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mid-south

The annual Mid-South Open, Memphis's most prestigious tournament, may not be so glorious anymore. The \$2,700 guaranteed prize fund was backed by two local chess supporters for the last two years. Last year the tournament nearly broke even with 120 entries. This year the amateur section was about half as large and total entry was only 80. The tournament was hurt by tournaments in Dallas (National Open) and Birmingham on the same weekend and the large tournament in Jackson a week later as well as the economy.

Not all the news is bad, the tournament again drew Arthur Bisguier, International Grandmaster from NY and Boris Kogan, International Master from Atlanta came for the first time. Entries came from several states, Viktors Pupols came from Washington state. Viktors was for a long time one of the two strongest players in the Northwest, has perhaps the best record in the world versus Yasser Seirawan as he was growing up, and is the Latvian Gambit expert in the United States - he even beat Bobby Fischer with the Gambit named after Viktors' homeland. Northwest Chess has been running a series of articles about Viktors and a book is soon to be published.

The Georgia Bulldog as Boris Kogan is called, won the tournament after having drawn with Jerry Wheeler in a rook and knight versus rook ending and then beating a weary Art Bisguier with similar material to score 4½. Boris is a double Georgian, originally from

Soviet Georgia and settling in Atlanta after coming to the USA.

Grandmaster Bisguier had a tough tournament. The trip from NY to Crossville to Memphis, the exhibition Friday nite and a small disagreement over 3rd round pairings all served to tire the Grandmaster who won last year's Mid-South and has brightened the atmosphere at the tournament for the last two years. It seems that Brian McCarthy had a chance to make master and was due to be paired with the IGM in round three. However a legal transposition had been made and Brian was not paired with Art. Brian protested and asked the Grandmaster if he would mind if the pairings were changed- Bisguier had already played 8 moves versus Kenny Thomas. Well, after that the details differ according to the source but finally Arthur took Brian with an arm around the shoulder saying "I like this kid, I want to play him." Brian drew the game.

NASHVILLE CANDIDATES

The Nashville Candidates consisted of two six player round robin events with the top five qualifying for the Nashville Championship. This meant that only two would qualify from one section and three from the other. In addition, Mike Carey, last year's Nashville Champion is seeded into the championship. The Championship will take place in January in conjunction with the Nashville Amateur

The round robins were not without the usual upsets. Top rated Johnson Moore qualified the hard way by losing a won game to Lee Edwards and then running into a stalemate against Jeff Bolstad again in a won position. Johnson defeated the next two strongest players in the tourney, Tom Farr and Ronald Burnett. Since both Farr and Burnett drew their game, they all were tied at 3½ to qualify for the finals.

In the B section the games went more closely to expectation. The upset here was the win by Tony Estes (Cat. I) over CM Joe Jones. But still these two will be the qualifiers from the section as neither lost or drew another game. Peter Ciarleglio came close to winning over Estes but in time trouble lost a superior position.

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Report on Tennessee Chess

TOURNAMENTS AND THE ECONOMY

BOTH THE MID-SOUTH AND THE JACKSON WINTER CLASSICS DREW UNDER 100 PLAYERS. THE FAIRFIELD GLADE IN CROSSVILLE HAD 130 PLRS, YET LOST MONEY. I HAVE BEEN A TD FOR TEN YEARS AND I HAVE NEVER SEEN AS MUCH TROUBLE WITH TOURNAMENT-TURNOUT. SOME HAVE BLAMED ME FOR NOT GETTING THE TCN OUT ON ITS APPOINTED SCHEDULE. I TOOK OVER THE OFFICE OF EDITOR IN SEPT. 1981 AND WAS EXPECTED TO HAVE THE FIRST ISSUE OUT BY OCT. 1. THE DEADLINES THAT HAVE BEEN GIVEN WERE NOT CARRIED FOLLOWED BY ME DUE TO THE POOR RESPONSE FROM MY READERS. OTHER FACTORS HAVE DELAYED ISSUES, BUT THIS HAS NOT CAUSED TOURNAMENTS TO HAVE POOR TURNOUTS. ALL MAJOR TOURNEYS HAVE APPEARED MONTHS AHEAD OF TIME BOTH IN TCN AND CHESS LIFE. WE DO HAVE MANY JUNIOR MEMBERS WHO DO NOT RECEIVE CHESS LIFE, BUT THEY HAVE KNOWN THE UP-COMING EVENTS THRU LOCAL ACTIVITIES.

ELSEWHERE IN THIS ISSUE IS A PROPOSAL FOR PATRON MEMBERSHIPS. MANY MEMBERS MAY WONDER WHY LAST TIME TCN WAS SO SMALL. THIS WAS DUE MAINLY TO OUR LIMITED BUDGET: \$200 - 250 PER ISSUE. WITH PATRON MEMBERSHIPS WE CAN INCREASE THE SIZE AND QUALITY EVEN MORE. PLEASE, HELP TCA IMPROVE OUR DECREASING MEMBERSHIP BY BECOMING A PATRON MEMBER. AS I SEE IT, TCA DUES SHOULD GO BACK TO ITS MEMBERS BY MAKING TCN A GOOD MAGAZINE FOR ALL CHESS PLAYERS. IF THE TCA BOARD FEELS THAT I AM RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS LAG IN TOURNAMENT TURNOUT, I WILL RESIGN MY POST. SOMEONE CAN COME FORWARD AND SPEND 200 HOURS OF HARD WORK PREPARING A SUITABLE CHESS MAGAZINE. I PERSONALLY FEEL THAT CHESS SHOULD BE A RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY AND NOT A MONEY-MINDED AND GRUELING STRUGGLE. TOURNAMENT CHESS WILL NEVER REACH THE STATUS OF OTHER SPORTS UNTIL SOMEONE REACHES THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY. IN THE PAST TEN YEARS CHESS HAS SLOWLY GONE DOWN THE TUBES WITH BOBBY FISCHER THE ONLY PLAYER EVER TO REALLY MAKE A LIVING AT IT.

