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Chess

LERA TOURNAMENT RESULTS

USCF certified tournament directors **Ted** and **Ruby Yudacufski** ran a five-round Swiss system tourney of 184 players at the Lockheed facility opposite Sunnyvale, Sept. 28-29. Complete results:

Open Division

1st, Dennis Waterman (2358), San Francisco, 4½-1½, \$300; **2nd-3rd**, Jeremy Silman (2232), San Francisco, and Richard Bustamente (2125), Castle Air Force Base, 4-1, \$75 each; **1st-3rd A**, Richard Price (1972), Oakland, Yuri Chemokud (1992), San Francisco, and Blaine Newcomb (1901), Berkeley, 4-1, \$76.75 each.

Class B

1st, William Hartnell (1668), Santa Clara, 4½-1½, \$200; **2nd-4th**, Grover Miller (1730), Foster City, Gary Luke (1718), Santa Cruz, and Donald Lieberman (1726), Santa Clara, 4-1, \$66.75 each.

Class C

1st-3rd, Michael Padovani (1580), San Leandro, Nick Hill (1557), San Francisco, and Mike Huber (1576), San Jose, 4½-1½, \$120 each; **4th-6th**, Ernesto Sana (1594), Daly City, Jerry Kearns (1583), Alameda, and John Dwyer (1576), San Jose, 4-1, \$16.75 each.

Class D-E

1st, Andrew Fire (1352), Sunnyvale, 5-0, \$125; **2nd-6th**, Chris Mavraedis (1395), Fremont, David Mostardi (1387), Fremont, Pawel Kerntopf (924), Stanford, Robert Oliver (1391), Berkeley, and Bart Rothwell (1300), Los Altos, 4-1, \$31 each.

Unrated Division

1st, Manuel Sigua, San Francisco, 4½-1½, \$80; **2nd-3rd**, Greg Richl, Moraga, and Geir Ole Aagedal, Sunnyvale, 4-1, \$40 each.

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Although international grandmaster **Walter Browne** finished out of the money this time, he still produced one of the outstanding games of the event, recorded here in USCF endorsed 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: Walter Browne (2600). Black: Tom Dorsch (2085). Sunnyvale, Sept. 28, 1974. Sicilian Defense 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 e6 5 Nc3 Qc7 6 g3 Nf6 7 Bg2 a6 8 0-0 d6 9 Re1 Bd7 10 Nc6 Bc6 11 Nd5 Bd5 12 ed e5 13 f4 Be7 14 Qe2 0-0 15 fe Nd5 16 Qe4 Qc5 17 Kh1 Nb4 18 Be3 Qa5 19 Qb7 Nc2 20 b4 Qe5 21 Bd2 Rab8 22 Re5 Rb7, 23 Re2 Rc7 24 Rc1 Rfc8 25 Bh3 Nd4 26 Bc8 Rc1 27 Bc1 Ne2 28 Bd2 Nd4 29 Ba6 Kf8 30 Kg2 Ke8 31 Bc4 g6 32 a4 f5 33 a5 Kd7 34 Bg8 h6 35 Bh6 g5 36 Bg7 Nb5 37 Bc4 Nc7 38 b5 d5 39 Bd3 Kc8 40 Bf5 Kb7 41 Bd7 Bc5 42 Bc6 Kb8 43 b6 Resigns.

KARPOV - 2, KORCHNOI - 0

With draws not counting in the final score, **Anatoly Karpov** retains his 2-0 lead over **Viktor Korchnoi** after nine rounds of play in their world championship candidates' match. Five victories are needed for the winner to earn the right to challenge **Robert Fischer** in 1975.

White: Anatoly Karpov.

Black: Viktor Korchnoi.

Moscow, 1974; Match Game No. 6.

