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# Chess

#### LERA CLASS CHAMPIONSHIPS RESULTS

The tenth annual LERA Sunnyvale Class Championships attracted 227 players to the Lockheed Employees' Recreation Association facilities for a five-round Swiss system tournament, Sept. 25-26. Jim Hurt of Saratoga was in charge of the USCF rated event, with Ted and Ruby Yudacufski of Monterey functioning as directors. Complete results:

**Open Division** 

1st, Walter Browne, Berkeley, 4½-½, \$400; 2nd, Robert Newbold, Palo Alto, 4-1, \$165; 3rd-4th, Dennis Fritzinger, Berkeley, and John Milton, El Cajon, 3½-1½, \$83 each.

## Class A

1st, Borel Menas, San Francisco, 4½-½, \$225; 2nd-3rd, Steve Cross, Berkeley, and Richard Parsons, Sunnyvale, 4-1, \$98 each; 4th-5th, Walter Dorne, Berkeley, and Michael Ewell, San Jose, 31/2-11/2, \$23 each.

#### Class B

1st, Chris Black, Sunnyvale, 5-0, \$350; 2nd-3rd, James Black, San Jose, and David Weldon, Berkeley, 4½-½, \$138 each; 4th-6th, David Cater, Sunnyvale, Charles Kleiman, San Francisco, and Ricardo Lemus, San Francisco, 4-1, \$20 each.

# Class C

1st, Mike Arne, Castro Valley, 5-0, \$330; 2nd-8th, Greg Bowman, Sunnyvale, Mike DuDash, Sunnyvale, William Gompert, Pacifica, Jaine Mendoza, San Jose, Frederick Muollo, San Jose, Michael Vaughn, San Jose, and Jim Wurm, San Jose, 4-1, \$47.10 each.

#### Class D

1st, William Dewing, Palo Alto, 41/2-1/2, \$120; 2nd-5th, Ross Holmes, San Jose, Kent Howard, Palo Alto, James O'Hara, Santa Clara, and Charles Smith, Los Altos, 4-1, \$30 each.

# Class E.

1st, Ed Mullen, Los Gatos, 41/2-1/2, \$70; 2nd-3rd, Edward Lennon, San Mateo, and Brian Wilson, Santa Clara, 4-1, \$38 each.

## **Unrated Division**

1st, Ulf Wostner, Berkeley, 5-0, \$90; 2nd-4th, Peter Frohman, Sunnyvale, Rodolfo Maninang, San Jose, and Jaroslav Skrenek, Berkeley, 4-1, \$30 each.

Here are some of the most interesting games from the 1976

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; pawn captures

LERA Class Championships, recorded in USCF approved

designated by file letters only).

White: Walter Browne (2562). 'Black: John Milton (2152). LERA Class Championships, Sunnyvale, Rd. 5, Sept. 26, 1976. Sicilian Defense 1 Nf3 c5 2 c4 Nc6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 Nd4 6 Qd4 h6 7 e4 d6 8 Be2 g6 9 Be3 Bg7 10 Qd2 Ng4 11 Bg4 Bg4 12 Rc1 Be6 13 Nd5 Bd5 14 cd 0-0 15 0-0 Kh7 16 Rc4 Qd7 17 Bd4 Bd4 18 Qd4 Rfc8 19 Rfc1 Rc4 20 Qc4 e6 21 g3 Re8 22 Kg2 ed 23 ed a6 24 Qc7 Re7 25 Qd7 Rd7 26 f4 Kg7 27 Kf3 Re7 28 b4 Kf8 29 a4 Ke8 30 b5 ab 31 ab h5 32 b6 Kd7 33 h3 Kd8 34 g4 hg 35 hg Rd7 36 f5 gf 37gf f6 38 Re1 Rf7 39 Ra1 Rd7 40 Kg4 Rg7 41 Kf4 Rh7 42 Ra8 Kd7 43 Rb8 Rh4 44 Ke3 Rh3 45 Kd4 Rh4 46 Kc3 Rh5 47 Rb7 Kc8 48 Rc7 Kb8 49 Rf7 Rf5 50 Kc4 Kc8 51 Kb5 Rd5 52 Ka6 Resigns.

