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# Chess

## MONTEREY COAST OPEN RESULTS

The Monterey Coast Open Chess Championship, a USCF rated tournament in two separate divisions, was held at the Monterey Chess Center, Dec. 14-15. **Ted and Ruby Yudacufski** directed the 58 participants in the four-and five-round Swiss system events. Complete results:

### Premier Division

**1st**, Eleuterio Alsasua, San Jose, 4-0, \$100; **2nd**, Robert Henry, San Jose, 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, \$60; **3rd-5th**, Frank Thornally, San Francisco, Craig Campbell, Monterey, and Van Vandivier, Camp Hunter Liggett, 3-1, \$25 each; **1st Under A**, Mike Anderson, Santa Maria, 2-2, \$25.

### Reserve Division

**1st-2nd B**, Chris McDade, Monterey, and William Poindexter, Napa, 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, \$42.50 each; **1st C**, Harold Duncanson, Modesto, 4-1, \$60; **2nd-5th C**, Frank Sutor, Pacific Grove, Dwight Evans, Marina, Lou Huntington, Soledad, and Dina Gratz, Monterey, 3-2, \$5 each; **1st-3rd D**, Abraham Sprinsock, San Jose, Leslie Dutcher, San Jose, and Thomas Schmidt, Kentfield, 3-2, \$20 each; **1st Unrated**, Robert Berkeley, East Palo Alto, 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, \$35; **2nd-3rd Unrated**, Tracy Gray, Monterey, and James David, Arroyo Grande, 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, \$10 each.

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Here are two sharply played games from the Premier Division, recorded in USCF approved 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; file letters only designate pawn captures).

**White: Eleuterio Alsasua (2086). Black: Van Vandivier (1993). Monterey Coast Open, Dec. 15, 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 h4 d5 10 h5 de 11 hg hg 12 Qf2 Nd4 13 0-0-0 e5 14 Bg5 Qb6 15 Qh4 Nf5 16 Qh2 Rd8 17 Rd8 Qd8 18 Ne4 Qa5 19 Bc4 Ne4 20 fe Nd6 21 Be7 Resigns.

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**White: Frank Thornally (2317). Black: Mike Ewell (2004). Monterey Coast Open, Dec. 15, 1974. Center Counter Defense**  
 1 e4 d5 2 ed Qd5 3 Nc3 Qa5 4 d4 Nf6 5 Bd3 c6 6 Nge2 e6 7 0-0 Bd6 8 Ng3 Qc7 9 Qf3 Nbd7 10 Kh1 h5 11 Nce4 Ng4 12 Nd6 Qd6 13 Bf4 Qd4 14 c3 Qd5 15 Be4 Qc5 16 b4 Qb6 17 Nh5 Rh5 18 Qg4 Nf6 19 Qe2 Ne4 20 Qh5 Nf2 21 Rf2 Qf2 22 Qh8 Ke7 23 Bg5 Kd6 24 Rd1 Ke5 25 Qg7 Resigns.

## TAL, BELYAVSKY LEAD USSR CHAMPIONSHIP

With three rounds left to play, former world champion **Mikhail Tal** and former world junior champion **Alexander Belyavsky** share the lead in the 42nd USSR Championship. The two front-runners have amassed identical scores of five wins, six draws and a loss apiece and have yet to meet over the board as the single round robin competition draws to a close.

**White: Mikhail Tal (2635). Black: Mark Dvoretsky (2495). XLII USSR Championship, Leningrad, 1974.**

### King's Indian Defense

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| 1 P-Q4     | N-KB3   | 20 N-B5     | NxN     |
| 2 P-QB4    | P-KN3   | 21 PxN      | B-KB1   |
| 3 N-QB3    | B-N2    | 22 R-N1     | Q-Q2    |
| 4 P-K4     | P-Q3    | 23 KR-Q1    | BxB     |
| 5 B-K2     | 0-0     | 24 PxB      | QR-N1   |
| 6 N-B3     | P-K4    | 25 P-QR4(f) | RxR     |
| 7 B-K3(a)  | P-B3    | 26 QxR      | Q-Q1    |
| 8 0-0      | PxP(b)  | 27 Q-B2     | Q-Q2    |
| 9 BxP      | R-K1    | 28 Q-B5     | P-B3    |
| 10 Q-B2    | QN-Q2   | 29 P-R5     | K-N2    |
| 11 QR-Q1   | Q-K2    | 30 R-N1     | R-Q1    |
| 12 KR-K1   | N-K4    | 31 P-R6(g)  | K-R3(h) |
| 13 P-KR3   | B-R3(c) | 32 Q-K3ch   | P-N4    |
| 14 P-QN4   | P-N3    | 33 Q-KB3    | Q-KB2   |
| 15 P-B5(d) | NPxP    | 34 R-N7     | R-Q2    |
| 16 NxN     | PxN     | 35 B-B4!(i) | P-KB4   |
| 17 BxBP    | Q-N2    | 36 PxP      | QxP     |
| 18 N-R4(e) | B-K3    | 37 BxB      | Resigns |
| 19 B-Q6    | N-Q2    |             |         |



