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## **From Secretary's Desk**



ALL players should take note of the approach of adjudication of their postal and e-mail tournaments. One month prior to the adjudication date they should send the status of their pending games to the TD and request for extension of the adjudication date if they feel the position is not clear.

In the following tournaments, the adjudication date is hereby extended to 30-08-2011:

7-Player Single Game:

7289, 7290, 7296, 7297, 7298, 7299, 7300, 7301, 7302

4-Player Double Game:

4297, 4298, 4300, 4306, 4307, 4308, 4310, 4311, 4312, 4313

Special Tournaments:

1802, 1803, 1805

All players in these tournaments should take note of the adjudication date and continue the games that are as yet unfinished.

In all correspondence with the TD, the players should rewrite their present e-mail ID, their Mobile or Residence number with STD code along with the time they are free for telephonic communication. Only then it will be possible for the TD to quickly resolve their difficulties. In view of the delays in postal communication the TDs prefer to communicate by e-mail, SMS or telephone.

The 15th Annual General Meeting of the members of the Federation was held on Sunday, 1st February 2009 at the residence of Dr. Ambar Chatterjee. Apart from confirmation of the minutes of the 14th AGM, approval of the reports of the Managing committee and the audited accounts for the year ending 31st March 2008, several key issues regarding the future of AICCF were discussed. It was felt that the drop in participation of members in postal tournaments was caused by the deterioration of the postal services. E-mail

and SMS have not been able to replace the immense popularity of post card play in the earlier years of AICCF. The only way to face the future would be to implement our own Webserver. Such a policy should also serve to attract the new generation who are familiar with computer based means of communication.

In any Correspondence Federation, communication is the key. If we don't have your correct postal address, the Bulletin cannot reach you. Therefore it is very urgent that you update us with any change of address. In the current regime of poor postal communication we must fall back on electronic communication, the costs for which have come down considerably. A member who does not receive the Bulletin can easily request the PDF file to be sent by e-mail. We are also trying to see if we can be more prompt in making the electronic version available at the website. Accordingly we are requesting all members to get back to us with the Contact Update Form (see p. 8 column 2). Please consider this as a very important matter and send the form back to us. If you prefer to send it by e-mail, you can send it to [drambar@gmail.com](mailto:drambar@gmail.com).

The next National B will be held at Kolkata from August 3rd to 15th, 2009. Like last year, we again announce that AICCF will cover the fees of one AICCF member who wishes to play in the National 'B' as donor. Last year we did not get a single response from a member who was willing to participate. Those who wish to participate this year should write to me immediately. One player will be selected on the basis of rating. (see p. 9)

As per the provisions of the AICCF Constitution, elections to AICCF management committee are to take place this year. The previous election was held in 1998. Please send in your nominations in prescribed format given on the following page. The elections will be conducted by postal ballot. Anybody requiring a full list of AICCF members' addresses should contact me by post or Dr. Chatterjee by e-mail. If the list is required by e-mail, it will be sent free of cost, but if you want a printout sent by post, please send me a MO/Bank Draft/Mumbai Cheque of Rs. 50/- in favour of "All India Correspondence Chess Federation".

— E.G. MEHEREHOMJI  
*Secretary-cum-Treasurer*  
[pourosah@vsnl.net](mailto:pourosah@vsnl.net)

## The Editor Speaks



THE hallmark of this issue is the contribution of member Lalit Kapoor of Saharanpur. He is a professional typesetter with experience in printing and publication. His offer to help us with the publication work of the Bulletin has come at a time when it is most needed. The present Editor must gradually find time to work on AICCF's webserver. The dedicated and voluntary work of Lalit Kapoor is commendable. He has done part of the editing and all the layout work of this bulletin and from the next bulletin onward should be able to take on a much bigger responsibility. The result of his efforts are here to see. For the first time we are bringing out the cover page in colour! There are many innovations in the layout and I am sure a lot more to come in future issues. He is also the circulation manager for this issue having arranged posting of the bulletins from Saharanpur.

The cover photo shows a historic occasion: the first ever wedding where bride and groom are both AICCF members (details on p. 31).

Comments about the present bulletin and all future correspondence on Bulletin matters can be sent to Lalit Kapoor on [sonulrk@gmail.com](mailto:sonulrk@gmail.com) with copy to me on [drambar@gmail.com](mailto:drambar@gmail.com).

The previous bulletin was substantially delayed and we tried hard to bring out this February issue as quickly as we possibly could. However we have once again to apologise for the long delay. In time, we hope to get back on schedule once again.