SINCE THERE HAS BEEN SUCH A FRUSTRATED AND DEPRESSING TREND IN THE ECONOMY OF OUR TOURNAMENTS, NEW IDEAS MUST BE BROUGHT TO LIGHT IN ORDER TO SOLVE THE SITUATION. CROSSVILLE'S IDEA OF ONE DAY EVENTS WITH LOW ENTRY FEES MAY BE FOLLOWED BY MEMPHIS. NEVERTHELESS, A FOUR SWISS

SYSTEM WITH 40 IN ONE HOUR TIME CONTROL IS DEEMED TOO FAST BY MANY OF THE HIGHER RATED. IN THE PAST MEMPHIS ONE DAY TOURNEYS HAVE NOT DONE WELL, YET SOME HAVE SAID THAT THEY WOULD LIKE EIGHT MAN GROUPS WITH A THREE GAME FORMAT AND 40 IN TWO HOUR TIME LIMIT. WHAT KIND OF PRIZE FUND WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR AN EVENT LIKE THIS?

WHEN TOURNAMENT ORGANIZERS START SPLITTING PRIZE MONEY, TWO DIFFERENT METHODS APPEAR. ON THE ONE HAND, THERE IS THE IDEA OF AWARDING THE TOP PLAYERS WITH THE HIGHER PERCENTAGE OF THE PRIZE FUND. ON THE OTHER HAND WE SEE SOME TOURNAMENTS WITH A EQUAL DISTRIBUTION OF CLASS PRIZES. SINCE THE AVERAGE RATING IS JUST BELOW 1500, THE CONCEPT OF PUTTING MORE MONEY IN THE CLASSES THAT HAVE MORE PLAYERS IS BEING TRIED TO SEE IF MORE WILL SHOW UP. MEMPHIS INCREASED THE UNDER 1800 GROUP IN THIS YEAR'S MID-SOUTH. JAMES GALLAGHER, WHO STRONGLY BELIEVED IN AWARDING THE LITTLE GUY, COULD ONLY SHAKE HIS HEAD IN DISBELIEF, WHEN LESS THAN FIFTY WERE PLAYING IN THE UNDER 1800 GROUP, AS OPPOSED TO SEVENTY-FOUR IN LAST YEAR'S MID-SOUTH. I JUST DO NOT UNDERSTAND HOW THIS COULD HAPPEN WITH MORE MONIES BEING GIVEN AWAY. HE SAID TO ME AFTER THE TOURNAMENT. I TOLD HIM IT WAS INDEED DISAPPOINTING TO LOSE \$1200 ON THE EVENT. TWO YEARS AGO I HAD BLASTED THE IDEA OF BASED-ON TOURNAMENTS, WHICH MR. GALLAGHER HAD ADVOCATED. NOW, I SEE THE NEED FOR THIS, DUE TO THE REVENUES LOST THIS YEAR.

THEREFORE, TCA MUST PULL TOGETHER FOR THE COMING YEAR AND PRODUCE SOME NEW IDEAS TO HELP WITH THE SAGGING MEMBERSHIP, LOW TOURNAMENT TURNOUT, AND GENERAL CHESS APATHY. PATRON MEMBERSHIPS ARE A FIRST STEP IN SAVING A CRITICAL BUDGET AND PUTTING OUR TCA IN FULL SWING.

MEMPHIS REGAINS HONOR

After losing two heartbreaking years in a row, Memphis showed Nashville its chess muscle, but victory was indeed not easy to obtain. Going into the match, Memphis held an average rating of 2051; Nashville - 1945. The first round seemed to be relative to the 100 point rating difference. With a 8.5 to 3.5 score, Memphis became a little bit too sure of their success in the battle.

Fighting back in the second round, the Nashvillians almost pulled down the mighty Memphis pride. Worn out in strength and vigor Memphis wearily looked at the second round scoreboard to see a

7.5 to 4.5 edge for Nashville. The late Hunter Weakly once summed up the feelings that the winner and loser have after a grueling struggle: "Even though either side was winning and losing during the game---look to the wall-chart for the real result." As the "real" points were tallied, Memphis emerged as the winner: 11 to 13.

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Herbers (2021) - Gray (2147)
 1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 g6 3. Nc3 Bg7
 4. h3 0-0 5. Bf4 d6 6. Nf3
 Nbd7 7. e3 c6 8. Be2 a6 9.
 0-0 b5 10. a3 Bb7 11. Rcl Rc8
 12. Rel h6 13. Qd2 Re8 14. e4
 g5 15. e5 Nh7 16. Bg3 de5 17.
 de5 Nc5 18. Qc2 Qb6 19. b4
 Ne6 20. c5 Qc7 21. Bd3 Nh8
 22. Bf5 Rcd8 23. Ne4 Nf4 24.
 Neg5 hg5 25. Ng5 N4e6 26.
 Bh7 Nh7 27. Qh7 Kf8 28. Ne6
 fe6 29. Rc3 Black resigns.

Linxwiler (2106) - Weeks
 (1896) 1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3.
 d4 c3 4. Nd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 g6
 6. f4 Nc6 7. Be2 Bd7 8. Be3
 Bg7 9. Qd2 0-0 10. 0-0-0 Rac
 11. Nb3 Na5 12. h3 Nb3 13.
 ab3 Qa5 14. Nbl Qa2 15. Qb4
 Ne4 16. Qe4 Bf5 17. Qc4 Rc4
 White resigns.

J. Smith (1961) - Pupols (2195)
 1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 f5 3. Bc4 fe4
 4. Ne5 Qg5 5. d4 Qg2 6. Qh5+
 g6 7. Bf7+ Ke7 8. Ng6+ hg6
 9. Qh8 Qh1+ 10. Ke2 Qf3+ 11.
 Kel Kf7 White resigns.