White: John Milton (2152). Black: Aki Kanamori (2197). LERA Class Championships, Sunnyvale, Rd. 4, Sept. 26, 1976. Sicilian Defense 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 a6 6 Be3 e6 7 Be2 Nbd7 8 f4 b5 9 Bf3 Bb7 10 e5 Bf3 11 Nf3 de 12 fe Ng4 13 Bd4 Qc7 14 Qe2 b4 15 Qe4 Rb8 16 Qg4 bc 17 Bc3 h5 18 Qa4 Bc5 19 0-0-0 Rb7 20 Rd3 0-0 21 Qh4 g6 22 g4 Bb4 23 gh Bc3 24 Rc3 Qa5 25 hg fg 26 Ng5 Ne5 27 Rh3 Nd3 28 cd Qc5 29 Kd1 Qe5 30 Qh6 Qb2 31 Qg6 Rg7 32 Qe6 Rff7 33 Qe8 Rf8 34 Rh8 Kh8 35 Qf8 Rg8 36 Qh6mate.

White: Dennis Fritzinger (2268). Black: Eleuterio Alsasua (2032). LERA Class Championships, Sunnyvale, Rd. 3, Sept. 25, 1976. King's Gambit Declined 1 e4 e5 2 f4 Qh4 3 g3 Qe7 4 fe d6 5 Nf3 de 6 Bc4 Bg4 7 d3 Nf6 8 0-0 Nc6 9 Bg5 0-0-0 10 Nbd2 h6 11 Bf6 Qf6 12 Kg2 Bc5 13 h3 Bh5 14 g4 Bg6 15 Nd4 Qd6 16 Nc6 Qc6 17 Bf7 Bf7 18 Rf7 Be3 19 Nc4 Bf4 20 Qf3 g5 21 a4 Qe6 22 Rf5 Rde8 23 a5 a6 24 Ne3 c6 25 Nc4 Kb8 26 b4 Qg6 27 Nb6 Kc7 28 Rd1 h5 29 gh Rh5 30 d4 Rh7 31 de Be5 32Qg4 Rg7 33 Re5 Resigns.

White: Robert Lavios (1414). Black: Gary Smith (1514). LERA Class Championships, Sunnyvale, Rd. 1, Sept. 25, 1976. Petroff's Defense 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nf6 3 d4 ed 4 e5 Ne4 5 Qe2 Nc5 6 Nd4 Be7 7 Be3 0-0 8 Nc3 d5 9 f4 Nc6 10 Nc6 bc 11 Qf2 Ne6 12 0-0-0 Re8 13 Ne4 a5 14 h4 Bd7 15 f5 de 16 fe fe 17 Bc4 Qc8 18 Qg3 Kh8 19 Qf4 Rb8 20 Qe4 Rf8 21 Bd3 g6 22 h5 Resigns.

White: Ulf Wostner (Unr.). Black: Stan Weiss (Unr.). LERA Class Championships, Sunnyvale, Rd. 1, Sept. 25, 1976. Sicilian Defense 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 d6 5 Nc3 Nf6 6 Bc4 g6 7 Nc6 bc 8 e5 Ng4 9 e6 Ne5 10 ef Nf7 11 Bf7 Kf7 12 Qf3 Ke8 13 Qc6 Bd7 14 Qa6 Qc7 15 0-0 Bg7 16 Bd2 Rb8 17 Rfe1 e6 18 Nd5 Qc2 19 Qd6 Bf8 20 Nf6 Kf7 21 Qd7 Kf6 22 Re6 Resigns.

NATIONAL CHESS DAY

Chess players across the nation will have the opportunity to observe "National Chess Day", Oct. 9, through special activities planned for that day by local chess organizations. Persons desiring to learn about the United States Chess Federation, chess insturction, exhibits and exhibitions in this area may contact John Larkins, 653-6529.

The President of the United States has accorded "National

Chess Day" official recognition in the form of an open letter

to America's chess players:

"I welcome this opportunity to greet America's chess players and to give special recognition to a game that generates challenge, intellectual stimulation and enjoyment for citizens of all ages.

"This national observance focuses on the champions who have mastered the intricate skills of this exciting game as well as the countless fans who find it a constructive way to

spend their leisure hours.

'For both professionals and amateurs, chess is a game that sharpens the mind, tests human faculties and encourages healthy competition. It has captivated the attention of players and spectators worldwide and will continue to do so as long as competition and excellence challenge mankind.'

(signed) Gerald R. Ford

# 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 to 12 p.m.

Cherryland Cafe, 22472 Meekland Ave., Hayward (corner of A Street and Meekland Avenue, 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 Street and Bancroft Avenue). Monday, 7 to 11 p.m.

The Fremont Chess Club, 40204 Paseo Padre Parkway (near City Hall at Lake Elizabeth). Wednesday, 7 to 11 p.m. The Livermore Chess Club, Fourth and J streets. Friday, 8

to 12 p.m.