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CANDIDATES' MATCHES RESULTS

Soviets Win in World Championship Semifinals

Players from the Soviet Union have won both of the semifinal Candidates' Matches, ensuring that the next world chess champion will come from that country. In the matches, held recently in London, England, Soviet Gary Kasparov defeated perennial world championship contender Viktor Korchnoi of Switzerland by a score of 7-4, and former world champion Vasily Smyslov of the Soviet Union eliminated Hungary's Zoltan Ribli by a 6.5-4.5 score. Each match was awarded to the first player to score 6.5 points.

Kasparov and Smyslov will now play a match, slated to begin in February, for the right to challenge current world champion Anatoly Karpov of

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the Soviet Union. Karpov has been the champion since Bobby Fischer of the United States declined to defend his title in 1975.

The Kasparov-Korchnoi match attracted worldwide attention. Kasparov, at 20 the world's highest-rated player according to the World Chess Federation, has been long pegged as a future champion, while Korchnoi, 52, is viewed as an enemy by the Soviet Union because of his 1976 defection from that country.

Korchnoi scored a victory in the first game, but Kasparov dominated the latter part of the match, taking a comfortable lead by winning games six, seven, and nine. He ended the match December 16 by defeating Korchnoi in the eleventh game.

While youth triumphed in the Korchnoi-Karpov match, the seemingly ageless Smyslov continued to be the surprise of the Candidates' Matches. Having stopped West German Robert Huebner in the quarterfinals (by a roulette wheel's spin after the match ended in a draw), Smyslov, 62, who won the world championship in 1957, scored victories in the first, fifth, and seventh games. Ribli, 32, could muster a win only in game two; a draw in the eleventh game on December 17 clinched the match for Smyslov.

Kasparov
Eleventh Match Game
Catalan

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. g3 c5
4. d5 e x d5 5. c x d5 b5 6.
Bg2 d6 7. b4 Na6 8. b x c5
N x c5 9. Nf3 g6 10. 0-0 Bg7
11. Nd4 0-0 12. Nc3 a6 13.
Nc6 Qc7 14. Be3 Bb7 15. Bd4
Rfe8 16. a4 b x a4 17. B x c5
d x c5 18. Q x a4 Nd7 19. Qb3
B x c6 20. d x c6 Nb6 21. Rab1
Rab8 22. Qa3 c4 23. Rfc1 B x
c3 24. Q x c3 R x e2 25. Qd4
a5 26. Rb5 a4 27. Bf3 Ree8
28. Qc5 Qe7 29. c7 Q x c5 30.
R x c5 Rbc8 31. Bb7 Nd7 32.
R5 x c4 Black resigns

Smyslov
Seventh Match Game
Semi-Tarrasch

Ribli

1. d4 Nf6 2. Nf3 e6 3. c4
d5 4. Nc3 c5 5. c x d5 N x
d5 6. e3 Nc6 7. Bd3 Be7 8.
0-0 0-0 9. a3 c x d4 10. e
x d4 Bf6 11. Be4 Nce7 12.
Ne5 g6 13. Bh6 Bg7 14. B x
g7 K x g7 15. Rc1 b6 16. N
x d5 N x d5 17. B x d5 Q x
d5 18. Rc7 Bb7 19. Qg4 Rad8
20. Rd1 a5 21. h4 Rc8 22.
Rd7 Qe4 23. Qe5 Bc6 24. f3
Qf5 25. Ra7 Ba4 26. Re1 Rc2
27. b4 Bb3 28. b x a5 b x a5
29. Re4 h6 30. Qe3 Rb2 31.
Rg4 g5 32. h x g5 h5 33.
Rg3 h4 34. Rg4 h3 35. g6
h2+ 36. K x h2 Rh8+ 37. Kg3
R x g2+ 38. K x g2 Qc2+ 39.
Qf2 Rh2+ 40. K x h2 Q x f2+
41. Kh3 Qf1+ 42. Rg2 Black
resigns

--USCF Press Release 79

Levitina, Semenova Advance Toward Women's World Championship

Two of the Soviet Union's top female chessplayers, Irina Levitina and Lydia Semenova, have qualified for the finals of the Women's Candidates' Matches. The two Woman Grandmasters were victorious in the semi-final matches, both of which began in November in the Soviet Union. They will now meet in a match to determine who will challenge Women's World Champion Maya Chiburdanidze, a 23-year-old Soviet, for her title.