Apart from the new layout, the highlights of this issue are the announcement of AICCF Elections, the announcement of the next AICCF Championship to be played on ICCF's webserver and the discussion of the merits of AICCF starting its own dedicated webserver. In fact we are more or less decided on having our own webserver and still continuing with postal play for members who do not have internet access.

— DR. A. CHATTERJEE  
*Editor*  
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## Member Services

### New Membership

Rs. 50/– (Entrance Fee) plus either Rs. 100/– (for 2 years) or Rs. 600/– (Life) or Rs. 1500/– (Donor).

### Membership Renewal

Rs. 100/– for 2 years.

### Send to:

Draft / Mumbai cheque / MO in favour of **All India Correspondence Chess Federation to Sh. E.G. Meherhomji** (address given below in the list of TDs).

### AICCF Postal Tournaments

Type-A (7-player, single game) and Type-B (4-player, double game). No fees. **Play in as many tournaments as you want.** Drop a postcard or send the form given on inside back cover to **Sh. Meherhomji** (address on first page). No need to send self addressed stamped envelopes.

### AICCF E-mail Tournaments

Both type A and B are started from time to time. Send your request to **Sh. Santhosh Paul** (e-mail given below in the list of TDs).

### AICCF SMS Tournaments

For both (type A and B) tournaments contact Dr. A. Chatterjee (Address on first page).

### Tournament Directors (TDs)

There are different TDs for different tourna-

ments. When you have a claim, dispute or query make sure you contact the same TD as mentioned in the **start list** of your tournament).

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### Adjudication

When the tournament you are playing in reaches the adjudication date you MUST send a complete report to the TD similar to the form included in the inside back cover of this bulletin.

### AICCF Ratings

New members start with an initial rating of 800. Thereafter the rating is incremented/decremented according to results. In case of any doubt please get in touch with the Tournament Director and Dr. A. Chatterjee. (by e-mail or post, address on first page)

### AICCF Championships

The AICCF championships (15-player) are conducted from time to time. Qualified players are the: (a) current champion, (b) players at the top of the Rating Chart and (c) 2 donors. The 7th Championship (1507) is in progress. However, **P.B.Dhanish** of Calicut is the undisputed Champion, having won all his games.

### AICCF Bulletin

- Submit articles for publication, letters to editor, comments etc. to the editor by e-mail or post to editor: Dr. Chatterjee (address on first page) with copy to Lalit Kapoor, [sonulrk@gmail.com](mailto:sonulrk@gmail.com)
- Games for publication (preferably with notes) should be sent by e-mail to Games Editor: Sh. Anil Anand [anilanand\\_2940@yahoo.com](mailto:anilanand_2940@yahoo.com) with copy to Dr. Chatterjee or by post to Dr. Chatterjee.

### AICCF Websites

- General information, Recent AICCF Bulletins, e-mail address of members:  
[www.geocities.com/aiccf](http://www.geocities.com/aiccf)
- AICCF games display:  
[www.geocities.com/ganesh\\_chess\\_aiccf](http://www.geocities.com/ganesh_chess_aiccf)
- Results of AICCF games:  
[www.geocities.com/cross\\_tables](http://www.geocities.com/cross_tables)
- ICCF Congress, Mumbai 2004:  
[www.geocities.com/iccf2004](http://www.geocities.com/iccf2004)

### International Section

To play in ICCF Tournaments you must become a member of the International Section of AICCF (fees Rs. 320/- for 2 years or one time donation of Rs. 1550/—, to be sent to Shri Meherhomji). For ICCF tournaments contact **Dr. Alok Saxena** (see address in the list of TDs). One can play by e-mail or webserver (even by post, though this is not common now). The fees for the requested tournament must be sent to **Sh. Meherhomji** (Treasurer) after consulting with Dr. Saxena.

There are some ICCF tournaments like the Afro—Asia Zone Tournaments where you can play for free (see website (c) below). There are Team Tournaments such as the ICCF Olympiad (e-mail, postal or web-server) and Friendly International Tournaments, both of which are ICCF rated. Announcements regarding these are sent to members by e-mail. It is important to send your e-mail address to Dr. Saxena so that he can keep you updated on these team events.

ICCF allocates a unique ID number to you when you play in your first ICCF event. You

can locate this ID by searching at either of the ICCF Websites (a), (b).

### ICCF Websites

- (a) <http://www.iccf.com>
- (b) <http://www.iccf-webchess.com>
- Afro-Asia Zone:
- (c) <http://www.iccf-europa.com/aa/index.htm>

### ICCF Ratings

ICCF ratings are entirely separate from AICCF ratings and are computed in a different way. Note however that games played in the AICCF Championships are also ICCF rated. An ICCF rating is given to a participant after he completes 12 games. This rating is considered provisional. A regular or fixed rating is given only after the completion of 30 games. You can find your ICCF rating at the ICCF websites (a), (b).