Petroff's Defense

1 P-K4	P-K4	17 NxB	BxPch
2 N-KB3	N-KB3	18 RxB	NxR
3 NxP	P-Q3	19 KxN	Q-Q3
4 N-KB3	NxP	20 N-N5!(j)	R-KB1
5 P-Q4	P-Q4	21 Q-R3!	Q-Q1
6 B-Q3	B-K2	22 B-KB4	P-KR3
7 0-0	N-QB3	23 N-B3	R-K1
8 R-K1	B-KN5(a)	24 B-Q3	R-K5(k)
9 P-B3(b)	P-B4(c)	25 P-KN3!	R-B3
10 Q-N3	0-0	26 Q-B5	P-N4(l)
11 QN-Q2(d)	K-R1(e)	27 NxP	PxN
12 P-KR3!(f)	B-R4(g)	28 BxNP	R(5)-K3
13 QxNP	R-B3	29 R-K1	Q-KN1
14 Q-N3(h)	R-N3	30 P-KR4!(m)	R-N3
15 B-K2	B-R5(i)	31 RxR	Forfeit(n)
16 R-B1	BxN		

(a) Black provides indirect support for his forward knight, since 9 BxN PxB 10 RxP would be answered by 10...BxN 11 QxB (11 PxBP-B4) NxP.

(b) Renewing his threat to win a pawn.

(c) Approved by theoreticians for over a century, this move nonetheless violates sound chess principles by creating permanent weaknesses in Black's position. Preferable is retreating the knight and allowing White his usual slight superiority out of the opening, e.g., 9...N-Q3 10 B-KB4 0-0 11 Q-B2! (else 11 QN-Q2 B-B4! equalizes immediately) (Hooper).

(d) Lasker fared poorly against Pillsbury at St. Petersburg, 1895 after 11 B-KB4 (and not 11 BxN PxB 12 RxP BxN 13 PxBRxP or 11 QxNP R-B3 12 Q-N3 R-N1 13 Q-B2 R-KN3 14 B-K2 B-Q3, with a stng attack) BxN 12 PxB N-N4.

(e) Korchnoi consumed 39 minutes to play this standard reply, known since at least 1880.

(f) A precision innovation, the worth of which can be appreciated more fully after comparing with the alternative: 12 QxNP (12 N-B1 BxN 13 PxB NxKBP) R-B3 13 Q-N3 R-N3 14 B-K2 R-N1 15 Q-B2 B-Q3 16 P-QN3 B-KR6 (arriving by transposition to the game, Gunsberg—Weiss, New York, 1889. Karpov's early P-KR3 for White does not permit this line of attack.) 17 B-B1 Q-B3 18 P-N3 BxB 19 KxB R-KB1 20 NxN BPxN 21 N-R4 RxP 22 PxR BxP 23 K-N2 BxN 24 B-K3 Q-B6ch 25 K-R2 BxN 26 K-N1 R-B3 27 K-B1 Q-N5 28 Q-Q1 R-B6 29 R-B1 Q-R6ch 30 Resigns.

(g) Although 12...BxN may represent the lesser evil, Black has serious positional problems to solve in any event.

(h) Otherwise, 14...R-N1 15 Q-R6 N-N5 wins material.

(i) Korchnoi used up all but ten minutes of his clock time on this awkward-looking move rather than attempt the natural sequence, 15...R-N1 16 Q-B2 B-Q3.

(j) Having coolly defended himself, Karpov now launches the decisive counterblow.

(k) Wishing for 25 BxR BPxB, with some vestige of counterplay.

(l) No time to think, move!

(m) The black-squared bishop is more valuable than the hapless rook.

(n) Korchnoi had tried to play 31...RxR, but the match referee stayed his hand and informed him that his time had expired. Even on 31...RxR, however, 32 B-N5 Q-K1 33 QxQP or 32...N-Q1 33 QxBP, Black remains hopelessly behind (Byrne).

TARJAN TOPS IN FREMONT

Conducting a simultaneous display at the Fremont Chess Club, Oct. 2, prior to his departure for an international tournament in Yugoslavia, **Jim Tarjan** scored a perfect 16 wins, no losses and no draws.

KOLTANOWSKI SPECIAL GUEST APPEARANCE

World renowned international master **George Koltanowski** will make a special guest appearance at the Del Monte shopping center in Monterey (just off Hwy. 1), Oct. 12-13 at 1 p.m.

Koltanowski will relate the latest news and views on Robert Fischer and the Soviet challengers to his title in addition to giving simultaneous chess exhibitions on both days. A merchandise prize will be awarded to anyone who can draw or win against the world blindfold chess champion.

For advance registration or more information, please contact the Monterey Chess Center, P. O. Box 1308, Monterey, Calif. 93940, phone: (408) 372-9790.