Both of the semifinal matches were spectacular, featuring wide-open play and seesawing leads. In Dubna, U.S.S.R., Levitina defeated Nana Alexandria, a Soviet who failed to grab the world title from Chiburdanidze in the 1981 championship match. The best-of-ten semifinal ended in a 5-5 tie, with Levitina winning the first, eighth, and tenth games to survive Alexandria's sixth, seventh, and ninth game victory rally. This necessitated a playoff match; Levitina amassed wins in the second and fourth games and a draw in the third to take the best-of-four series 2.5-1.5.

The other match, held in Sochi, U.S.S.R., was a ferocious battle with numerous lead changes. Nana Ioseliani, also a Soviet, won games one and three, but these were offset by Semenova's victories in games two and four. Semenova then gained her first lead by taking game five, but Ioseliani immediately notched consecutive victories in the next two games to forge a perilous 4-3 advantage. Semenova was equal to the task, however; after winning the eighth game to tie the match, she held Ioseliani to a draw in game nine and scored a clutch win in the decisive tenth game to earn a trip to the finals.

Alexandria Levitina
 First Match Game
 Bogo-Indian Defense

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. Nf3
 Bb4+ 4. Bd2 Qe7 5. g3 Nc6
 6. Nc3 d5 7. c x d5 e x d5
 8. Bg2 0-0 9. 0-0 a5 10.
 Qc2 Bg4 11. e3 Qd7 12. Rfc1
 Rfe8 13. a3 B x c3 14. B x
 c3 a4 15. Be1 Bf5 16. Qc5
 Ne4 17. Qb5 Ra6 18. Bb4 Bg4
 19. Rc2 Rd8 20. Ne1 N x b4
 21. Q x b4 Rb6 22. Qa5 Nd6
 23. Q x d5 Rb5 24. Qa2 Be6
 25. d5 Bf5 26. Rd2 Rb3 27.
 Bf1 Ne4 28. Rd4 Qe8 29. Bd3
 c5 30. d x c6 R x d4 31. e x
 d4 Q x c6 32. Qb1 Nd2 33.
 Qd1 R x d3 34. N x d3 Nf3+
 35. Kf1 Bh3+ 36. Ke2 N x d4+
 37. Kd2 Nb3+ 38. Ke1 Qe4+
 39. Qe2 Q x e2+ 40. K x e2
 N x a1 41. Nc5 b5 White re-
 signs

Semenova Ioseliani
 Second Match Game
 Sicilian

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 c
 x d4 4. N x d4 Nf6 5. Nc3
 a6 6. Bg5 e6 7. f4 Be7 8.
 Qf3 Qc7 9. 0-0-0 Nbd7 10.
 g4 b5 11. a3 Rb8 12. Bh4
 Nc5 13. Rg1 b4 14. a x b4
 R x b4 15. g5 Nfd7 16. Be1
 Qb6 17. Nd5 e x d5 18. B x
 b4 Q x b4 19. e x d5 Bb7 20.
 Qe2 Nb6 21. c4 Kd8 22. Rg3
 Re8 23. Re3 Qa4 24. Re1 B
 x d5 25. R x e7 Qa1+ 26. Kc2
 Qa4+ 27. b3 Qa2+ 28. Kc3
 Ne4+ 29. Kb4 a5+ 30. Kb5
 Qa3 31. R x e8+ Kc7 32. Re7+
 Nd7 33. R x d7+ K x d7 34.
 Ka6 Qb4 35. Nb5 Bc6 36. Qe3
 Kc8 37. Bh3+ Black resigns

SAMSA WINS HIS SEVENTH INVITATIONAL

Greg Samsa, coming off a disappointing performance in the North Carolina Championship, led a strong field of players in posting his seventh victory in the North Carolina Invitational held at the University of North Carolina November 12-13. His 3.5-1.5 performance was a point better than Leland Fuerstman, Charles Alden, and Bernie Schmidt. Neal Harris and Dan Liu were a point and half behind with a 2-3 result.

