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Chess

U. S. JUNIOR OPEN

International grandmaster and FIDE arbiter Isaac Kashdan lent an air of authority and professionalism to the competition as he directed the 30th annual U. S. Junior Chess Championship, Aug. 4-8, at San Diego State University. The eight-round Swiss was open to anyone under the age of 21, with cash awards, trophies and free entries to the U. S. Open contributed by the U. S. Chess Federation to the winners.

Taking overall first on tie-breaks with a final score of 7-1 was Donald Reents of Rockford, Ill., who received the winner's trophy designating him as this year's junior champion, \$250 and a pre-paid entry to the U. S. Open, taking place in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Second spot went to Dadi Jonsson, a visitor from Iceland and an avid spectator at the world championship match between Fischer and Spassky three years ago in Reykjavik. He also finished with seven points, winning six games and drawing two, to earn his trophy, \$250 and free U. S. Open entry.

San Diego expert Juan Gomez and Gary Folker of La Habra tied for third and fourth at 6½ points apiece, while ten others, including the top six rated players in the event, scored 6-2.

Alex Temko, 18, of Berkeley won the unrated section and Kenny Fong of Hayward, who celebrated his ninth birthday during the tournament, was presented with the winner's trophy for the 10-and-under group. Other age category winners worthy of special mention are Yasser Seirawan, 14, Seattle, Wash., and Perry Youngworth, 13, of Riverside.

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Displaying a well-developed sense of position in combination with excellent tactics, the 20-year-old victor in this game produced one of the best efforts of the U. S. Junior Open. The games have been 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 play; pawn captures designated by file letters only).

White: Dadi Jonsson. **Black:** Gary Folker. U. S. Junior Open, San Diego, 1975. Center Counter Defense 1 e4 d5 2 ed Nf6 3 d4 Nd5 4 c4 Nf6 5 Nc3 e6 6 Nf3 c5 7 d5! ed 8 cd Bd6 9 Bc4 0-0 10 0-0 Nbd7 11 Bg5 Qb6 12 Bf6! Nf6 13 Qc2 g6 14 Bd3! Nh5 15 g3 Bh3 16 Rfe1 Rae8 17 Ne4 f5 18 Nd6 Qd6 19 Re6! Re6 20 de Qe7 21 Qc4! f4 22 Ng5! Bf5 23 Bf5 Rf5 24 Rd1! Kf8 25 Nh7 Ke8 26 Qb5 Resigns.

PALO ALTO TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Over \$1,000 and five trophies went to 22 top scorers out of the 137 players who participated in the Palo Alto Summer Open Chess Tournament, Aug. 9-10. Bryce Perry directed the four-round, USCF-rated "Swiss Round Robin" event in four playing divisions. Complete results:

Open Division

1st. Jeremy Silman, San Francisco, 4-0, \$200; 2nd. Peter Cleghorn, Berkeley, 3¹/₂-1¹/₂, \$75; 1st-3rd A. Frank Flynn, Portola Valley, John Pope, Berkeley, and Peter Prochaska, San Francisco, 3-1, \$41.70 each.

Booster Division

1st-2nd. Chris Black, Sunnyvale, and Craig Mar, Oakland, 4-0, \$92.50 each; 1st-third C. Peter Buyer, Redwood City, Averil Ma, Stanford, and Albert Rackett, Santa Clara, 3-1, \$71.70 each.

Novice Division

1st. Joel Lutzker, Palo Alto, 4-0, \$125; 2nd-3rd. Gene Crocker, Berkeley, and Michael McCusker, Los Gatos, 3¹/₂-1¹/₂, \$25 each; 1st-5th E. Stewart Shipley, Palo Alto, Gary Thompson, Bodega Bay, Kenneth Eklund, Sunnyvale, Michael Jones, Napa, and Alan Rollerson, Oakland, 2-2, \$17 each.