B. Baker (2350) - Thomas (2148)
 1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 cd4
 4. Nd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 a6 6. Bc4
 e6 7. Bb3 b5 8. 0-0 Be7 9.
 Qf3 Qc7 10. Rel 0-0 11. Qg3
 Kh8 12. Bg5 Nc6 13. Nc6 Qc6
 14. Rad1 Rd8 15. Nd5! Nd5 16.
 Bd5 ed5 17. ed5 Qc2 18. Be7
 Rg8 19. Bd6 f6 20. Qb3 Qb3
 21. ab3 Ra7 22. b4 Rd8 23.
 Be7 Rg8 24. f3 h5 25. Kf2
 Kh7 26. Rcl Kg6 27. d6 Kf7
 28. Rc3 Bd7 29. Rec1 g6 30.
 Ke3 Ke6 31. Kd4 Rb7 32. Re3+
 Kf7 33. Rc5 Rc8 34. Rc8 Bc8
 35. Bd8 Rd7 36. Bc7 Bb7 37.
 Kc5 f5 38. Kb6 f4 39. Re5
 Bc8 40. h4 Kf6 41. Re8 Black
 resigns.

McCarthy (2186) - Bisguier
 (2499) 1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3.
 Bb5 a6 4. Ba4 f5 5. d4 ed4 6.
 e5 Bc5 7. 0-0 Nge7 8. Bb3 d5
 9. ed6 Qd6 10. Rel Bd7 11.
 Nbd2 b5 12. a4 Rb8 13. Qe2 h6
 14. ab5 ab5 15. Ra6 d3 16. cd3
 Nd4 17. Qe5 Qe5 18. Ne5 Bc8
 19. Ral Rf8 20. Bd1 g5 21. Nb3
 Nb3 22. Bb3 Draw.

Bisguier (2499) - Gallagher
 (2070) 1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 c5 3.
 e3 e6 4. Nc3 d5 5. Nf3 Nc6 6.
 a3 b6 7. cd5 ed5 8. Bb5 Qd6
 9. dc5 bc5 10. e4 d4 11. e5
 Qe6 12. 0-0 Ng4 13. Ne4 Bd7
 14. Rel Be7 15. Nd6 Kf8 16.
 Bc4 Qe5 17. Ne5 Nge5 18. f4
 Black resigns.

J. Smith (1967) - B. Kogan
 (2558) 1. Nf3 c5 2. c4 Nf6 3.
 Nc3 d5 4. cd5 Nd5 5. e4 Nb4
 6. d3 Bg4 7. a3 Bf3 8. gf3
 Nb4c6 9. Be3 e6 10. f4 Be7
 11. Qg4 g6 12. Rdl Nd4 13.
 Bg2 Nc2+ 14. Ke2 Nc6 15. h4
 h5 16. Qg3 Qb6 17. Rbl N2d4
 18. Kf1 0-0-0 19. Bh3 Rd7 20.
 Nd5 ed5 21. ed5 f5 22. dc6
 Qc6 23. Bg2 Qb5 24. Bd4 Rd4
 25. Ke2 Re8 26. Kd2 Bd6 27.
 Qg6 White resigns.

Goode (1908) - Brookshear
 (2054) 1. c4 Nf6 2. Nc3 g6 3.
 g3 Bg7 4. Bg2 0-0 5. e4 d6 6.
 Nge2 c5 7. 0-0 Nc6 8. d3 Ne8
 9. a3 Nc7 10. Rbl f5 11. b4
 Nd4 12. Nd4 cd4 13. Nd5 fe4
 14. Be4 e6 15. Bg5 Qd7 16. Ne7
 Kh8 17. Qg4 Bf6 18. Ng6!! hg6
 19. Qh4+ Qh7 20. Bf6+ Kg8 21.
 Qh7 Kh7 22. Be7 Black resigns.

Cope (2118) - Bisguier (2499)
 1. d4 Nf6 2. Bg5 d5 3. e3 Bf5
 4. Bd3 Bd3 5. Qd3 Nbd7 6. c4
 h6 7. Bh4 e6 8. Nc3 Be7 9. f4
 c5 10. Nf3 cd4 11. Qd4 Bc5 12.
 Qd2 dc4 13. e4 Qa5 14. h3 Bb4
 15. 0-0-0 Nc5 16. Bf6 Nd3+ 17.
 Kbl gf6 18. Nel Bc3 19. bc3
 0-0-0 20. Qc2 Nf4 21. g3 Rdl
 22. Qd1 Rd8 23. Qf3 Rd2 24.
 Nc2 Nd3 25. Qf6 Rc2! 26. Kc2
 Qa2+ 27. Kd1 Qbl+ White re-
 signs.

S. Strain (1615) - C. Miller
 (1789) 1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3.
 Nc3 Bb4 4. Nge2 de4 5. a3
 Bc3 6. Nc3 h6 7. Ne4 Nf6 8.
 Bd3 Nbd7 9. Bf4 b6 10. Qf3
 Rb8 11. 0-0-0 Bb7 12. Rhei1
 0-0 13. Nf6 Nf6 14. Qg3 Nh5
 15. Bc7 Ng3 16. Bd8 Rfd8 17.
 hg3 Bg2 18. c4 Rbc8 19. b4
 a6 20. Be2 Be4 21. c5 Bd5 22.
 Bd3 Bb3 23. Bc2 Bd5 24. Kb2
 bc5 25. dc5 Rc7 26. Be4 Rc6
 27. Bd5 ed5 28. Re5 Re6 29.
 Red5 Rd5 30. Rd5 Re2 31. Kc3
 Rf2 32. c6 Rf6 33. c7 Rc6
 24. Rc5 Rc7 35. Rc7 Black re-
 signs.