### !! Important !!

- For general enquiries contact Sh. E.G. Meherhomji.
- All payments (both AICCF and ICCF related) must be sent to Sh. E.G. Meherhomji. The method of payment is Bank Draft, Mumbai Cheque or Money Order. Cheques/Drafts must be in favour of **All India Correspondence Federation** and payable in Mumbai.
- For further information about International Tournaments contact Dr. Alok Saxena.
- To receive copies of AICCF Bulletins that you may have missed or to get free extra copies for friends, contact Sh. E.G. Meherhomji or Dr. A. Chatterjee.

### Contact Update Form

Please note we require your details in specific format, so all members shall complete the form below and send by e-mail to Dr. Chatterjee: [drambar@gmail.com](mailto:drambar@gmail.com) or post to Sh. Meherhomji (address on first page). We need your following information:

1. Full name with LAST or MAIN name appearing first in CAPITAL letters (e.g., GALA, Khushal Laxmichand). Those who are also playing in ICCF must write their name in exactly the same way as it is entered in ICCF.
2. Shorter version of name which can be used in your address (e.g., K.L. Gala).
3. Complete Postal Address. (If you know your new 8-digit PIN code please include that)
4. E-mail Address (if any).
5. Second E-mail Address if any (only if you expect problems in first E-mail. But it is better to provide us with only 1 [one] stable e-mail address).
6. Telephone Number (can be Mobile or Land Line with STD code) and the timings during the day when you are available (mention holidays/weekends separately if needed).
7. Second Telephone Number (same as point 6.).
8. You may also provide a 3rd telephone number if necessary.
9. If you are playing/planning to play in SMS Tournaments, the Mobile number for SMS messages.
10. AICCF Membership Number and ICCF ID.  
(In case the AICCF Membership Number or the ICCF ID is not readily at hand, don't worry. We can fill that for you.)



## AICCF TO SPONSOR ONE PLAYER IN NATIONAL B

[The amounts mentioned in this notice (e.g: Rs. 6000/- for the donor entrance fee) are taken from last year's announcement. In case the figures have been revised we will update this notice accordingly.]

AICCF has decided to offer a sponsorship amounting to Rs. 6,000/- (or lesser amount for special category of players) to 1 AICCF member who wishes to play in the 47th National 'B', Kolkata, starting 3rd August.

1. Any member of AICCF who wishes to participate in this National 'B' tournament and who is not representing the State Chess Association or other sports body is eligible.
2. The player wishing to avail the sponsorship should contact AICCF by e-mail to [drambar@gmail.com](mailto:drambar@gmail.com) or by post to Sh. Meherhomji, (address on first page) on or before May 30, 2009. This may also be done telephonically by contacting Sh. Meherhomji at phone number 022 25896941.
3. From among the sponsorship requests received, AICCF will select the player having the highest AICCF rating and inform him about the selection.
4. The player must contact the West Bengal State Chess Association and apply to play as a donor. He must forward his application through his own State Association and include a payment by DD of the donor fee amounting to Rs. 6,000/- on his own. If the player belongs to North Eastern States, Andaman & Nicobar, or Jammu & Kashmir, there is a 50% concession. In that case the draft amount is Rs. 3,000/- and AICCF's sponsorship amount will also be limited to Rs. 3,000/-. For players having played previously in a National 'A' tournament, the fee is Rs. 4,200/- and in this case AICCF's sponsorship will be limited to this amount.
5. A xerox copy of the application including a xerox copy of the DD should be sent by post to Sh. Meherhomji at his usual address (see above), along with an undertaking that in case the player does not play in the National 'B' 2009, he will refund the sponsorship amount provided to him.
6. On receipt of item 5 above, AICCF will send a cheque/draft of Rs. 6,000/- (or less for the special categories) to the player.
7. Note that the selected player will be participating in the National 'B' as an individual donor; he will not be representing AICCF. AICCF will merely be sponsoring the player to encourage his participation in a National Tournament.
8. AICCF's sponsorship amount is restricted to Rs. 6,000/- (Rs. 3,000/- for concessional case and Rs. 4200/- for former National 'A' players). Cost towards lodging, boarding, travel etc. are to be borne by the individual and will not be reimbursed by AICCF.

