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Chess

TAL AND BELYAVSKY CO-WINNERS

Defeating **Mikhail Tal** in the penultimate round of the 42nd USSR Championship, young **Alexander Belyavsky** held even with him to finish in a tie for first place. Complete results:

1st-2nd, Alexander Belyavsky (2460) and Mikhail Tal (2635), 9¹/₂-5¹/₂; **3rd-4th**, Lev Polugaevsky (2630) and Rafael Vaganyan (2540), 9-6; **5th-7th**, Lev Alburt (2420), Mark Dvoretzky (2495) and Oleg Romanishin (2470), 8¹/₂-6¹/₂; **8th**, Yuri Balashov (2540), 8-7; **9th**, Gennady Kuzmin (2600), 7¹/₂-7¹/₂; **10th-11th**, Vitaly Tseshkovsky (2545) and Evgeny Vasyukov (2560), 7-8; **12th**, Vladimir Savon (2575), 6¹/₂-8¹/₂; **13th-15th**, Karen Grigoryan (2520), Boris Gulko (2435) and Mark Taimanov (2580), 6-9; **16th**, Viktor Kupreychik (2460), 3¹/₂-11¹/₂.

HUEBNER ANNOTATES BEST GAME AT HOUSTON

Tournament winner **Robert Huebner** supplied notes to his best game of the event for the bulletin of the Houston International.

White: Robert Huebner (2615). Black: Julio Kaplan (2460). Houston International, 1974.

King's Indian Defense

1 P-Q4	N-KB3	22 K-K3	B-Q2
2 N-KB3	P-KN3	23 bK-Q2	N-B4
3 P-B4	B-N2	24 P-KR5	R-N2(m)
4 N-B3	O-O	25 R-KN1	Q-B5ch
5 P-K4	P-Q3	26 K-B2	NxRP
6 B-K2	P-K4	27 N(5)xQP	P-N4(n)
7 O-O	P-B3	28 NxN	BxN
8 P-Q5	PxP	29 N-Q6	BxP(o)
9 BPxP	N-R3(a)	30 RxRch	KxR
10 N-Q2	N-K1(b)	31 BxP	BxP(p)
11 N-B4	P-B4	32 Q-N1ch	K-R1
12 P-B3(c)	P-B5(d)	33 RxN	R-KN1
13 P-QR4	P-KN4	34 QxP	R-N7ch
14 N-N5	R-B3(e)	35 K-N3	RxPch
15 P-KN4(f)	PxPe.p.(g)	36 K-R3	Q-B8(q)
16 BxP	Q-Q2(h)	37 Q-N8ch	K-N2
17 PxP(i)	R-N3(j)	38 R-R7ch	K-R3
18 B-R4	B-B3	39 Q-B8ch	K-N4
19 K-B2(k)	BxB	40 Q-B5ch	K-R5
20 PxB	Q-R6(l)	41 RxPch	K-N6
21 R-R1	Q-N6ch	42 R-R3ch	Resigns

(a) Black wants to slow down White's queen-side attack and protect the square QB2. The knight goes to B4 or N5 occasionally. The move looks artificial, however, because the knight can shortly become a target of White's attack. QB2 is usually sufficiently protected by N-K1, which seems to be the move in this position that leaves open the greatest variety of possibilities for Black.

(b) 10...B-R3 11 N-B4 BxB 12 QxB is too dangerous. After 13 P-B4 the Black center collapses.

(c) 12 P-B4 N-B4 13 PxKP QPxP 14 B-K3 NxP 15 NxN PxN 16 RxRch KxR looks overwhelming, but I fail to see an advantageous continuation for White.

(d) Black has to keep White's bishop from K3, where it would put uncomfortable pressure on his QRP.

(e) This involves an interesting pawn sacrifice. 14...P-R3 15 B-Q2 R-B3 16 B-K1 P-R4 17 B-B2 P-N3 18 P-R5 seems too slow.

(f) After 15 B-Q2 R-N3 16 B-K1 P-R4 17 B-B2 P-N5 Black comes earlier.

(g) Otherwise Black's attack comes to a complete stop and White wins easily on the queenside.

(h) Interesting is 16...B-R3. 17 Q-Q2 fails to 17...Q-Q2; therefore, White must accept the sacrifice of the exchange. After 17 BxR PxPch 18 K-R1 QxB 19 P-B4 BxP 20 B-R5 White conquers the pawn on Q6. Black's attack should not be sufficient compensation for the loss of material.

