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Chess

1973 NATIONAL OPEN

World blindfold chess champion George Koltanowski directed the 1973 National Open, held March 11-16 at the Stardust Hotel in Las Vegas, Nev. Nearly 250 players competed for a \$5,000 prize fund in the eight round Swiss system event.

First on tie-break points was international grandmaster Walter Browne, newly naturalized American citizen, followed by Hungarian grandmaster Lazlo Szabo and USCF senior master James Tarjan of Oakland, all with 7-1 scores, sharing \$2,100 three ways.

At 6½-1½ were grandmasters Lubomir Kavalek, Washington and Arthur Bisguier, New York, plus masters James McCormick, Seattle, Ken Smith, Dallas, John Grefe, Berkeley, William Martz, Hartland, and Walter Shipman, Bayshore, earning \$128 each.

Top expert rated player was Richard Fauber, Carmichael, chess columnist for the Sacramento Bee, also finishing with 6½ points and \$128 in prize money.

The best games of the tournament have been issued in a set of five daily bulletins, available for \$2.75 (includes 25 cents postage) from Steve Sawyer, editor, Central California Tournament Bulletins, 340 Jones St., Apt. 448, San Francisco, CA 94102. Seven of the most delectable unannotated games from this collection are reproduced below, arranged according to their "culinary excellence."

"Appetizers"

White: E. Bone. Black: C. Madsen. Alekhine's Defense 1 P-K4 N-KB3 2 P-K5 N-Q4 3 P-QB4 N-N3 4 P-B5 N-Q4 5 B-B4 P-K3 6 N-QB3 NxN 7 QPxB BxP 8 Q-N4 P-KN3 9 P-KR4 P-Q4 10 B-Q3 P-KR4 11 Q-N3 B-Q2 12 N-K2 N-B3 13 B-KN5 B-K2 14 B-K3 N-R4 15 BxNP R-KN1 16 BxPch KxB 17 Q-B3ch K-N2 18 R-R3 B-K1 19 N-B4 B-B2 20 NxRPch BxN 21 QxB BxP 22 B-R6ch Resigns.

White: J. Verrill. Black: K. Smith. Benoni Defense 1 P-QB4 P-KN3 2 P-Q4 N-KB3 3 N-QB3 P-B4 4 P-Q5 P-Q3 5 P-K4 B-N2 6 P-B3 O-O 7 B-K3 P-K3 8 Q-Q2 PxP 9 BPxP R-K1 10 B-Q3 N-R3 11 KN-K2 N-B2 12 P-KN4 R-N1 13 N-N3 P-QNA 14 BR6 KNxQP 15 BxB KxB 15 NxN NxN 17 O-O-O N-N5 18 B-N1 B-K3 19 P-QR3 N-B3 20 N-K2 N-K4 21 Q-B4 P-N5 22 P-QR4 B-N6 23 B-B2 BxB 24 KxB Q-Q2 25 P-N3 QR-B1 26 P-R4 P-KR3 27 P-N5 PxP 28 PxP Q-K2 29 R-R7ch KxR 30 Q-R4ch K-N1 31 R-KR1 P-B4 32 Q-R3ch K-B2 33 R-R7ch K-K3 34 N-B4ch K-Q2 35 RxQch RxR 36 Q-B6 PxP 37 N-Q5 R-KB2 38 Resigns.

White: E. Kennedy. Black: E. Formanek. Sicilian Defense 1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 N-KB3 N-QB3 3 P-Q4 PxP 4 NxP N-B3 5 N-QB3 P-Q3 6 B-QB4 B-Q2 7 B-N3 P-QR3 8 B-K3 P-K3 9 Q-K2 B-K2 10 O-O-O Q-B2 11 P-N4 NxN 12 RxN B-B3 13 P-N5 N-Q2 14 P-B4 N-B4 15 P-B5 PxP 16 N-Q5 NxBch 17 RPxB BxN 18 PxP O-O 10 Q-R5 P-KN3 20 Q-R6 P-B3 21 R-KR4 R-B2 22 R-QB4 Q-R4 23 R-Q1 PxP 24 BxP Q-R3ch 25 K-Q2 QxP 26 R-K1 P-N4 27 R-B3 B-B1 28 Q-R4 B-N2 29 R-B6 P-B5 30 R-K4 R-B4 31 BxP RxPch 32 K-K2 R-QB4 33 RxQP QxPch 34 B-Q2 QxRch 35 QxQ R-K4 36 K-Q3 RxQ 37 KxR P-QR4 38 R-N6 P-R5 39 Resigns.