Bisguier (2499) - Boyd (1961)
 1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. Nc3 Nf6
 4. Bg5 Be7 5. e5 Nfd7 6. Be7
 Qe7 7. f4 a6 8. Nf3 c5 9. dc5
 Qc5 10. Bd3 Nc6 11. Qd2 b5
 12. Qf2 Bb7 13. Qc5 Nc5 14.
 0-0-0 Nd3+ 15. cd3 b4 16. Na4
 a5 17. Nc5 Ba6 18. Kd2 Bb5 19.
 Nb7 0-0 20. Nd6 Na7 21. Rcl
 Be8 22. Nd4 Rb8 23. Rc5 a4
 24. Rhcl b3 25. ab3 ab3 26.
 Ral Rb4 27. Kc3 Ra4 28. Ra4
 Ba4 29. Ra5 Nc6 30. Ra4 Nd4
 31. Rd4 f6 32. Kb3 fe5 33.
 fe5 h6 34. Kc3 Kh7 35. b4 Rf1
 36. b5 Rcl 37. Kb2 Rel 38. b6
 Re5 39. b7 Re2 40. Kc3 Black
 resigns.

Timberlake (2230) - Baker
 (2350) 1. Nf3 Nf6 2. d4 g6 3.
 c4 Bg7 4. Nc3 0-0 5. e4 d6 6.
 Be3 Bg4 7. Be2 Nfd7 8. Qd2 e5
 9. Bg5 f6 10. Be3 Nc6 11. d5
 Ne7 12. Ng5! Be2 13. Ne6 Qc8
 14. Qe2 Rf7 15. Nb5 Nc5 16.
 Bc5 dc5 17. Nbc7 Rb8 18. Nb5
 Rf8 19. Nf8 Bf8 20. Na7 Qd7
 21. 0-0 Nc8 22. Nc8 Rc8 23.
 h3 Bd6 24. Qg4 Qg4 25. hg4 b6
 26. Rfd1 Ra8 27. Rd3 Ra4 28.
 Rc3 Kf7 29. a3 h6 30. Racl
 Ke8 31. Rb3 Ra6 32. Rh3 Bf8
 33. Rcc3 Ra4 34. Kf1 Kd7 35.
 Rhf3 Be7 36. Ke2 b5 37. Kd3
 b4 38. Rb3 Kd6 39. Rh3 Bf8 40.
 Rhi g5 41. Rcl ba3 42. Ra3
 Rb4 43. Ra6 Ke7 44. Kc3 Kf7
 45. Rcal Rb8 46. Rla5 Rd8 47.
 Rb5 Rd7 48. Rbb6 Be7 49. Rc6
 Black resigns.

Kogan (2558) - Minor (2072)
 1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. g3 d5
 4. Bg2 Be7 5. Nf3 b6 6. 0-0
 Bb7 7. Ne5 c6 8. Nc3 Nbd7 9.
 e4 de4 10. Ne4 Ne4 11. Be4
 Ne5 12. de5 Qd1 13. Rdl Rd8
 14. Be3 0-0 15. Rdc1 Rd7 16.
 c5 b5 17. a4 a6 18. ab5 ab5
 19. Ra7 Rfd8 20. Kg2 h6 21.
 h4 Kf8 22. Rcal Rc8 23. Rla6
 Bd8 24. Bc6 Bc6 25. Rc6 Rc6
 26. Rd7 Bc7 27. f4 Ke8 28.
 Rd3 Ba5 29. Ra3 Bel 30. Ra8+
 Ke7 31. Ra7+ Ke8 32. Rb7 b4
 33. Ra7 Bc3? 34. bc3 bc3 35.
 Ra3 c2 36. Rc3 Kd7 37. Rc2
 Ra6 38. Rb2 Ra3 39. Kf2 and
 White soon won.

TN OPEN

Paul Linxwiler - Kent Meadows
 1. e4 e5 2. f4 ef4 3. Nf3 d6
 4. Bc4 h6 5. h4 Nc6 6. d4 Nf6
 7. Nc3 Nh5 8. Nd5 g5 9. Qd3
 Bg7 10. c3 Ng3 11. Rh2 f5 12.
 e5 de5 13. de5 Ne5 14. Ne5
 Be5 15. hg5 hg5 16. Rh8+ Bh8
 17. Bd2 c6 18. Nb4 Qe7+ 19.
 Kd1 Be6 20. Be6 Qe6 21. Nc2
 Rd8 22. Nd4 Qe4 23. Qc4 Qd5
 24. Qa4 Bd4 White resigns.

Choatie - Jordan
 1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 c5 3. d5 b5
 4. cb5 a6 5. ba6 Ba6 6. g3
 d6 7. Bg2 g6 8. Nf3 Bg7 9.
 0-0 Nbd7 10. Nc3 0-0 11. Rel
 12. e4 Ng4 13. Bf4 Rfb8 14.
 Qd2 Nde5 15. Ne5 Ne5 16. Be5
 Be5 17. f4 Bd4+ 18. Khl Qa5
 19. e5 Rb2! 20. Qb2 Bc3 21.
 Qf2 Bel 22. Rel Bc4 23. ed6
 ed6 24. Ral Qc3 25. Qel Qel
 26. Rel Ra2 27. Kg1 Rd2 28.
 Re8 Kg7 29. Rd8 Bd5 White
 resigns.

FAIRFIELD GLADE OPEN

Stuart Rachels, youngest master in U. S. chess history, scored his most impressive result yet by winning first place outright in the 6th Annual Fairfield Glade Open held on November 6-7, 1982 at Fairfield Glade Resort near Crossville, Tennessee.

Stuart took home \$500.00 and the first place trophy by scoring 4½ points to lead the 44-player Open Section. Stuart scored impressive wins over David Timberlake (2252) and Paul Kuroda (2437) and finished with a draw with IM Mark Diesen (2487) to win the championship.

Coming in second with scores of 4-1 were Mark Diesen, Paul Kuroda and Dana Therrell. Brian McCarthy of Hermitage and Maurice Dana of Chapel Hill, NC tied for top Candidate Master, also with a score of 4-1. Third place in the CM category went to Albert Wright and Randy Cope of Memphis. Robert Holyfield of Asheville, NC took top honors in Category I with a score of 3½-1½ while second place went to Ron Burnett of Eagleville, Grizzle of Greenville, TX, Ronnie Lester of Pine Knot, KY, Alan Yeomans of Bowling Green, KY, and Jim Rachels of Birmingham, AL.