(i) After 17 BxR? Q-R6 Black has at least a draw.

(j) 17...Q-R6 is met by 18 B-R4 R-N3 19 K-B2 Q-R7ch 20 K-K3 N-B4 21 K-Q2, and the White king is secure while the Black queen is misplaced on R7.

(k) 19 BxB? Q-R6 20 B-R4 QxB is not to be recommended.

(l) This drives the king to the queenside, where it is more secure, but after 20...Q-K2 21 R-R1 B-Q2 22 Q-Q2 N-B4 23 P-KR5 R-N2 24 Q-R6 or 23...R-B3 24 N-B3 White gets a dangerous attack himself.

(m) 24...Q-B5ch 25 K-B2 R-B3 (25...R-N2 26 Q-QB1 does not make much difference to the game.) 26 N-B3 R-QB1 27 P-N4 NxRP 28 NxN BxN 29 RxB P-N4 30 RxP PxN 31 P-N5 K-R1 32 Q-Q2 gives White a decisive advantage: the QNP is too strong.

(n) Stiffer resistance was possible with 27...NxN 28 NxN Q-B3, but White is winning after 29 N-N5 BxN 30 BxB N-N3.

(o) After 29...Q-B1 30 RxRch KxR 31 Q-N1ch K-R1 32 Q-N5 QxN x33 R-KN1 B-N3 34 PxP White mates first.

(p) After 31...N-N3 32 B-B6 the win was not too difficult either.

(q) After 36...R-R7ch 37 KxR Q-Q7ch 38 K-N3 B-Q8ch 39 K-B4 Q-B7ch 40 K-N4 the monarch escapes via B5 or R5.

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Here are a couple of fierce fights from the same competition, 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 move; pawn captures designated by file letters only).

White: William Martz (2375). Black: Craig Chellstorp (2380). Houston International, 1974. Grunfeld Defense 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 d5 4 Nf3 Bg7 5 Bf4 0-0 6 Rc1 c6 7 e3 Qa5 8 Qb3 dc 9 Bc4 b5 10 Bf7 Rf7 11 Bb8 Rb8 12 Ne5 e6 13 Nc6 Qb6 14 Nb8 Qb8 15 Qb5 Rb7 16 Qa5 Rb2 17 Qd8 Kf7 18 Ne4 Qb4 19 Kf1 Ba6 20 Kg1 g5 21 Rc7 Kg6 22 Rg7 Kg7 23 Qf6 Kg8 24 Qg5 Kh8 25 Qe5 Kg8 26 h4 Resigns.

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White: Andrew Karklins (2400). Black: Alexandar Matanovic (2490). Houston International, 1974. French Defense 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 e5 c5 4 c3 Nc6 5 Nf3 Qb6 6 a3 c4 7 Nbd2 Bd7 8 b3 cb 9 Nb3 Na5 10 Na5 Qa5 11 Bd2 Qc7 12 Bd3 h6 13 0-0 Ne7 14 Qe2 Nc8 15 a4 Nb6 16 a5 Nc4 17 Bc4 Qc4 18 Qc4 dc 19 Rfb1 Bc6 20 Ne1 Rc8 21 f3 Be7 22 Nc2 a6 23 Ne3 Bb5 24 Rd1 f6 25 ef gf 26 f4 f5 27 d5 Bc5 28 de Rd8 29 Kh1 Rd2 30 Rd2 Be3 31 Rd5 Rf4 32 Rf5 Bg5 33 Rf7 Bc6 34 Rg7 Bf6 35 Rc7 0-0 36 e7 Re8 37 Re1 Bc3 38 Re6 Ba5 39 Resigns.

HAYWARD CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

The Hayward Chess Club Championship for 1975, dubbed the "Jack Frost Tournament", will take place in the H.A.R.D. building at Palma Ceia Park (corner of Miami Ave. and Decatur Way) starting Jan. 13 at 8 p.m. Cash prizes and trophies will be awarded to the winners in several categories (No. 1, 2 and 3 Iceberg, "Grand Old Glacier", "Chip Off the Old Glacier" and "Meanest Crag"). Entry fee is \$5 for members and \$8 for non-members of the Hayward Chess Club. USCF Certified Local Tournament Director **Jerry Rogers** will run the rated, seven-round Swiss system event; time control, 45 moves in two hours. For additional information, please call 582-6715 (5:30-10 p.m.).

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, 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.