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# Chess

**KARPOV AND TAL ON WINNING STREAK**

Among the 16 players assembled in the Canary Islands for an international chess competition are world champion Anatoly Karpov (USSR), former title holder Mikhail Tal (USSR), and grandmasters Adorjan (Hungary), Browne (USA), Larsen (Denmark), Miles (England), Pomar (Spain and Timman (Holland).

Firmly in the lead after nine rounds with eight points, Karpov started the tournament with six straight wins before drawing his first game. Tal began with three half-points and then leaped ahead with five victories in a row until stopped by a blunder in round nine. He now shares second and third places with Timman with 6½ points apiece. Larsen and Browne each have 5½ points going into round ten.

Vast differences in style separate the pace setting performances of the front runners. Compare the polish of Karpov with the luster of Tal:

**White: Anatoly Karpov.**  
**Las Palmas, 1977.**

**Black: Arturo Pomar.**

**Queen's Indian Defense**

|            |       |            |         |
|------------|-------|------------|---------|
| 1 P-QB4    | P-K3  | 16 R-Q2    | Q-B3    |
| 2 P-Q4     | N-KB3 | 17 R-K1    | R-K1    |
| 3 N-KB3    | P-QN3 | 18 Q-Q1    | QR-Q1   |
| 4 P-KN3    | B-N2  | 19 P-KR4   | P-QR3   |
| 5 B-N2     | B-K2  | 20 P-KN4   | P-N3(b) |
| 6 O-O      | O-O   | 21 P-N5    | B-N2    |
| 7 N-B3     | N-K5  | 22 P-Q5    | PxP     |
| 8 Q-B2     | NxN   | 23 KPxP    | Q-B1    |
| 9 QxN      | P-QB4 | 24 BxB     | KxB     |
| 10 R-Q1    | P-Q3  | 25 R(2)-K2 | K-B1    |
| 11 P-N3(a) | Q-B2  | 26 Q-R11   | K-N1    |
| 12 B-N2    | B-KB3 | 27 Q-N2(c) | N-B1    |
| 13 Q-B2    | N-Q2  | 28 Q-B6    | N-Q2    |
| 14 P-K4    | KR-Q1 | 29 QxQP    | N-K4    |
| 15 Q-K2    | QR-B1 | 30 RxN     | Resigns |

(Notes by Tal, translated from "54", No. 20, May 19-25, 1977, pg. 16)

(a) Karpov has played this position any number of times with Black as well as White.

(b) The decisive error. Black had to trade on Q5.

(c) An elegant maneuver that places Black in Zugzwang.

**White: Mikhail Tal.**  
**Las Palmas, 1977.**

**Black: Huan Bellon.**

**Queen's Indian Defense**

|             |          |             |            |
|-------------|----------|-------------|------------|
| 1 N-KB3     | N-KB3    | 19 Q-K51(e) | QxQ        |
| 2 P-B4      | P-QN3    | 20 BxQ      | KR-K1      |
| 3 P-Q4      | P-K3     | 21 B-QB3    | RxP        |
| 4 P-KN3     | B-N2     | 22 P-R3     | N-B7       |
| 5 B-N2      | B-K2     | 23 QR-B1    | N-Q5       |
| 6 N-B3      | N-K5     | 24 BxN      | PxB        |
| 7 Q-B2      | NxN      | 25 BxP      | RxR        |
| 8 QxN       | O-O      | 26 RxR      | B-R3       |
| 9 O-O       | B-KB3    | 27 R-B7     | P-R4       |
| 10 Q-B2     | P-Q4     | 28 RxRP     | B-N4       |
| 11 PxP      | PxP      | 29 RxP      | K-R2       |
| 12 B-B4(a)  | N-R3     | 30 R-N7     | R-K8ch     |
| 13 KR-Q1    | Q-K2(b)  | 31 K-N2     | B-B8ch     |
| 14 P-KR4(c) | P-B4     | 32 K-B3     | P-Q6       |
| 15 PxP      | QR-B1(d) | 33 B-K4ch   | K-N1       |
| 16 N-Q41    | N-N5     | 34 B-N6     | B-K7ch     |
| 17 Q-Q2     | BxN      | 35 K-K3     | Resigns(f) |
| 18 QxB      | PxP      |             |            |

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(a) Not the best move. Stronger is 12 P-QN4.

(b) Already, it seems that Black has no problem to solve, so it is time to confuse the issue.

(c) Not exactly typical for a Queen's Indian.

(d) Black should have played 15 . . . PxP.

(e) The heart of White's idea.

(f) After 35 . . . B-B8ch Black resigned without waiting for White's reply, since any move of the white king wins.

