

Richard Shorman**Chess****WALNUT CREEK QUADS**

Saleh Mujahed organized the tenth annual Walnut Creek Regional Quads, Jan. 13. Sponsored jointly by CalChess and the Walnut Creek Chess Club, the three-round, USCF-rated, round-robin tournament attracted 48 entrants competing in four-player sections for a \$576 prize fund. John Larkins directed the one-day event. Complete results:

Quad A: **1st-2nd**, Mark Buckley (2147), Fair Oaks, and James MacFarland (2083), Sacramento, 2-1, \$6 each.

Quad B: **1st**, David Wait (1805), Walnut Creek, 3-0, \$7; **2nd-4th**, Randall Feliciano (1839), San Francisco, Art Marathinson (1827), San Rafael, and John Smail (1819), Berkeley, 1-2, \$1.68 each.

Quad C: **1st**, David Lewis (1791), Berkeley, 3-0, \$7; **2nd-4th**, Stewart Katz (1712), Fair Oaks, Jaroslav Skrenek (1697), Berkeley, and Jonathan Voth (1712), Stockton, 1-2, \$1.68 each.

Quad D: **1st-2nd**, Leon Wait (1610), Walnut Creek, and Jon Wooley (1696), Hayward, 2½-½, \$6 each.

Quad E: **1st**, Maurice Geraghty (1474), Concord, 3-0, \$7; **2nd-4th**, Stephen Knowles (1596), Clayton, Marc Kupper (1500), Walnut Creek, and Charles Vail (1585), Berkeley, 1-2, \$1.68 each.

Quad F: **1st**, Robert Whitaker (1434), San Francisco, 2-1, \$7; **2nd-3rd**, Robert Howland (1412), Pittsburg, and Leonard Trottier (1444), El Cerrito, 1½-1½, \$2.50 each.

Quad G: **1st-2nd**, William Courant (1397), Pittsburg, and Fred Geyzer (1393), Walnut Creek, 2½-½, \$6 each.

Quad H: **1st**, Michael Brent (1355), Stockton, 2½-½, \$7; **2nd**, Frisco Del Rosario (1385), Hayward, 2-1, \$5.

Quad I: **1st**, William Abel (1233), Concord, 2½-½, \$7; **2nd**, Stan Bumpus (Unr.), Castro Valley, 2-1, \$5.

Quad J: **1st-3rd**, Bill Davis (1076), Petaluma, Nicholas Dodge (1185), Felton, and Gary Willson (1124), Kingsburg, 2-1, \$4 each.

Quad K: **1st**, Robert Frank (1123), Sacramento, 3-0, \$7; **2nd**, Brian Wood (Unr.), Tracy, 2-1, \$5.

Quad L: **1st-2nd**, Albert Hernandez (Unr.), Castle A.F.B., and James Weber (1040), San Francisco, 2½-½, \$6 each.

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White: John Smail (1819). Black: Randall Feliciano (1839). Walnut Creek Quads, Jan. 13, 1979. French Defense 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 e5 b6 4 c3 Qd7 5 Nf3 Ba6 6 Ba6 Na6 7 Qd3 Nb8 8 O-O c5 9 Bf4 Nc6 10 Nbd2 h5 11 Rfe1 Nh6 12 Nf1 Be7 13 a3 Na5 14 b4 c4 15 Qc2 Nb3 16 Ra2 a5 17 N3d2 a4 18 Qd1 g5 19 Be3 h4 20 h3 O-O-O 21 Nh2 f6 22 ef Bf6 23 Ng4 Qg7 24 Nh6 Qh6 25 Qg4 Rde8 26 Nf3 Rhg8 27 Rae2 Kd7 28 Bc1 Bd8 29 Ne5 Kc7 30 Nf7 Qg6 31 Nd8 Nc1 32 Rc1 Kd8 33 Rce1 Kd7 34 Re5 Kd8 35 b5 Qf6 36 Qd1 Rgf8 37 f3 Qf4 38 Qa4 g4 39 fg Qf2 40 Kh1 Qg3 41 Qa7 Rf2 42 Qb6 Kd7 43 Qc6 Kd8 44 Rd5 ed 45 Re8mate.

MONTEREY COAST CLASSIC

The Monterey Coast Classic Chess Tournament drew 58 players to the highly regarded Monterey Chess Center for a four-round, USCF-rated, Swiss system event directed by Ted and Naomi Yudacufski, Jan. 13-14. Of special interest was an old-time movie presentation featuring such chess greats as American champion Frank Marshall and world champion Jose Capablanca. Complete results:

OPEN DIVISION

1st-3rd, Michael Lucente (2045) (trophy), Ft. Ord, Martin Sullivan (2185), Hayward, and Mitchell Bedford (2050), Salinas, 3-1, \$47 each; **Best "A"**, Robert Raingruber (1898), Modesto, 1½-2½, trophy.