## **Elections To The Aiccf Management Committee**

NOTICE is hereby given for the election of the Management Committee. The posts are: President (1 post), Vice President (1 post), Secretary-cum-Treasurer (1 post), Bulletin Editor (1 post), Members (3 posts). AICCF Champion (P.B. Dhanish — Winner 1507) is co-opted to the committee. All posts are honorary. A candidate has to be either a Donor or Life Member of AICCF. The nomination should be sent by post to the Election Officer in the following format:

### **NOMINATION**

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Full Name:

Address:

E-mail address:

Phone- 1:

Phone-2:

Mobile:

AICCF Membership No:

Post Applied For:

Signature:

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It is possible to put in nominations for more than one post. Nominations should be posted to the Election Officer:

**Sh. Laxman Singh Danu**

1808 Nilgiri,

Anushakti Nagar,

MUMBAI 400094

The last date by which nominations should reach the Election Officer is 15 June 2009. Scrutiny of the nominations will be completed by 25 June 2009 and the concerned candidates will be informed accordingly. Last date for withdrawing nominations is 25 July 2009.

Those who want to receive the list of members' addresses by post should send Rs. 50/- to Shri E.G.Meherehomji by MO/Draft/Mumbai Cheque in favour of "All India Correspondence Chess Federation". Those who want to receive the list by e-mail can do so by sending a request to Dr. Chatterjee drambar@gmail.com. List provided by e-mail is free of cost.

For contested seats, ballot papers will be sent to all the members. They should cast their vote and post to the Election Officer in a sealed envelope so as to reach him before 31 August 2009.

## World Women's Chess Championship, Manila 1991

BY NAGESH J.

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THE 1991 World Women's Chess Championship was a historic event. Xie Jun defeated Maya Chiburdanidze becoming the first Asian to win the Title. For a very long time, the Soviets had dominated the Women's title and the advent of Xie triggered an awakening of Chess in China.

Xie had won the Candidates Tournament by defeating Alisa Maric in a tie-break 4.5 to 2.5 (the tie-break was required since Xie had tied with Alisa). The Manila match was held from Sep 25th to Oct 28th as the best of 16 games.

It was organized by the Philippine Sports Committee in collaboration with the City of Manila. It had been a long time since any non-soviet player had challenged the World champion and the Ladies match had almost never been played outside the Soviet Union. So, this match was very important for Asian chess. The organizers had made good arrangements with identical facilities for the two players. The hotel rooms were identi-

cal in size and positioned at two ends of the same floor. Bodyguards were allocated to the players.

Before the match Xie was worried about preparation because Maya was well versed with modern opening theory. So Xie decided to turn her lack of understand in openings into a practical weapon. By playing boldly and originally, Xie hoped to upset her opponent.

Her delegation to the match consisted of 6 members (team-leader, his assistant, medical doctor, 2 seconds and Xie herself).

Xie got good support from her team who stayed in the playing hall throughout the duration of the game. After 10 games the score was tied 5-5. Xie started playing with more energy but Maya began to get tired. Both players became more nervous and the games were riddled with more mistakes than expected. The 14th game was the decisive which ended in a draw and left Xie with a 2 point lead with just 2 more games to go.

Xie won the match 8.5 to 6.5 (4

wins, 2 losses and 9 draws) without needing to play the last game of the match. Xie won Games 3, 8, 11 and 13. She lost Games 4 and 5.



Xie Jun

One incident that could have proved fatal for Xie happened after Game Four. On a rest day, Xie wanted to relax in the swimming pool. She did not know how to swim, so she stayed in the shallow side of the pool. Due to the strong current in the pool, her legs got dragged to the deep end and luckily, her seconds and doctor who were with her rescued her. She had a lucky escape but was frightened badly.

After winning the match Xie found herself in the centre of popularity and media attention. Several parties were arranged and there seemed to be no end to the celebrations for bringing the title to Asia. Xie's delegation was invited to the Presidential palace to meet President Corazon Aquino. Xie was awarded the Medal of Honour from the President.

Back in China also, Xie received an incredible reception. She was invited to the City Hall to give a series of interviews and press conferences.

Xie has been primarily responsible for popularising Chess in China. The Media started considering it as a true sport and players got more publicity than before.

Below I give the 15th Game of this match.

