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# Chess

#### TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Ted Yudacufski of Monterey's Casa Alvarado Chess Center directed the LERA peninsula tournament at Sunnyvale, Nov. 24-26. Complete results:

## **USCF Open Division**

1st, Borel Menas, Daly City, 51/2-1/2, \$75; 2nd Ira Pohl, Santa Cruz, 4½-1½, \$50; 3rd, Mike Ewell, Sunnyvale, 4-2, \$25; 1st "A", Jim Hurt, Saratoga, 4½-1½, \$50; 2nd "A", Gene Lee, Mtn. View, 4-2, \$25.

# **USCF Booster Division**

1st "B", Stewart Scott, Sunnyvale, and F. W. Goss, Redwood City, 41/2-11/2, \$82.50 each; 1st "C", Marcial Padua, San Jose, 5-1, \$70; 2nd "C", Wayne McClintock, Oakland, and Goeffery Fong, Los Altos, 4½-1½, \$17.50 each; 1st "D", Glenn Griggs, San Jose, 4½-1½, \$30; 1st Unrated, Henk De-Wilde, Berkeley, 6-0 (!), \$40; 2nd Unrated, David Hearn, Santa Clara, 41/2-11/2, \$25.

#### CFNC "C" Division

1st, Rick Frye, San Jose, and Hans Dirks, Sunnyvale, 5-1, \$30 plus trophy each; 2nd, Perry Price, Palo Alto, Robert Joslin, Redwood City, and Sandy Long, Los Altos, 41/2-11/2, trophy each.

Here is a sparkling brevity played in the master-expert division from the last LERA competition in Sunnyvale. Notes to the game have been contributed by the winner especially for this column.

Black: Ziad Baroudi. White: Roy Ervin. Sunnyvale, Sept. 3, 1972, Round 4. Alekhine's Defense

13 0-0-0!(d) N-1Q2

1	P.K4	N-KB3	14	B-R6	R-K1(e)
2	P-K5	N-Q4	15	P-KR4	N-KB1(f)
3	P-Q4	P-Q3	16	P-R5	N-3-Q2
4	P-QB4	N-N3	17	P-B4	B-Q5
5	P-B4	PxP	18	P-B5!	N-B3(g)
6	BPxP	P-KN3(a)	19	RPxP	BPxP(h)
	N-QB3	B-N2	20	BxN	RxB(i)
8	B-K3	0-0(b)	21	PxP	Q-R4
9	N-B3	B-N5(c)	22	B-R3!	BxN
	Q-Q2	BxN	23	B-K6ch	K-R1
	PxB	P-QB4	24	Q-R6	BxPch(j)
	P.051	BxP	25	K-N1	Resigns

- (a) A dubious move, attempting to avoid the mainline continuation, 6 . . . N-B3. For the same purpose, 6 . . . P-QB4 would be interesting.
- (b) If 8 . . . P-QB4, then White obtains strong attacking chances after 9 PxP N-3-Q2 10 P-K6! PxP 11 Q-Q2.
- (c) On 9 . . . N-B3 10 Q-Q2 White also has a powerful initiative.
- (d) Black apparently expected 13 BxP Q-B2 14 B-Q4 B-B5!, with counterplay.
- (e) Or 14 . . . B-N2 15 P-KR4 N-B3 16 P-R5, and White wins in a walk.
- (f) Black drops a piece affer 15 . . . P-K3 16 P-Q6 N-QB1 17 P-B4 BxP 18 N-K4.
- (g) Certainly not 18 . . . PxBP? 19 Q-N2ch K-R1 and White scores with 20 RxB.
- (h) If 19 . . . RPxP, then 20 BxN followed by 21 Q-R6
- (i) The alternative, 20 . . . KxB, also leaves the black king fatally exposed after 21 PxP PxP 22 Q-R6ch K-B2 23
  - (j) The last gasp.

## MARTA SHUL NEW USSR WOMEN'S CHAMPION

In a 32-day double round robin tournament for the highest chess title among women in the Soviet Union, Marta Shul (Elo rating, 2250) emerged victorious only after winning a decisive last-round game against candidate master Shcherbina.

White: Marta Shul. Black: L. Shcherbina. USSR Women's Championship, Tolliatti, Dec. 2, 1972. English Opening 1 P-QB4 P-K4 2 N-QB3 N-KB3 3 P-KN3 B-N5 4 B-N2 0-0 5 P-K4 BxN 6 NPxB P-Q3 7 N-K2 QN-Q2 8 0-0 N-B4 9 P-Q3 B-Q2 10 P-KR3 B-R5 11 Q-Q2 R-K1 12 K-R2 P-B3 13 B-R3 Q-B2 14 QR-K1 P-QN4 15 PxP PxP 16 P-KB4 QR-B1 17 R-B2 P-QR4 18 R-1-KB1 KR-Q1 19 Q-K3 N-R3 20 B-N2 P-N5 21 PxKP PxKP 22 P-Q4 B-K1 23 RxN! PxR 24 RxP PxP 25 BxP N-N5 26 P-Q5! K-R1 27 P-Q6! Q-B4 28 Q-R6 Resigns.

This year's championship also served as a zonal event of the International Chess Federation, with the top three finishers qualifying for the interzonal competitions to determine the next challenger for the current women's world champion, Nona Gaprindashvili.

#### WHERE TO PLAY CHESS

The Hayward Chess Club, Palma Ceia Park (corner of Miami Ave. and Decatur Way). Monday and Friday, 8-12

Cherryland Cafe, 22472 Meekland Ave. (corner of A St. and Meekland Ave.), Hayward. Evenings, 11 p.m. to 6 a.m.

The San Leandro Chess Club, 250 Dutton Ave. (Washington School cafeteria, between East 14th St. and Bancroft Ave.). Monday, 7-11 p.m.

The Fremont Chess Club, 40204 Paseo Padre Parkway (near City Hall at Lake Elizabeth). Thursday, 7-11 p.m.

The Livermore Chess Club, Fourth and J Streets. Meets evenings, the 1st and 3rd Friday of the month.

#### NEW CHESS CLUB IN NEWARK

Meeting every Tuesday from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., the Newark Chess Club starts Dec. 12 at the Newark Community Center, 35501 Cedar Blvd. (close to Newark Blvd.; phone, 793-1400).

Membership dues for the new club are \$4 a year for adults and \$2 for juniors, 18 and under.