CLASS B

1st, Karel Zikan (1786), Pacific Grove, 4-0, \$90 plus trophy; **2nd-3rd**, Don Tiffin (1640), Modesto, and Jose Marcal (1636), Palo Alto, 3-1, \$35 each.

CLASS C

1st, Dave Whetzell (1558), San Jose, 3½-½, \$75 plus trophy; **2nd-4th**, Pedro Marcal (1520), Palo Alto, Alan Lovejoy (1493), Sand City, and Gary Jones (1447), Salinas, 3-1, \$20 each.

CLASS D-E

1st, Rey Castro (1373), San Jose, 3½-½, \$70 plus trophy; **2nd-3rd**, Charles Domac (1331), Pacific Grove, and Blake Fuessenich (1319), Monterey, 3-1, \$30 each.

UNRATED DIVISION

1st-2nd, Pancho Kinney (trophy), Monterey, and Karel Zikan, Jr., Pacific Grove, 3½-½, \$25 each.

CALCHESS MASTERS' OPEN GAMES

The 28 masters who took part in the 1979 CalChess Masters' Open held official USCF ratings that equaled or bettered the average ratings recorded in the first three Lone Pine tournaments (2322). For a complete set of bulletins, all 90 games for \$1.50 postpaid, order from California Chess Bulletins, Max Burkett, Editor, 1009 MacArthur Blvd., Apt. 6, Oakland, Calif. 94610.

White: David Strauss (2408). Black: Nick deFirmian (2422). CalChess Masters' Open, U.C. Berkeley, Jan. 12, 1979.

Sicilian Defense

1 Nf3	c5	28 Rg5!	Rc2
2 e4	Nc6	29 Kd3	Rc5
3 d4	cd	30 Rb2	gf
4 Nd4	Nf6	31 Nf4!(h)	Bb5
5 Nc3	d6	32 Ke3	Rc3
6 Bc4	Bd7	33 Kf2	Kf8
7 Bb3	g6	34 Rb4	Bh6
8 f3	Nd4	35 Rf5	Bd7
9 Qd4	Bg7	36 Rf6	Kg7
10 Bg5	O-O	37 Nh5	Kh7
11 Qe3	b5!	38 Rf7	Kg6
12 h4	a5	39 Rd7	Be3
13 h5?(a)	a4	40 Kg3	Kh5(i)
14 Bf6	ef	41 Rb3	f2
15 Bd5	b4	42 Rh7	Kg6
16 Ne2	Rc8	43 Rh1	Rb3
17 hg	hg	44 ab	Kf5
18 Nf4	f5!	45 Kg2	Ke4
19 Ng6	Re8(b)	46 Rd1	Bc5
20 Nf4(c)	Qg5	47 Kf1	Ke5
21 Rh5!(d)	Qg3	48 Ke2	Ke4
22 Kd2	a3	49 Kf1	Ke5
23 Ne2	ab	50 Kg2	Ke4
24 Rb1!(e)	Qe5	51 Kg3	Bd4!
25 g4	Qd5!(f)	52 b4	Kd5
26 ed	Re3?(g)	53 Drawn (j)	
27 Ke3	fg		

(Notes by USCF master Nick deFirmian)

(a) Looks strong, but Black gets the edge. About equal is 13 a4.

(b) White has gotten what he wanted, but he is now quite lost!

(c) If 20 0-0, then 20 . . . Qf6 21 Nf4 Qb2 22 Rb1 Bd4!, winning a piece.

(d) And not 21 0-0-0 because of 21 . . . Qf6 22 c3 (or 22 Nd3 Bb5) bc 23 Nh5 cb 24 Kbl Rc1! On 21 0-0, instead, both 21 . . . Rc2 and 21 . . . Bb2 are strong.

(e) After 24 Rahl? Bc3, and the pawn queens, or worse.

(f) Avoiding 25 . . . Ba4? 26 Bf7!

(g) Black now has a winning game, but he must play 26 . . . Rc2 27 Kc2 and only then 27 . . . Re3 in order to win it.

(h) White has achieved slightly better of a drawn position at this point. The next nine moves were made in time pressure; however, no major mistakes were made.

(i) Time pressure is over. Amazingly enough, there is no win here for White. The black pawn is too strong.

(j) On 53 b5 Black overtakes the pawn by 53 . . . Kc5, and with the white king on g3 instead of g2, 54 Rd4 cannot be played.