Greg and Leland led throughout the tournament, with Leland holding a slim half-point lead after the first day of play, 2.5-2.0. However, Leland was defeated by Neal Harris and Bernie Schmidt the final day and

Greg picked up a win and a draw to win his sixth Invitational in the last seven years.

The tournament was directed and organized by Robert Singletary. Complete results are listed below:

<u>Crosstable</u>		<u>Past Winners</u>	
	1 2 3 4 5 6		
1. Greg Samsa	2337 * D D W W D 3.5	1971	John Daugman
2. Leland Fuerstman	2163 D * W L L W 2.5	1972	Lee Taylor
3. Charles Alden	2128 D L * D W D 2.5	1973	Lee Taylor
4. Bernard Schmidt	2124 L W D * L W 2.5	1974	Ken Collins
5. Neal Harris	2172 L W L W * L 2.0	1975	Greg Samsa
6. Dan Liu	2132 D L D L W * 2.0	1976	Lee Taylor
Games will be published in the next issue.		1977	Greg Samsa
		1978	Greg Samsa
		1979	Greg Samsa
		1980	Lee Taylor
		1981	Greg Samsa
		1982	Greg Samsa
		1983	Greg Samsa

AN OVERVIEW OF NORTH CAROLINA SCHOLASTIC CHESS

By Robert Singletary

Background--North Carolina Scholastic Project

The North Carolina Scholastic Project, recognized nationally in the November Chess Life, is growing by leaps and bounds behind the hard work of the North Carolina Scholastic Chess Organization. Due to this hard work, the 1984 North Carolina Scholastics looks to have 250 or more participants.

The North Carolina Scholastic Chess Project had its roots established eleven years ago by the triumvirate of Joe Stegall, Larry Matthews, and Ray Hight. Unfortunately, Larry and Ray are no longer involved with scholastic chess, but their contributions will be felt for years to come. Meanwhile, Joe continues his support of scholastic chess in the Marshville/Wingate area. These three people formed the foundation for the North Carolina Scholastics by organizing and directing the tournament and by coaching teams throughout most of the 1970's.

However, through the recent efforts of Esco Yancey, Bernie Schmidt, and Phil Bailey, chess has become a part of the magnet school curriculum in Wake County. Consequently, chess teams in Wake County have been forming at a rapid pace with nearly 30 schools in Wake County presently having teams.

As a result of this massive outbreak of teams in Wake County, the Wake County Scholastic Chess Association was formed earlier this school year. The objective of this organization is to promote scholastic chess in Wake County mainly by holding three tournaments throughout the year--two unrated Swisses in November and January and one rated Swiss in March (the Wake County Scholastics)--all which lead up to the state tournament in April.

Since this program has had such success, the North Carolina Scholastic Chess Association was formed to duplicate the Wake County Schools

Model in other counties in North Carolina. The design has been approved by the United States Chess Federation and the North Carolina Chess Association.

Officers of the North Carolina Scholastic Chess Association include the following:

Director	--Esco Yancey
Assistant Director	--Phil Bailey
NCCA Liaison/Chief Tournament Director	--Robert Singletary
President's Directional Committee	--Joe Stegall, John Thomas, Esco Yancey, Phil Bailey
High School Advisor	--Reginald Reynolds
Elementary Advisor	--Phil Bailey
Middle School Advisor	--Charles Keck
G.T. Curriculum Specialist	--Susan King
Magazine	--The Chess Scholar
Guest Columnist	--Bernard Schmidt
Special International Consultant	--Larry Goldberg
Attorney	--Yvonne Pugh

It is the strong belief of the North Carolina Scholastic Chess Association that a strong chess program must start within our public schools and grow from there. To this end, a model for certification requirements for coaches have been drawn up and these will be explained to advisors at the scholastics.

It is our hope that this framework will serve as a matrix for a prospering organization in the near future.

Upcoming Activity

First of all, contrary to what I have told many people, North Carolina was not awarded the U.S. Junior Open. The reason was that my bid was late and St. Louis, Missouri had already submitted a passable bid. I did not have very good cooperation from area hotels and before I could get everything straightened out, it was too late. However, never fear--we will have a Southeast Junior Open, and I will try to get support from neighboring states. We will also bid on the 1985 U.S. Junior Open, pending the support of the 1984 Scholastics.