In the 44-player Amateur Section, Glenn Etter, a Baylor student from Signal Mountain swept through with a perfect 5-0 score to take home \$200.00 and the first place trophy. Second place was shared by Mike Barton of Memphis, Chris Chambers of Concord, John Burnett of Eagleville, and Layne Shaw of Crossville.

Kenneth McElhaney of Louisburg took top honors in Category III with Jay Wellman of Memphis, David Larson of Cookeville, and Matthew Nelson of Berea, KY tying for second.

Tom Buhrman, also a Baylor student won the 46-player Novice Section with a score of 4½-½. Finishing second were Sherin Hua of Hixson, Rodney Jones of Scottsboro, AL and Steve Chambers of Concord. Allen Gullet of Cookeville, Clifford Pugh of Monterey and Doug Hall of Crossville all tied for first in Category V. Patti Choat of Nashville took top honors in Category VI and Deric Davenport of Fayetteville, AR was top unrated.

The tournament was directed by Harry Sabine, assisted by John White and Chris Loyless.

NASHVILLE CANDIDATES

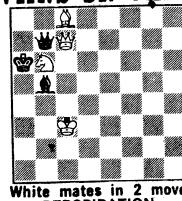
SECTION A

		1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Johnson Moore	2053	X	1	1	0	3½
2.	Tom Farr	1863	0	X	½	1	1
3.	Ronald Burnett	1983	0	½	X	1	1
4.	Lee Edwards	1478	1	0	0	X	½
5.	Jeff Bolstad	1636	½	0	0	0	X
6.	Eric Olson	1380	0	0	0	½	0

SECTION B

		1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Tony Estes	1928	X	1	1	1	1
2.	Joe C. Jones	2063	0	X	1	1	1
3.	Peter Ciarleglio	1749	0	0	X	1	1
4.	John E. Caldwell	1594	0	0	0	X	1F
5.	Patrick Moore	UNR	0	0	0	OF	X
6.	Joe Rand	1488	0	0	0	0	X

EVANS ON CHESS



White mates in 2 moves

PERSPIRATION

Few fans realize the immense amount of homework that goes into top-level competition. Often masters spend more time preparing for an opponent than the actual encounter lasts.

British journalist Leonard Barden observed: "The most promising way to catch your opponent in the opening is not, as you might think, to aim for lines where he has done badly in earlier games. The odds are that a strong player will have reviewed his previous failure and will have a counter-novelty ready to spring on you. It is better to look at games he has won where the loser's play can be substantially improved. Few people do much critical homework on their wins, many will repeat their successful strategy and be ill-prepared for a surprise."

American grandmaster Larry Christiansen used this strategy in preparing for New Zealand's only grandmaster ever, Murry Chandler, at Wijk aan Zee, Holland. In round one Chandler upset former world champ Mikhail Tal with this identical defense for the first 15 moves.

For some inexplicable reason Tal improvised a weird gambit by 16 Qe2? Bxd4 17 Nxd4 Rxd4 18 Bf4 Rxd1+ 19 Qxd1 e5 and Black went on to win in 76 moves by virtue of his extra pawn. Two rounds later Chandler dared to repeat this variation against Christiansen, who was obviously prepared. Larry simply reinforced the pawn which Tal squandered and in a few moves achieved a bind by advancing his kingside pawns.

Chandler was condemned to passive defense but could still put up a fight by 31... Ne7 instead of weakening himself by 31... a5? Perhaps he was hoping for 32 Bxa5 Qa4+ 33 Kc1 Qxa5 34 Qxe6+ Ne7 but Christiansen calmly increased the pressure and planted his Knight at e6.

White: CHRISTIANSEN Black: CHANDLER
Caro-Kann Defense 1982

1 e4	c6	20 dxc5	Bxc5
2 d4	d5	21 f4	Ng8
3 Nd2	dxe4	22 Kb1	f6
4 Nxe4	b5	23 Ng6	Qb6
5 Ng3	Bb6	24 Rxh8+	Rxd8
6 h4	h6	25 Rd1	Rxd1+
7 Nf3	Md7	26 Qxd1	Kc8
8 h5	Bh7	27 Qe2	Kd7
9 Bd3	Bxd3	28 g4	Ke8
10 Oxd3	Oc7	29 Qe4	Qd8
11 Bd2	e6	30 Kc2	Qd7
12 Ne4	Nf6	31 a3	a5?
13 g3	O-O	32 f5	e5
14 O-O-O	Nc5	33 Nf4	a4
15 Nxc5	Bxc5	34 Ne6	Bf8
16 c4!	Rhe8	35 Ba5	Ne7
17 Bc3	Kb8	36 Bb4	Kf7
18 Qe2	Bf8	37 Qd3	Qc8
19 Ne5	c5	38 Qd6	Resigns

Speckmann, West Germany.

SOLUTION: 1. Qd5! 2. Nf4 mate. W.

Qb6, Qc8, Qd5!, West Germany.

mate. W.

Specmann, West Germany.

TENNESSEE'S TOP TEN PLAYERS

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1. Curt Jones	Nashville	2292
2. Michael Carey	Nashville	2198
3. Paul Harless	Nashville	2181
4. Albert Wright	Memphis	2168
5. Kenny Thomas	Memphis	2144
6. Brian McCarthy	Hermitage	2142
7. Leonard Dickerson	Knoxville	2139
8. Emanuel Tsitsekis	Knoxville	2120
9. Mahlon Smith	Memphis	2098
9. Robert Ilderton	Memphis	2098

TENNESSEE'S TOP TEN WOMEN PLAYERS

1. Sofi Zhislin	Nashville	1755
2. Joy Wellman	Memphis	1543
3. Nancy Weaver	Crossville	1350
4. Camilla West	Nashville	1325/6
5. Janet Schwartz	Memphis	1323
6. April Bean	Knoxville	1299/11
7. Susie Smathers	Crossville	1297
8. Sheryl Lazarov	Memphis	1243/6
9. Amy Knightly	Knoxville	1222/17
10. Penny McGill	Maryville	1183/12