White: Tal. Black: Larsen. Las Palmas, 1977. Caro-Kann Defense 1 e4 c6 2 d4 d5 3 Nd2 de 4 Ne4 Nf6 5 Nf6 gf 6 Bc4 Bf5 7 Bf4 Qb6 8 Bb3 a5 9 a4 Nd7 10 Nf3 Qa6 11 Nh4 Bg6 12 Qg4 e6 13 Bc7 f5 14 Qf4 Bg7 15 h3 0-0 16 0-0-0 Rac8 17 g4 c5 18 gf c4 19 Ba2 ef 20 c3 Rfe8 21 Rhe1 Qc6 22 d5 Qa4 23 Qc4 Qc4 24 Re8 Re8 25 Bc4 Re4 26 Ng6 Rc4 27 Ne7 Kh8 28 Ba5 Bh6 29 Kb1 Rf4 30 Nc8 Rf2 31 Nb6 Ne5 32 c4 Be3 33 d6 Nc6 34 d7 Bg5 35 Bc3 Kg8 36 Rg1 Resigns.

White: Martin. Black: Bellon. Las Palmas, 1977. Caro-Kann Defense 1 e4 c6 2 d4 d5 3 ed cd 4 c4 Nf6 5 Nc3 Nc6 6 Bg5 Qa5 7 Nf3 Bg4 8 Qb3 0-0-0 9 Bf6 gf 10 cd Nb4 11 Bc4 Kb8 12 a3 e6 13 de fe 14 0-0 Bf3 25 ab Rg8 16 g3 Qh5 17 Rfc1 Rd4 18 Nb5 Rd2 19 Qe3 Rg3 20 fg Qh2 21 Kf1 Qh1 22 Qg1 Bg2 23 Ke1 Qg1 24 Kd2 Bh6 25 Resigns.

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White: Lawrence Day. William Martz. Lone Pine, 1977. Grunfeld Defense 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 Nc3 d5 4 Nf3 Bg7 5 e3 0-0 6 Be2 b6 7 0-0 Bb7 8 b4 dc 9 Bc4 Nbd7 10 Qb3 Ne8 11 Ba3 Nd6 12 Be2 e5 13 Rfd1 ed 14 Nd4 Qg5 15 Bf3 Bf3 16 Nf3 Qf6 17 Rac1 Ne5 18 Ne5 Qe5 19 Nd5 Nb5 20 f4 Qe6 21 Rc6 Qg4 22 Bb2 Bb2 23 Ne7 Kg7 24 Qb2 Kh6 25 Rd5 Nd6 26 Rcd6 cb 27 Qf6 Resigns.

White: Arthur Bisguier. Ronald Henley. Lone Pine, 1977. King's Indian Defense 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 Bg7 4 e4 d6 5 Bg5 Nbd7 6 f4 c5 7 d5 Qa5 8 Bd3 h6 9 Bh4 Nh5 10 Nge2 Nf4 11 Nf4 Bc3 12 bc g5 13 0-0 Ne5 14 Be1 gf 15 Bf4 Bd7 16 Be2 Qa4 17 Qb3 0-0-0 18 Bg3 f6 19 Rf2 Nf7 20 Bg4 Qa5 21 Rb1 b6 22 Bd7 Rd7 23 a4 Nd8 24 Ra2 Nb7 25 Qc2 Qa6 26 a5 Na5 27 Rb5 Rb7 28 e5 fe 29 Qf5 Rd7 30 Be5 de 31 Raa5 Qa5 32 Ra5 ba 33 Qe6 Rhd8 34 Qh6 Rd6 35 Qe3 e6 36 Qc5 Kb8 37 Qa5 ed 38 cd Rd5 39 Qb4 Kc7 40 h4 a5 41 Qe4 Kb6 42 h5 Kc5 43 h6 Ra8 44 h7 a4 45 Qb4 Kc6 46 Qc4 Kd6 47 Qh4 Resigns.

White: Lazlo Szabo. Black: John Fedorowicz. Lone Pine, 1977. Benoni Counter Gambit 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 d5 b5 4 cb a6 5 e3 g6 6 Nc3 d6 7 ba Bg7 8 Bb5 Nbd7 9 Nge2 0-0 10 0-0 Ba6 11 Ba6 Ra6 12 Rb1 Qa8 13 b4 cb 14 Rb4 Rc8 15 e4 Ng4 16 h3 Nge5 17 Be3 Nf3 18 gf Bc3 19 Nc3 Rc3 20 Qd4 Qc8 21 Rfb1 Ra2 22 Bh6 f6 23 Rb8 Nb8 24 Qc3 Qd8 25 Rb7 Kf7 26 f4 Nd7 27 e5 fe 28 fe Ne5 29 Bg5 Kg8 30 Be7 Qe8 31 Qc7 Ra8 32 Qd6 Nf7 33 Qe6 Qa4 34 Bg5 Rf8 35 Bh6 Qa8 36 Qf6 Resigns.

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