(Notes by international grandmaster **David Bronstein**, translated from "64", No. 50, Dec. 13-19, 1974, pp. 8-9)

(a) Tal's move passes silent judgment on the variation 7 0-0 N-B3 8 P-Q5 N-K2, with a harmonious position for Black.

(b) In opening the center Black seems to be saying, "This is to punish the QP for its indolent refusal to advance to Q5."

(c) The young master is too optimistic. Of course, even against Tal one may assert oneself, but Dvoretsky has already deviated from classic canons three times so far. First he chose to play the double-edged King's Indian Defense instead of the Queen's Gambit Declined, then he surrendered the center to White by the exchange 8...PxP, and now without particular purpose he starts to wander about with his bishop.

(d) White would not have had this breakthrough if Black had played 13...KN-Q2.

(e) White's advantage is indisputable. Apparently, nothing could be easier than to double rooks on the QB-file and win Black's QBP. But this clear plan is not for Tal. His attention is drawn to another object. First, the former world champion organizes an invasion of the Q6 square, then he takes QR7 under fire and finally... But let us not get ahead of events.

(f) An attack on the queen side? No, the push is definitely not an offensive, but rather a deflecting maneuver or...the conquest of a strong point on QN7.

(g) Prelude to invasion!

(h) After 31...QxP 32 QxPch White's passed QRP cannot be stopped.

(i) Disrupting the defense of the Black king. The bishop may not be captured because of 36 RxR QxR 37 QxPch K-R4 38 P-N4ch K-R5 39 Q-R6mate.

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**White: Alexander Belyavsky (2460). Black: Lev Alburt (2420). XLII USSR Championship, Leningrad, 1974. Nimzo-Indian Defense 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 Nf3 cd 4 Nd4 e6 5 Nc3 Bb4 6 g3 Ne4 7 Qd3 Qa5 8 Nc2 Nc3 9 Nb4 Na2 10 Ra2 Qb4 11 Bd2 Qb6 12 Bg2 Nc6 13 Qa3 Nd4 14 0-0 d6 15 e3 Nb3 16 Bc3 0-0 17 Rd1 Nc5 18 b4 Nd7 19 Rad2 Qc7 20 Qa1 f6 21 Rd6 Nb6 22 c5 Nd5 23 Be1 Ne7 24 Qa4 a5 25 Qa3 Nf5 26 R6d3 a4 27 b5 e5 28 Bb4 Re8 29 Bd5 Kh8 30 b6 Qd7 31 c6 bc 32 Bc4 Qb7 33 Rd8 Bd7 34 R1d7 Qb6 35 Ra8 Ra8 36 Bd3 Nh6 37 Bf8 Resigns.**

#### "AFTER CHRISTMAS CHESS FESTIVAL

Featuring the lowest entry fee of the year for a USCF rated event, the "After Christmas Holiday Chess Festival" will take place at the Monterey Chess Center, 430 Alvarado St., Dec. 29. Winners will select gift prizes from under the chessmas tree. Entry fee is \$2 plus holiday gift (approx. \$2 in value, gift-wrapped and marked for man, woman or child). **Ted** and **Ruby Yudacufski** will direct the three-round Swiss style tourney; time control, 40 moves in 1½ hours. Round one begins at 10:30 a.m., Sunday, Dec. 29. Please bring sets and clocks. For any additional tournament information, write to the Monterey Chess Center, P.O. Box 1308, Monterey, Calif. 93940 or phone (408) 372-9790.

#### S.F. YMCA CHESS WORKSHOP

Genial **Alexander Sienkievich** will conduct an eight-week chess workshop for beginners through advanced players on Sundays starting Jan. 20, 1975 from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the San Francisco Central YMCA, 220 Golden Gate Ave. Cost of the instruction and playing sessions is \$4. Please call 885-0460 for details.

#### 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. Monday, 7-11 p.m.