TENNESSEE'S TOP TEN HIGH SCHOOL PLAYERS (Grades 10-12)

1. Ronald Burnett (10)	Eagleville	1992
2. Barry D. Goode (12)	ECS	1852
3. Terry Burdett (12)	Cumberland County	1835
4. Bradley Watson (11)	Webb	1805
5. Chris Chambers (11)	Baylor	1779
6. Robert G. Etter (11)	Baylor	1753
7. Cory Long (11)	Farragut	1725
8. George Yu (11)	CBHS	1677
9. Steve Strain (12)	CBHS	1674
10. Matt Dolloff (11)	MBA	1666

TENNESSEE'S TOP TEN JUNIOR HIGH PLAYERS (Grades 7-9)

1. Chuck Lovingood (9)	Martin	1865
2. Tony McGill (9)	Maryville	1641
3. Chris Loyless (8)	Martin	1637
4. George Wallace (9)	Martin	1619
5. Todd Etter (9)	Baylor	1600/12
6. Jeremy Hassler (7)	Martin	1599
7. Mike Mitchell (9)	Martin	1585
8. Jack Grossl (7)	So. Cumberland	1486
8. Jay Sabine (7)	Martin	1486
8. Andy Chambers (7)	Farragut	1486/19

TENNESSEE'S TOP TEN ELEMENTARY PLAYERS (Grades 4-6)

1. Ted Mason (5)	Auburndale	1528
2. Gus Lipman (6)	Lusanne	1497
3. Robert Virden (6)	Auburndale	1424/9
4. Ronnie Baylosis (6)	Martin	1416
5. Shane Day (5)	Homestead	1388
6. Jim Grossl (6)	So. Cumberland	1382
7. Brian White (6)	FACS	1376
8. Chris Lax (4)	Homestead	1368
9. Neal Loskovitz (6)	Auburndale	1364
10. Chris Arfken (5)	Thrasher	1352
10. Ian Wright (4)	Capshaw	1352
10. Mike Lynch (4)	Capshaw	1352/12

TENNESSEE'S TOP TEN PRIMARY PLAYERS (Grades 3 & Below)

1. Charles Smith (3)	Franklin Rd Christian	1382/18
2. Shuh Fujii (3)	Bradley Model	1258/4
3. Oliver Tai (2)	Auburndale	1236/7
4. Randall Breeding (3)	Homestead	1234
5. Roger Breeding (3)	Homestead	1203
6. Jonathan Smith (1)	Franklin Rd Christian	1149
7. Chuck Hamlett (3)	Auburndale	1124/6
8. Will Litchford (2)	Crossville	1080
9. Mark Burdick (3)	Parkview	1077
10. Jason White (2)	Homestead	1054

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OPEN BRILLIANTY PRIZE! TN OPEN

Dickerson (2072) - Jones,
Curt (2311)

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| 1. c4 | Nf6 |
| 2. Nc3 | c5 |
| 3. g3 | d5 |
| 4. cd5 | Nd5 |
| 5. Bg2 | Nc7 |
| 6. Nf3 | Nc6 |
| 7. d3 | e5 |
| 8. Bg5 | f6 |
| 9. Bd2 | Be7 |
| 10. 0-0 | Be6 |
| 11. a3 | 0-0 |
| 12. Rcl | ... |

White is planning action against the c-pawn and on h1-a8 diagonal.

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| 12. ... | Qd7 |
| 13. Rel | Rfd8 |
| 14. Qa4?! | Rac8 |
| 15. Ne4? | c4! |

Black is threatening the win of the Bishop on d2 and in some variations, the Queen!

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| 16. Be3 | cd3 |
| 17. ed3 | Qd3 |
| 18. Nc5 | ... |

This stops 18. ...Bb3, winning the Queen.

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| 18. ... | Bc5 |
| 19. Bc5 | Qg6?! |
| 20. Nh4 | Qe8? |

20. ...Qh6 is interesting as 21. Bc6 would be bad for White.

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| 21. f4! | Nd5 |
| 22. fe5 | b6 |

If 22. ...fe5, then 23. Rf1 with counterplay. Still...

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| 23. Bd6 | Ne5 |
| 24. Rc8! | ... |

Saving a valuable tempo, White sets a pin and prevents Rcl or c2.

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| 24. ... | Rc8 |
| 25. Qe8+ | Re8 |
| 26. Be5 | fe5 |
| 27. Re5 | Nc7 |
| 28. Nf5 | Rd8 |
| 29. Ne7+ | Kf7 |
| 30. Nc6 | Rd2 |
| 31. b4 | ... |
31. Na7 puts the Knight in some jeopardy.

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| 31. ... | a6 |
| 32. Rel | ... |

Setting a trap.

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| 32. ... | Ra2?? |
| 33. Nd8+ | Kf6 |
| 34. Ne6 | Ne6 |
| 35. Bd5 | resigns |

1982 TENN. OPEN NOVICE BRILLIANTY

RON SCOBAY - Beasly

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| 1. d4 | e6 |
| 2. e4 | d5 |
| 3. e5 | c5 |
| 4. c3 | Nd7 |
| 5. Nf3 | cd4 |
| 6. cd4 | Bb4+ |
| 7. Bd2 | Bd2+ |
| 8. Nbd2 | f6 |
| 9. Bb5 | fe5 |
| 10. Ne5 | Ne7 |
| 11. Qf3 | Nf5 |
| 12. g4 | Ng6 |
| 13. g5 | Qf8 |
| 14. Qh5+ | g6 |
| 15. Qh7 | Qg5 |
| 16. Bd7+ | Kd8 |
| 17. Bc8 | Qe7 |
| 18. Qe7 | Ke7 |
| 19. Ng6+ | Black resigns. |