In North Carolina there are three large scholastic tourneys leading up to the North Carolina Scholastics April 6, 7, and 8. The first of these is the North Carolina High School Team Invitational to be held February 4 at the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics in Durham. This tournament will have an individual Swiss format with the sum of individual scores counting for the team score. The entry fee is \$20 per team and all players must be enrolled at the high school or at a middle school feeding the high school (limited to four or five per school). This tournament was organized by John Thomas and NCSSM and will be directed by Robert Singletary (see Upcoming Tournaments for complete details). The second tournament is the Wake County Scholastics to be held March 17 at Martin Middle School in Raleigh. Participation is limited to Wake County students and the tournament will be a five-round Swiss, following a scholastic format (see Upcoming Tournaments for complete details). This tournament was organized by the Wake County Scholastic Chess Association and will be directed by Robert Singletary. Finally, Ram XXI to be held March 24 in Chapel Hill will be a regular Ram desinged as a warm-up tournament for the North Carolina Scholastics.

As for the North Carolina Scholastics, the tournament for the first time ever will be in two sections--elementary and high school/middle school. Entry fee will be \$7 in advance, \$9 at the site, and the tournament will be six rounds for high school/middle school and seven rounds for elementary. Here is my personal promise: the trophy situation will be much better than last year as the Superintendent of Wake County Schools will present the trophies (and they will be ready!). See complete details in Upcoming Tournaments.

Next issue, I will have a Scholastic Preview article (with my famed, sure-to-be-incorrect predictions) and reports of scholastic tournaments in Raleigh and Crossville, Tennessee. If anyone needs scholastic information, call me at 919/933-6033 on weekdays or 919/782-3809 on weekends.

THROUGH THE EYES OF A FISH

By Robert Singletary

Okay, okay . . . I am now going to address the editorship problem that has embroiled the North Carolina Chess Association the past six months.

To provide background information . . . the controversy began last September at the business meeting when some pent-up frustration over the quality of the Gambit was released. Then, to add fuel to the fire, the last issue was two months late and 22 people from the state asked me to appoint a new editor.

Usually, I am easily persuaded by the opinions of the membership but not this time. However, I adamantly agree the Gambit must be a quality publication and must come out on time. To get us back on schedule, I decided to put out this issue and turn the editorship back over to Charles. However, extenuating circumstances or not, the Gambit must come out on time. The Gambit is a thankless job but on-time publication is not that difficult.

Consequently, the following deadlines and publication dates will be strictly adhered to for 1984-1985:

<u>Deadline</u>	<u>Publication Date</u>	<u>Arrival Date</u>
January 5	January 30	February 6
March 1	March 25	April 1
April 26	May 20	May 27
June 22	July 16	July 23
August 20	September 14	September 21
October 18	November 12	November 19
December 15	January 9	January 16

If these dates are not adhered to, a new editor is waiting in the wings. I have discussed this matter with many people and then with Charlie, and this is the best decision for the near future. I know people will disagree, but give this idea a chance; and if this does not work out, we will try something else.

UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS

Directors: Please clear tournaments with either Branson Sheets or Robert Singletary.

January 7

Winston-Salem

Nova #5--3-SS, TL 40/90, Winston-Salem Hilton Inn, 420 High St., Winston-Salem, NC 27101. EF: \$25 if received by 1/4, \$30 at site (state membership required). \$\$(\$160 b/8): 120-40. Reg: 9:00-9:50, Rds: 10-2-6. Ent: Allen Cooley, 116 S. Marshall St., Apt. #1, Winston-Salem, NC 27101.

January 7

Morehead City

Winter Open--4-SS, TL 40/70, 107 S. 9th St., Morehead City, NC 28557. EF: \$8 if received by 1/4, \$10 at site (state membership required). \$\$(\$120 b/16): 80-40, trophy to 1st. Reg: 9:00-9:40, Rds: 10-1-4-7. Ent: Morehead City CC, c/o Donald Miller II, P.O. Box 3601, Morehead City, NC 28557. LS. NC.

