruz, 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, \$300; **3rd-10th**, Ed Beardsley, Sunnyvale, James Black, San Jose, Thomas Finn, San Jose, Juan Matias, Salinas, Lacy McClarty, Seaside, Daniel Roffman, Honolulu, Hawaii, Edwin Schreiber, Paramus, N.J., and James Weinheimer, Albuquerque, N.M., 5-1, \$25 each.

### Class C

**1st-3rd**, Roger Crosier, Seattle, Wash., David Kittinger, Vallejo, and Marty Reardon, Hayward, 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, \$333.33 each; **4th-10th**, Allen Becker, San Mateo, Alex Carlin, Berkeley, Paul Cripe, Modesto, Greg Payne, San Mateo, J. G. Seals, San Jose, Wayne Smith, San Francisco, and Roy Swazey, San Jose, 5-1, \$14.28 each.

### Class D-E

**1st-4th**, Charles Clement, Los Angeles, Jim Manley, Railroad Flat, Michael Pace, Campbell, and Richard Sarsfield, San Jose, 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, \$268.75 each; **Best E**, Duane Wilk, Cayucos, 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, \$100.

### Unrated Division

**1st**, John Pack, Ukiah, 6-0, \$300; **2nd-3rd**, Edward Vonesh, Oak Brook, Ill., and Lee Slavens, Point Arena, 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, \$100 each.

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Interested persons may obtain a publicity release on the tournament and a free copy of the official USCF booklet, "United States Chess Federation Tournament Rules Supplement", by writing to **Paul Masson Chess Championships, 505 Beach St., San Francisco, Calif. 94133.**

Here are games played by the top prize winners, recorded in USCF sanctioned coordinate chess notation (files lettered "a" to "h", ranks numbered "1" to "8", always counting from White's lower left corner regardless of whose turn to move; pawn captures designated by file letters only).

**White: Peter Biyiasis. Black: Tom Dorsch. Paul Masson Class Championships, Saratoga, May 25, 1974. Sicilian Defense** 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 e6 4 0-0 d6 5 c3 e5 6 d4 Bd7 7 dc dc 8 Bc6 Bc6 9 Ne5 Qd1 10 Rd1 Be4 11 Re1 Bb1 12 Rb1 Be7 13 Bf4 Nf6 14 Nc4 Kf8 15 Rbd1 h6 16 h3 b6 17 a4 Bd8 18 g4 Kg8 19 Ne5 Bc7 20 Bg3 Re8 21 Kg2 Be5 22 Re5 Kh7 23 Re8 Re8 24 Kf3 Re4 25 b3 Re6 26 Rd6 Re1 27 c4 Ne4 28 Rd7 Ng5 29 Kg2 Rb1 30 Rd3 Ne6 31 Bb8 a6 32 Kf3 Rb3 33 Rb3 Nd4 34 Ke4 Nb3 35 Bc7 Kg6 36 f4 Kf6 37 Kd5 Ke7 38 Bb6 Kd7 39 Bc5 g6 40 Be3 Na5 41 f5 h5 42 fg fg 43 g5 Nc6 44 Bd2 Nd8 45 Ke5 Ke7 46 Bb4 Kd7 47 Kf6 Nc6 48 Bc3 Ne7 49 Kf7 Resigns.

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**White: Walter Browne. Black: Boris Siff. Paul Masson Class Championships, Saratoga, May 26, 1974. Robatsch Defense** 1 e4 d6 2 d4 g6 3 Nc3 Bg7 4 Nf3 Bg4 5 Be2 Nd7 6 Be3 Bf3 7 Bf3 e5 8 de de 9 Qe2 c6 10 0-0-0 Ngf6 11 g4 h5 12 gh Nh5 13 Bg4 Nhf6 14 Rd7 Nd7 15 Rd1 f5 16 ef Qa5 17 fg Nf8 18 Qc4 Ng6 19 Qe6 Ne7 20 Rd7 Resigns.

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**White: John Grefe. Black: Michael Ewell. Paul Masson Class Championships, Saratoga, May 25, 1974. Sicilian Defense** 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 g6 6 Be3 Bg7 7 f3 Nc6 8 Qd2 0-0 9 Bc4 Bd7 10 h4 Qb8 11 h5 Ne5 12 Bb3 Nh5 13 Bh6 Bh6 14 Qh6 e6 15 g4 Nf6 16 g5 Nh5 17 Rh5 gh 18 Nf5 ef 19 Nd5 Resigns.

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**White: Dan Krystall. Black: Roy Ervin. Paul Masson Class Championships, Saratoga, May 26, 1974. Pirc Defense** 1 e4 d6 2 d4 Nf6 3 Nc3 g6 4 f4 Bg7 5 Nf3 0-0 6 e5 Nfd7 7 h4 c5 8 h5 cd 9 Qd4 de 10 Qf2 e4 11 Ne4 Nf6 12 Neg5 gh 13 Bd3 Bf5 14 Bf5 Qa5 15 Bd2 Qf5 16 0-0-0 Nc6 17 Qe2 Rac8 18 Kb1 h6 19 Nh4 Qg4 20 Ngf3 Rfd8 21 Rhe1 Rd5 22 Bc1 R...d8 23 Rd5 Rd5 24 c4 Rd6 25 Qc2 Nb4 26 Qf5 Rd7 27 Qg4 Ng4 28 Nf5 Bf8 29 Ng3 Nd3 30 Rh1 Ngf2 31 Rh5 Nc1 32 Kc1 Nd3 33 Kc2 Nf4 34 Rf5 Ng2 35 Kc3 Bg7 36 Kb4 Ne3 37 Rc5 Rd3 38 Rc8 Kh7 39 Resigns.

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**White: Dennis Waterman. Black: Walter Browne. Paul Masson Class Championships, Saratoga, May 27, 1974. Sicilian Defense** 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 e6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 a6 5 Bd3 Nc6 6 Nc6 bc 7 0-0 d6 8 c4 Nf6 9 Nc3 Be7 10 Be3 0-0 11 h3 c5 12 f4 Bb7 13 Qe2 Nd7 14 Rad1 Qc7 15 Bb1 Rad8 16 Bc1 Bf6 17 Rd3 Nb8 18 Rg3 Nc6 19 Qh5 Kh8 20 e5 g6 21 ef gh 22 Rg7 Ne7 23 Rh7 Kg8 24 Rg7 Kh8 25 Rh7 Drawn.