"Main Course"

White: Lazlo Szabo. Black: Bernard Zuckerman.

King's Indian Defense

1 P-Q4	N-KB3	17 N-B7	NxBch
2 P-QB4	P-KN3	18 QxN	BxP
3 N-QB3	B-N2	19 NxKR	BxR
4 P-K4	P-Q3	20 N-B7	B-Q5ch
5 B-K2	O-O	21 B-K3	R-B1
6 P-B4	P-B4	22 BxB	PxB
7 P-Q5	P-K3	23 Q-B4	B-K3
8 N-B3	PxP	24 NxB	PxN
9 BPxP	R-K1	25 Q-B7ch	K-R1
10 P-K5	PxP	26 P-Q7	R-R1
11 PxP	N-N5	27 QxKP	K-N2
12 O-O	NxKP	28 R-B7ch	K-R3
13 B-KB4	QN-Q2	29 Q-R3ch	K-N4
14 P-Q6	NxNch	30 P-N3	P-KR4
15 BxN	N-K4	31 Q-R4ch	K-R3
16 N-N5	B-B4	32 Q-B4ch	Resigns

"Fine Wine"

White: W. Martz. Black: F. Thornally. Robatsch Defense

1 P-QB4 P-KN3 2 N-QB3 B-N2 3 P-Q4 P-Q3 4 P-K4 N-QB3 5 B-K3 P-K4 6 P-Q5 QN-K2 7 P-B5 P-B4 8 B-N5ch K-B2 9 PxQP PxQP 10 P-B3 N-KB3 11 N-R3 P-KR3 12 N-B2 R-B1 13 Q-N3 N-R4 14 O-O-0 N-B5 15 B-B1 K-N1 16 KN-1 PKN4 17 R-B1 P-R3 18 B-N6 Q-Q2 19 N-N5 PxN 20 BxP NB3 21 PxNch Q-B2 22 PxNP BxP 23 QxQch KxQ 24 R-B7ch K-B3 25 PxP B-R3 26 P-KN4 P-Q4 27 R-Q1 N-K3 28 PxN BxB 29 RxP B-K7 30 R(5)-Q7 KxP 31 RxB RxBP 32 R-N6ch Resigns .

"Dessert"

White: J. Tarjan. Black: Clifton. Caro-Kann Defense

1 P-K4 P-QB3 2 P-Q4 P-Q4 3 N-QB3 PxP 4 NxP B-B4 5 N-N3 B-N3 6 N-B3 P-K3 7 P-KR4 P-KR3 8 N-K5 B-R2 9 B-QB4 N-Q2 10 Q-K2 KN-B3 11 NxKBP Resigns.

White: J. Grefe. Black: B. Holmes. Ruy Lopez 1 P-K4 P-K4 2 N-KB3 N-QB3 3 B-N5 P-Q3 4 P-Q4 B-Q2 5 N-B3 PxP 6 NxP N-BB3 7 O-O P-QR3 8 BxN PxP 9 Q-B3 P-N3 10 P-K5 PxP 11 NxP BxN 12 QxBch N-Q2 13 B-N5 Q-B1 14 N-Q5 Resigns.

WHERE TO PLAY CHESS

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

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

The San Leandro Chess Club, 205 Dutton Ave. (Washington School cafeteria, between East 14th St. and Bancroft Ave.). Monday, 7-11 p.m.

The Newark Chess Club, 35501 Cedar Blvd. (in the Newark Community Center). Tuesday, 7-10 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. Friday, 8-12 p.m.