January 14

Chapel Hill

Ram XIX--3-SS, TL 40/90, 30/1, SD/30, UNC-CH, Student Union (Hwy. 54 Business), Chapel Hill, NC 27514. EF: \$6 if received by 1/10, \$7 at site (state membership required). \$\$(\$32 b/8): 20-12. Reg: 9:00-9:45; Rds: 10-2-6. Ent: Robert N. Singletary, Box 6, Carolina Union, Chapel Hill, NC 27514. NS. NC.

January 28

Winston-Salem

Nova #6--See Nova #5 for details (pre-entry deadline 1/25).

February 4

Morehead City

Down Eastener #9--3-SS, 40/90, Webb Library, 107 S. 9th St., Morehead City, NC 28557. EF: \$5 if received by 2/1, \$6 at site (state membership required). \$\$(\$25 b/8): 25 & trophy to 1st. Reg: 9:15-9:45; Rds: 10-2-6. Ent: Morehead City CC, c/o Donald Miller, P.O. Box 3601, Morehead City, NC 28557. LS. NC.

February 4

Durham

The North Carolina High School Team Invitational I--3-SS, TL 40/90, 30/30, 30/G, North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics, 1912 W. Club Blvd., Durham, NC 27705. All players must be enrolled at the high school or at a middle school feeding to high school (limited to 4 or 5 per school). EF: \$20 (must be received by 1/14, state membership required). Rds: 10-2-6. All schools will receive a plaque honoring the team for their involvement, extra funds will be returned. Ent: John E. Thomas, 115 Joyceton Ch. Rd. SW, Lenoir, NC 28645. TD: Robert N. Singletary. Each player must submit name, USCF ID and expiration date, home address and phone number, school they attend and grade, and age as of Jan. 1.

February 11

Winston-Salem

Nova #7--See Nova #5 for details (pre-entry deadline 2/8).

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February 18

Chapel Hill

Ram XX--See Ram XIX for details (pre-entry deadline 2/14).

February 25

Winston-Salem

Nova #8--See Nova #5 for details (pre-entry deadline 2/22).

March 3

Morehead City

Down Eastener #10--See Down Eastener #9 (pre-entry deadline 2/29).

March 17

Winston-Salem

Nova #9--See Nova #5 for details (pre-entry deadline 3/7).

March 17

Raleigh

2nd Annual Wake County Scholastics (closed)--5-SS, TL 40/60, G/30, Martin Middle School, 1701 Ridge Rd., Raleigh, NC 27607. Open only to Wake County students. EF: \$2.25. In four sections: high school, middle school, elementary, and primary. Trophies to top team, individual, and girl in each section. Reg: 8:30-9:15. Rds: 9:45-12:00-2-15-4:30-6:45. Ent: Robert N. Singletary, 3712 Dade St., Raleigh, NC 27612.

March 24

Chapel Hill

Ram XXI/Scholastic Warm-Up--3-SS, TL 40/90, 30/1, SD/30, UNC-CH Student Union (Hwy. 54 Business), Chapel Hill, NC 27514. EF: \$7 if received by 3/20, \$8 at site (state membership required). \$(54 b/12): 36-12-6. Reg: 9:00-9:45; Rds: 10-2-6. Ent: Robert N. Singletary, 20 Old East, Chapel Hill, NC 27514. NS. NC.

April 6-8

Garner

12th Annual North Carolina Scholastics--North Garner Middle School, Powell Dr., Garner, NC 27529. Open to all NC students, grades K-12. In two sections. High School/middle school--6-SS, TL 45/90, 40/60, G/30. Team trophies to top five schools, top four middle schools, top five individuals, top five middle school, top III, IV, V, VI, and UNR. Rds: 8, 10-2:30-7, 9-1:30. Elementary--7-SS, TL 40/60, G/30. Team trophies to top five schools, top five individuals. Rds: 8, 10-12:45-3:30-6:15, 9-1:30. All--EF: \$7 if received by 4/1, \$9 at site (state membership required, \$4). Half-point byes available for Sunday morning round if for church service and if requested by 4/1. Ent: Robert N. Singletary, 3712 Dade St., Raleigh, NC 27612. 919/933-6033 weekdays, 919/782-3809 weekends. NS. NC. Early entry fees should include USCF ID, USCF & NCCA dues (if needed), address, phone, and grade level for each player. Top four individual scores form team score--no more than 10 players can be on a team.