1982 TENN. OPEN AMATEUR BRILLIANTY

Chris Chambers - Bill Melvin

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| 1. e4 | e5 |
| 2. Nf3 | Nc6 |
| 3. Bb5 | a6 |
| 4. Ba4 | Nf6 |
| 5. 0-0 | b5 |
| 6. Bb3 | Be7 |
| 7. Rel | 0-0 |
| 8. c3 | Bb7 |
| 9. d4 | d6 |
| 10. Nbd | Re8 |
| 11. Bf7+ | Kf7 |
| 12. Qb3+ | Kf8 |
| 13. Ng5 | d5 |
| 14. Ne6+ | Kg8 |
| 15. Nd8 | Rad8 |
| 16. ed5 | Rd5 |
| 17. de | Bc5 |
| 18. Nf3 | Ne5 |
| 19. Ne5 | Kf8 |
| 20. Be3 | R5e5 |
| 21. Bc5+ | Rc5 |
| 22. Re8+ | Ne8 |
| 23. Qb4 | Black resigns. |

1982 JACKSON WINTER KNIGHTS

Mahlon Smith - Stuart Rachels

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| 1. b4 | d5 |
| 2. Nf3 | Nf6 |
| 3. e3 | Bg4 |
| 4. Bb2 | e6 |
| 5. b5 | Be7 |
| 6. Be2 | 0-0 |
| 7. 0-0 | Nbd7 |
| 8. d4 | c5 |
| 9. bc6 | bc6 |
| 10. Nbd2 | Rb8 |
| 11. Qc1 | Ne4! |
| 12. Rel | f5! |
| 13. c4 | Bd6 |
| 14. Ba3 | Qc7 |
| 15. Bd6 | Qd6 |
| 16. c5 | Qc7 |
| 17. Qa3 | Bf3 |
| 18. Nf3 | Ndf6 |
| 19. Rac1 | Ng4! |
| 20. h3 | Qg5 |
| 21. Ne5 | Qe7!! |
| 22. Bf3 | Qg5 |
| 23. Be4 | Nh3 |
| 24. Kh2 | fe4 |
| 25. Kh3 | Rf6 |
| 26. g3 | Rf2 |
| 27. f4 | Qh6 |
| White resigns. | |

1982 MEMPHIS - NASHVILLE MATCH

Ron Minor - Tony Estes

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| 1. e4 | g6 |
| 2. d4 | Bg7 |
| 3. Nc3 | d6 |
| 4. Be3 | c6 |
| 5. f3 | Qc7 |
| 6. Qd2 | b5 |
| 7. Bd3 | Nd7 |
| 8. Nh3 | a6 |
| 9. Nf2 | e5 |
| 10. de5 | de5 |
| 11. Rdl | Nb6 |
| 12. 0-0 | b4 |
| 13. Nb1 | a5 |
| 14. a3 | ba3 |
| 15. Na3 | Be6 |
| 16. Bb6 | Qb6 |
| 17. Bc4 | Rd8? |
| 18. Qd8! | Qd8 |
| 19. Rd8 | Kd8 |
| 20. Be6 | fe6 |
| 21. Nc4 | Kc7 |
| 22. Ra1 | Ne7 |
| 23. Ra5 | Rb8 |
| 24. Nd3 | Nc8 |
| 25. Nc5! | Black resigns. |

Battle Fatigue

ARKANSAS OPEN

D. Gray 2112 - D. Timberlake
2216

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| 1. e4 | c5 |
| 2. Nf3 | d6 |
| 3. d4 | cd4 |
| 4. Nd4 | Nf6 |
| 5. Nc3 | Nbd7 |
| 6. Bc4 | Nb6 |
| 7. Bb3 | e5 |
| 8. Nde2 | Be7 |

ECO gives 8...Be6 here followed by 9...Be7.

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| 9. Be3 | Be6 |
| 10. f3 | 0-0 |
| 11. Qd2 | Rc8 |
| 12. g4 | Nc4 |
| 13. Bc4 | Bc4 |
| 14. g5 | Nh5!? |

This knight move gives White too much play.

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| 15. Ng3! | Nf4 |
| 16. Bf4 | ef4 |
| 17. Nf5 | Bg5 |
| 18. 0-0-0 | Be6 |
| 19. Nd6 | Rc7 |
| 20. Qg2! | ... |

White has many threats.

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| 20. ... | Rc3!? |
| 21. bc3 | Qa5 |
| 22. Rd3 | Bf6 |
| 23. Kd2 | Bc3+! |
| 24. Ke2 | Bf6 |
| 25. Rhd1 | Qa2 |
| 26. Kf1 | Qa5? |
| 27. Nb7 | Qh5 |
| 28. Kgl | Bh3 |
| 29. Qe2 | h6 |
| 30. Rd5 | Qg6+ |
| 31. Kh1 | Bc8 |
| 32. Nc5 | Be7 |
| 33. Nd7 | Ba6!? |
| 34. Nf8 | Be2 |
| 35. Ng6 | Bf3+ |
| 36. Kgl | fg6 |

Now, it's rooks vs. bishops.

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| 37. Rld4 | g5 |
| 38. Kf2?! | ... |

Time pressure. 38. c4 would be a lot better.

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| 38. ... | g4 |
| 39. c4 | Bh4+ |
| 40. Kgl | Be2 |
| 41. Rf5! | f3 |
| 42. c5 | Bel |
| 43. c6 | g6 |
| 44. Rf6 | Kg7 |
| 45. Rf4 | Ba6 |
| 46. Rd7 | resigns |

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Please advise me of any changes, additions, or corrections to the following lists. Plan your '83 tournaments now and advise me of the dates if you have not already. I will be mailing an updated list at the first of the new year to regional organizers. The following tournaments were cleared through Tournament Clearing House #370-385 except for Memphis' March 26-27 Bluff City Open, which had been previously planned for March 5-6. Additions must be sent to:

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Readers are encouraged to send in their suggestions for making tournaments more affordable and attractive for all chess players in order to combat the current low interest and support.

