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Chess

OLD WARRIORS, FRESH CHESS

Although they belong to an older generation of Soviet chess players, David Bronstein and Tigran Petrosian have managed to keep their games fresh and competitive by a constant quest for new ways to utilize old techniques, especially when playing each other . . .

White: David Bronstein. Black: Tigran Petrosian.
Soviet Team Match ("USSR Cup"), Ordzhonikidze, 1978.
French Defense

1 P-K4	P-K3	22 P-N5	R-Q6
2 P-Q4	P-Q4	23 B-K3	Q-B2
3 N-QB3	B-N5	24 P-QR4	Q-R4
4 N-K2(a)	PxP	25 Q-B6	N-Q2(f)
5 P-QR3	B-K2(b)	26 B-B4	P-K4
6 NxP	N-KB3	27 Q-K4	R-Q3
7 N(2)-N3	O-O	28 B-K3	B-B1
8 B-K2	QN-Q2	29 N-B3	R-Q5(g)
9 O-O	P-QN3(c)	30 BxR	BPxB
10 B-B3	R-N1	31 N-Q5	R-K1
11 P-B4	NxN	32 Q-N4	R-K3
12 BxN	N-B3	33 R-Q1	P-N3
13 B-B3	B-N2	34 P-B4	P-B4
14 BxB	RxB	35 Q-K2	B-B4
15 Q-B3	P-B3!	36 K-R2	P-K5(h)
16 N-K2(d)	Q-B1	37 P-N4!	Q-Q1
17 P-QN4	R-Q1	38 PxP	PxP
18 B-B4	R(2)-Q2(e)	39 Q-R5	Q-KB1
19 KR-B1	P-KR3	40 R-R2	P-Q6
20 P-R3	P-B4!	41 R-N2ch	Resigns(i)
21 QPxP	PxP		

(Notes by Soviet master Pavel Kondratev, translated from "64", No. 20, May 18-24, 1978, pg. 9)

(a) This continuation, popular during the 1930s, has recently experienced a tournament revival.

(b) In a famous game between Alekhine and Nimzovich (Bled, 1931) Black played 5 . . . BxNch 6 NxB P-KB4, but after 7 P-B3! PxP 8 QxP QxP 9 Q-N3! quickly fell under heavy attack.

(c) On 9 . . . P-B4 White could respond with 10 B-B3, exerting unpleasant pressure along the long white diagonal.

(d) If 16 QxP, then Black regains the pawn and frees his game completely with 16 . . . R-B2.

(e) Another possibility was 18 . . . P-QN4 19 KR-B1 PxP 20 RxP N-Q4 21 R(1)-QB1 Q-R1 22 RxP P-QR4, with adequate counterplay.

(f) With precise play Petrosian had succeeded in equalizing, but here he commits an inexactitude. Correct is 25 . . . R(6)-Q3, forcing the queen to withdraw.

(g) In a difficult position the former world champion resorts to one of his favorite devices, the positional sacrifice of the exchange.

(h) The two central passed pawns look quite menacing, but Bronstein has gradually prepared to break through on the king side.

(i) Bronstein's last move was sealed before adjournment. After seeing it, Petrosian preferred not to resume play. In fact, White must win following 41 . . . K-R1 42 P-R5, threatening 43 P-N6 PxP 44 P-R6.

FREMONT OPEN RESULTS

The fifth annual Fremont Open, directed by Hans Poschmann, attracted 62 players to the Fremont Central Park Community Center for a USCF-rated, CalChess four-round Swiss system tournament, May 20-21. Winners divided a \$615 prize fund. Complete results (in tie-break order):

OPEN DIVISION

1st-3rd, Jay Whitehead (2267)(trophy), San Francisco, Dennis Fritzing (2273), Berkeley, and Harry Radke (2286), San Jose, 3½-½, \$105 each; **1st Expert**, Martin Sullivan (2132), Hayward, 3-1, \$46.66 plus trophy; **1st-2nd "A"**, Peter Prochaska (1935)(trophy), San Francisco, and Robert Anderson (1941), San Jose, 3-1, \$46.66 each.

RESERVE DIVISION

1st, Karel Eringa (1600), Bloomington, Indiana, 4-0, \$60 plus trophy; **2nd**, Michael Vaughn (1615), San Jose, 3½-½, \$32; **1st "C"**, Tim Cutler (1580), Fremont, 3-1, \$48 plus trophy; **2nd-4th "C"**, Michael Jones (1461), Fremont, Myron Johnson (1466), Oakland, and Brianislov Steiner (1421), Oakland, 2-2, \$7.75 each; **1st "D"**, Lawrence Klein (1361), Visalia, 3-1, \$30 plus trophy; **2nd "D"**, Joachim Klimmek (1252), San Rafael, 2½-1½, \$20; **1st "E"-Unrated**, Joe Vellequette (1167), Fremont, 2-2, \$15 plus trophy.