Unrated Division

1st. Igor Buljan, E. Palo Alto, 4-0, \$70; 2nd-4th. Brian Davis, Palo Alto, Ken Marks, Mt. View, and Mike Stark, Fremont, 3-1, \$10 each; Top Jr., Craig Mar, Oakland, 4-0, trophy; Top Woman, Jennie Kiesling, Los Altos, 3-1, trophy; Open Upset, Sam Ecton, S. San Francisco, 445 pts., trophy; Booster Upset, Michael Duncan, Burlingame, 244 pts., trophy; Novice Upset, Stewart Shipley, Palo Alto, 203 pts., trophy.

DOMINATION ON THE BLACK SQUARES

New California State Junior Co-Champion Jay Whitehead of San Francisco ran roughshod over Boris Popov's veteran black squares this month at the 1st Mechanics' Institute "Alpha" Tournament, capping it off with white-square twist.

White: Jay Whitehead (2043). Black: Boris Popov (1912). Mechanics' Institute "Alpha" Tournament, San Francisco, 1975. Irregular Defense 1 e4 b6 2 Nf3 Bb7 3 Nc3 g6!? 4 d4 Bg7 5 Be3 Nf6 6 e5 Ng4 7 Bf4 h5!? 8 Bd3 e6? 9 Ne4 Nc6 10 Bg5 Qc8 11 h3 Nh6 12 Bf6 Kf8 13 c3 Ne7 14 Qd2 Bf6 15 ef! Neg8 16 Qf4 Ba6?! 17 Ba6 Qa6 18 Qc7 Qd3 19 Nfd2 Qb5 20 Qd6! Ke8 21 Qe7!! Ne7 22 Nd6 Kd8 23 fe Ke7 24 Nb5 Resigns.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA OPEN

The 1975 Northern California Open will be held at the University of Calif. Berkeley campus, Aug. 30-31 and Sept. 1. Alan Benson directing. The six-round, USCF-rated Swiss system competition in two sections will take place in the Lipman Room, atop Barrows Hall behind Sproul Hall (use east entrance for access into bldg.). Based on last year's 215 entries, the prize fund has been set at \$4,000 plus eight trophies in seven playing categories: Open, Expert, Class A, B, C, D-E-Unrated and Junior.

Entry fee is \$25 if mailed by Aug. 25; juniors under 19, women, U. S. students and faculty, over 55, all \$20; ten per cent recuction for first USCF tournament. USCF membership (\$15 adult, \$8 jr.) and CSCF membership (\$5 adult, \$2.40 jr.) required. These memberships include subscriptions to Chess Life & Review and the California Chess Reporter. Late entry is \$5 additional at the tournament site, 8:30-10:30 a.m., Aug. 30.

Time control for all rounds is 40 moves in two hours, with 10 moves per 30 minutes thereafter. Please bring sets and clocks. Inexpensive rooms for tournament players are available at Ida Sproul Dorm (\$7 single, \$5 double). Round one begins at noon, Saturday, Aug. 30.

Mail entry fees to the California State Chess Federation, c/o Alan Benson, USCF Inter. Tournament Director, 2420 Atherton St., Apt. 1, Berkeley, Calif. 94704. For further information, please phone Alan Benson, 843-0661.

CHESS CLASSES AT CHABOT COLLEGE

Persons wishing to receive chess instruction and who are otherwise eligible to attend a community college may enroll in a course of beginning, intermediate and-or advanced chess instruction at Chabot College, Hayward, for the Fall Quarter. No tuition is charged and college credit is available for each course.

To register, write to the Registrar's Office, Chabot College, 2555 Hesperian Blvd., Hayward, Calif. 94545, or phone 782-3000 for additional information.

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, except Monday and Tuesday, 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 Fremont Chess Club, 40204 Paseo Padre Parkway (near City Hall at Lake Elizabeth), Wednesday, 7-11 p.m.

The Livermore Chess Club, Fourth and J Streets, Friday, 8-12 p.m.