JAN 22 ANDERSON COUNTY OPEN:
Clinton-Oak Ridge

JAN 29-30 NASHVILLE AMAT. &
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JAN 29-30 NASHVILLE AMATEUR:
5ss, TL 50/2, One International Plaza, Nashville, TN 37217. Open to under 1800. EF: \$15 if rec'd by 1/24; \$20 at site. TCA dues \$4. \$\$ (240 based on 30): 75-50-30; Cat. III, IV each \$30, Cat. V/below/Unr. \$25. Reg.: 8-9A.M. RDS: 9:30-2-7, 9-2. ENT: Music City Chess Assn., 2609 Sailboat Ct., Nashville, TN 37217. No smoking.

FEB 5 MBA SCHOLASTICS: date tentative (Nashville)

FEB 12 CUMBERLAND COUNTY WINTER OPEN: 4ss, TL 40/1, Martin Junior High School, Stanley St., Crossville, TN 38555. EF: \$6. TCA \$4. \$250 based on 45 players. 1st 75 - guaranteed. Category I thru V - \$30 each. Unrated \$10. Category VI \$15. Optional trophies available. RG: 7:30-8:30. RDS: 9-11:30-2:30-5:30 CST.

FEB 26-27 TENN. STATE SCHOL. In 5 sections: High School open to grades 12 and below. EF \$8 if rec'd by 2-21. 5ss TL 40/90. RDS: 10-2-7; 8-1. 1st- trophy and \$100 expenses to regional HS. Trophies to 2nd thru 10th; top Cat. I, II, III, IV&below, and Unr. 1st team-trophy and \$100 expenses to regional HS. Trophies to 2nd thru 5th teams. High School Novice open to grades 12 and below rated under 1400. EF \$7 if rec'd by 2-21; 5ss, TL 40/90. RDS: same as above. Trophies to top ten, top 5 teams, top Cat. V, VI, and Uhr. Junior High: open to grades 9 and below. EF \$6 if rec'd by 2-21. 6ss, TL 40/1, RDS 10-1-4-7; 8-1. Trophies to top ten, Cat. III, IV, V& below, and Unr. 1st team - trophy and \$100 expenses to regional JH.

Trophies to 2nd thru 5th teams. Elementary: open to grades 6 and below. EF \$5 if rec'd by 2-21. TL 40/1. Trophies to top ten, Cat. III thru VI, and Unr. 1st team - trophy & \$100 expenses to regional Elem. Trophies to 2nd thru 5th teams. Primary: open to grades 3 and below; EF \$4 if rec'd by 2-21. 5ss, rounds Saturday only. RDS: 10-12-2-4-7. TL: 30/30. Trophies to top 10, top 5 teams, top Cat. VI and top UNR. ALL: EF \$5 more at site. RG: 7-8:30 AM- 2-26. Teams must have at least 4 from the same school. The top 4 scores will be added for the team score. Members of the same team will not be paired against each other. No school may win more than one team trophy per section. INFO and ENTRIES: to Harry Sabine, P.O. Box 381, Crossville, TN 38555. (615) 484-9593 or 484-4878.

Mar 19-20 MUSIC CITY WINTER:
Nashville

MAR 26-27 BLUFF CITY OPEN:
Memphis

APR 9 CUMBERLAND COUNTY SPRING OPEN: 4ss, 40/1, Martin Junior High School, Stanley St., Crossville, TN 38555. EF: \$6. TCA \$4. \$\$ (250 based on 45 players) 1st \$75 (guaranteed); Cat. I thru V \$30 each; Cat. VI \$15; Unrated \$10. Optional trophies available. REG: 7:30-8:30. RDS: 9-11:30-2:30-5:30. ENT: Harry Sabine, P.O. Box 381, Crossville, TN 38555.

APR 16 CHOO CHOO TOWN TORNADO I: (date tentative)
Chattanooga.

APR 31 - May 1 NATIONAL ELEMENTARY: Memphis

MAY 7-8 TENN. VALLEY OPEN:
(date tentative)
Murfreesboro.

MAY 14 COOKEVILLE SPRING OPEN

MAY 21-22 MUSIC CITY SPRING OPEN: Nashville

MAY 28-29 MEMPHIS IN MAY OPEN

JUN 4 CUMBERLAND COUNTY SUMMER: Crossville.

JUN 9 CHOO CHOO TOWN TORNADO II: (date tentative)
Chattanooga.

JUL 23-24 MUSIC CITY GRAND PRIX: Nashville.

AUG 13 COOKEVILLE SUMMER OPEN

AUG 13-14 KING COTTON OPEN:
Memphis.

SEP 3-5 TENN. OPEN: Nashville

SEP 17 CHOO CHOO TOWN TORNADO III: (date tentative)
Chattanooga.

SEP 24 CUMBERLAND COUNTY FALL Crossville.

OCT 15 COOKEVILLE FALL OPEN.

NOV 5-6 FAIRFIELD GLADE OPEN Crossville.

NOV 25-26 MID-SOUTH OPEN:
Memphis

DEC 3-4 CROSSVILLE SCHOLASTICS: Crossville.

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| 19. ... | Re5 |
| 20. Nf5 | ... |
| If 20. Nf3 Rh5 wins. | |
| 20. ... | Rf5! |
| 21. ef5 | f3 |
| 22. Qf3 | Qf3 |
| 23. d4 | Re8 |
| 24. Rel | Qg4 |
| 25. Khl | Qh3 |
| 26. Kgl | Qh2 |
| 27. Kfl | Qh1 mate. |

MUSIC CITY FALL

Brian McCarthy took clear first in the Music City Fall by winning four and drawing only one game to runner-up Ronald Burnett. Burnett and Tony Estes tied for second with four points.

The Tournament was not without its usual surprises. Benny Prince of Knoxville playing in his first tournament, won 3 games to tie for 6th place and win the Unrated prize. On the other hand Candidate Masters Joe Jones and Jerry Wheeler were able to score only fifty percent.

The attendance was disappointing with 20 players. It was directed by Kent Meadows for the Music City Chess Association.

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