Here are some of the most interesting games played in the Fremont Open, recorded in USCF sanctioned coordinate chess notation (files lettered "a" to "h", ranks number "1" to "8", always counting from White's lower left corner regardless of whose turn to move; pawn captures designated by file letters only).

White: Harry Radke (2286). Black: David Spero (2033). Fremont, May 20, 1978. English Opening 1 c4 e5 2 Nc3 Nf6 3 Nf3 Nc6 4 e3 Bb4 5 Qc2 O-O 6 d3 Re8 7 Bd2 Bc3 8 Bc3 d5 9 cd Nd5 10 Rd1 Nd4 11 Nd4 ed 12 Bd4 Nb4 13 Qa4 a5 14 Be2 Bd7 15 Qb3 Be6 16 Qc3 Na2 17 Qd2 Bb3 18 Rb1 Nb4 19 O-O Qd7 20 Bc3 c5 21 Bg7 Ba2 22 Bh6 Bb1 23 Qc3 f5 24 Rb1 Re6 25 Bg5 Rc8 26 Rd1 Rcc6 27 Bf3 Rcd6 28 Qc5 Nd3 29 Qa5 Nb2 30 Rc1 b6 31 Qf5 Nd3 32 Ra1 Qf7 33 Ra8 Kg7 34 g4 Rg6 35 h4 Ne1 36 Be4 Rd1 37 Kh2 Rd2 38 Qf7 Kf7 39 Bg6 hg 40 Ra7 Ke6 41 Re7 Kd5 42 e4 Resigns.

White: Borel Menas (2064). Black: Dennis Fritzing (2273). Fremont, May 20, 1978. English Opening 1 c4 e5 2 Nc3 d6 3 g3 f5 4 d3 Nf6 5 Bg2 g6 6 Nf3 Bg7 7 Bg5 h6 8 Bf6 Qf6 9 Qb3 c6 10 Nd2 Nd7 11 O-O g5 12 e3 Nc5 13 Qa3 O-O 14 Rad1 a5 15 d4 ed 16 ed Qd4 17 Nb3 Qc4 18 Rd6 Nb3 19 ab Qb4 20 Qb4 ab 21 Na4 Ra5 22 Re1 Re5 23 Re5 Be5 24 Rh6 Kg7 25 Rh5 Kg6 26 Bf3 Bf6 27 h3 g4 28 hg fg 29 Bg4 Bg4 30 Rc5 Bf3 31 Resigns.

White: Mike Arne (1841). Black: Robert Phillips (1983). Fremont, May 21, 1978. Two Knights' Defense 1 e4 e5 2 Bc4 Nf6 3 d4 Nc6 4 Nf3 ed 5 O-O Bc5 6 c3 d3 7 b4 Be7 8 Qd3 d6 9 Bg5 O-O 10 Nbd2 Ng4 11 Be7 Qe7 12 Bb3 Be6 13 Nc4 Nge5 14 Nfe5 Ne5 15 Ne5 de 16 Qb5 Bb3 17 ab c6 18 Qc5 Qc5 19 bc Rfd8 20 Rfd1 Kf8 21 Kf1 Rd1 22 Rd1 Ke7 23 Ke2 b6 24 Ra1 b5 25 Ra6 Kd7 26 Kd3 Kc7 27 c4 bc 28 Kc4 Kb7 29 Ra2 Rd8 30 f3 Rd7 31 g4 Rd4 32 Kc3 Rd1 33 Rf2 g5 34 Rg2 Ka6 35 Rg3 Kb5 36 Rh3 Rf1 37 Kc2 Kc5 38 Rh7 Rf3 39 Rg7 Kd4 40 Rg5 Rf2 41 Kb1 Rh2 42 Rf5 Rh7 43 Rf6 Ke4 44 Rc6 Kf3 45 Ra6 e4 46 Kc2 Kg4 47 Ra7 Rh2 48 Kc3 f5 49 b4 e3 50 b5 Kf3 51 b6 e2 52 Re7 Rh8 53 b7 Kf2 54 Resigns.

WHERE TO PLAY CHESS

The Hayward Chess Club, Palma Ceia Park (corner of Miami Ave. and Decatur Way; phone, 783-9904). Monday and Friday, 8 p.m. to midnight.

Captain Anchovy's Chess Club, 1456 136th Ave. (Palma Plaza shopping center; phone, 352-7115), San Leandro. Monday and Wednesday, 7 p.m. to midnight.

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