



FREMONT CHESS CLUB

NEWSLETTER

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FREMONT CHESS CLUB MEETINGS: EVERY FRIDAY FROM 7 TO 11 P.M.
AT FREMONT COMMUNITY CHURCH AND CHRISTIAN SCHOOL (LEFT SIDE ENTRANCE)
39700 MISSION BLVD. NEAR STEVENSON BLVD.

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by Hans Poschmann

A long time has gone by since we last published our Newsletter. My recollection says that December 78 was the last one written. But we are still living and even the United States Chess Federation hasn't given up hope. The list of Chess Publications still contains our name.

Chronic time trouble and other problems (playing site etc.) have caused the long delay, even though thoughts of an earlier restart were always present. I hope my TRS-80 will help in writing the Newsletter regularly again. Any contributions toward it will be greatly appreciated.

REPORT OF LAST YEARS ACTIVITIES:

The Club Championship was won by Kenny Fong with great ease. He had a perfect score in a field of 10 players.

Tied for second place were Paul Friedrich, Robert Pellerin and Hans Poschmann.

16 players started for our most valuable trophy, the "EBONY ROOK" in the customary Knock-out Tournament. As the smoke cleared after 4 rounds it was Kenny Fong again who was the sole survivor.

A fortified Fremont Team with Martin Sullivan, Kerry Lawless, Kenny Fong and Jon Wooley captured the perpetual trophy in the Premier Division of the Cal Chess Team Championship against strong opposition from the South Bay.

Martin, Kerry and Kenny also received plaques for Best Board 1,2 and 3.

Ed Sheffield was Best Board 2 on our not so successful second team in the Reserve Division.

Our participation in the Peninsula Chess League should get us a good middle place since we lost to a strong LERA team and to San Jose Chess Club.

The most recent Speed Tournament was won by Hans Poschmann because the stronger players were absent.

NEW TOURNAMENT :

June - 26 and July - 3
5 Round Swiss - 40/105
Entry fee: \$ 2.00
USCF Membership required.
Entry fee: \$ 1.00
for Club Ratings only.

Starting Dates

Now to some other problems:

The use of our new meeting place will require some financial support soon. This means that we should reformalize the Club, elect officers and start collecting dues.

I am willing to continue as manager. This leaves room for other officers.

I call for a BUSINESS MEETING on July - 31. So, my suggestion is that someone makes plans (Nominating Committee).

Please help !

FREMONT C C LIBRARY:

We have about 15 Chess Books. They are now available for a contracted period of time. Ask for a list.

US OPEN ! ! ! !

An event that occurs about every 20 years in this area is coming to Palo Alto on August - 2 of this year. This is a very prestigious and traditional tournament. Entries should be sent to the USCF. Ask for details.

CLUB RATINGS:

The club rating system will be revived. It will work the following way: 16 points + 4 % of the rating difference will be awarded to the winner and deducted from the loser if the lower rated player wins, 16 points - 4 % if the higher rated player wins. In case of a Draw 4 % of the rating difference will be awarded to the lower rated player and deducted from the higher rated player.

To get started on the Club Rating Ladder the most recent USCF rating will be used. For unrated players the performance in the first three games will be used to estimate the starting point.

Pererhaps we can award some prizes for the most rating points gained in a three month period.

Two of my Championship losses:

White: Hans Poschmann 1779

Black: Kenny Fong 2121

- 1) b4 e5
- 2) Bb2 Bxb4

The exchange of a center Pawn against a side Pawn should be considered unsound.

- 3) Bxe5 Nf6
- 4) c4 O-O
- 5) Nf3 Re8
- 6) e3 Nc6
- 7) Bb2 d5
- 8) cxd Nxd5
- 9) Be2 Qd6

this was new in my view

- 10) O-O Bf5
- 11) a3 Ba5
- 12) d3 Rad8

12) d3 is perhaps a mistake

- 13) e4 Nf4

e4 is for sure a mistake and the game is lost right here.

- 14) Nh4 Bc8
- 15) Bg4 Qxd3
- 16) Qxd3 Nxd3

White resigned on move 29.

White: Stuart Thorsby 1820

Black: Hans Poschmann 1779

- 1) e4 c5
- 2) Nf3 d6
- 3) d4 cxd
- 4) Nxd4 Nf6
- 5) Nc3 a6
- 6) Be2 e6
- 7) a4 Be7

The Scheveningen System but "a4"?

- 8) O-O O-O
- 9) f4 Qc7
- 10) Be3 Nbd7
- 11) Bf3 Rb8
- 12) Kh1 Nc5
- 13) Qe1 b6
- 14) Qg3 Bb7

Black thinks he equalized.

- 15) e5 dxe
- 16) fxe Nfe4
- 17) Nxe5 Nxe5
- 18) Bxe5 Bxe5
- 19) c3 Rbd8

Black believes he is OK but what would he do if now 20) Bh6 ?

- 20) h4 Kh8
- 21) Bg5 Bxg5
- 22) Qxg5 Rd5 ?

not seeing the following reply

- 23) Nxe6 and Black resigns.