**I. Pirc Defence, B12**

**Xie Jun —  
Maya Chiburdanidze**

*15th game of Womens World  
Championship, Manila 1991*

**1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nf3 d6**

[going into this game, Xie had a lead of 8-6 and needed only a draw to win the title]

**4.Nc3 a6 5.a4 b6 6.Bc4 e6 7.0-0 Nd7 8.h3 Bb7 9.Be3 Ne7 10.Qd2 h6 11.Nh2 Nf6 12.Bd3 Qd7 13.Rad1 d5 14.f3 Nh5 15.Qf2 f5 16.g4 dxe4 17.fxe4 Nf6 18.Nf3 0-0-0 19.Ne5 Qe8 20.Qe2 Nxe4 21.Nxe4 fxe4 22.Bxa6 Bxe5 23.dxe5 Qxa4 24.Bxb7+ Kxb7 25.Ra1 Qc6 26.Qa6+ Kb8 27.Rf6? Qb7 28.Qxb7+ Kxb7 29.Rxe6 Nd5 30.Re1 Nxe3 31.Rxe3 Rd2 32.Rxe4 Rxc2 33.Rxg6 Rd8 34.Re1 Rdd2 35.Rxh6 Rg2+ 36.Kh1 Rh2+ 37.Kg1 Rcg2+ 38.Kf1 Rxb2 39.Kg1 Rhg2+ 40.Kh1 b5 41.e6 Rge2 42.Rxe2 Rxe2 43.Rf6 b4 44.g5 b3 45.Rf1 c5 46.g6 Rxe6 47.g7 Re8 48.h4 Rg8?? 49.Rg1 Kc6 50.h5 b2 51.Rb1?? Rxg7 52.Rxb2 c4 53.h6 Rh7 54.Rh2 Kd5 55.Kg2 Ke4 56.Kf2 Kd3 57.Ke1 Kc3 58.Ke2 Kb3 59.Ke3 c3 60.Kf4 c2 61.Rxc2 Kxc2 62.Kg5 ½-½**

## Games Section

BY ANIL KUMAR ANAND

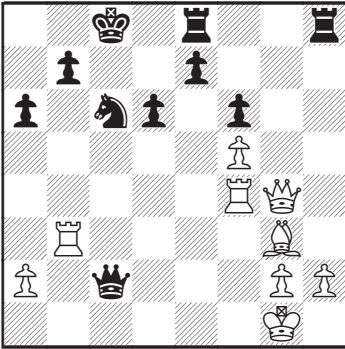


### 2. Sicilian Defense, B90

**Noel, Beth 2236 —  
Saxena, Alok 2208**

*ICCF FM/0812*

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4  
Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Be3 Ng4?! 7.Bg5 h6  
8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3 Bg7 10.Be2 h5! 11.Bxg4  
hxg4 12.O-O Nc6 13.Nf5 Bxc3 14.bxc3  
Qa5 15.Qxg4 f6 16.f4 Bxf5 17.exf5 gxf4  
18.Rxf4 Qxc3 19.Rb1 O-O-O 20.Rb3  
Qxc2 [D]



21.Qf3? Qc1+ 22.Qf1 Qxf1+ 23.Kxf1  
b5 24.h4 Kd7 25.Ke1 Rdg8 26.Ke2  
Na5 27.Rc3 Nc4 28.Kf1 Rc8 29.Be1  
Rc5 30.Rh3 Rd5 31.Ke2 Re5+ 32.Kf2  
Nb2 33.Kf1 Rc5 34.Rf2 Na4 35.h5  
Rc4 36.Re2 Nc5 37.h6 Ne4 38.Bd2 e5

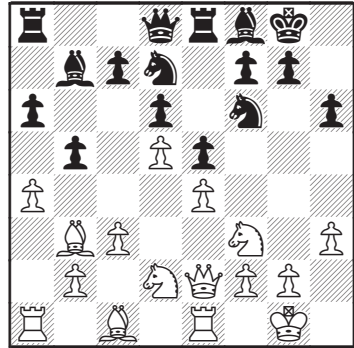
39.fxe6+ Kxe6 40.g4 Kf7 41.Reh2 Kg6  
42.Bf4 Rh7 43.Bxd6? Nxd6 44.Ra3 Rc6  
0-1

### 3. Ruy Lopez, C92

**Saxena, Alok 2208 —  
Noel, Beth 2236**

*ICCF FM/0812*

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6  
5.O-O Be7  
(Closed defense)  
6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 d6 8.c3 O-O 9.h3 Bb7  
10.d4 Re8 11.Nbd2 Bf8 12.a4 h6 13.d5  
Nb8 14.Qe2 Nbd7! [D]



(A subtle trap!)

15.axb5 axb5 16.Rxa8 Qxa8 17.Qxb5?  
Nc5 18.Bc2 Ba6 19.Qa5 Bd3! 20.Qxa8

Please send your games (preferably with notes) for publication to:

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Rxa8 21.Bxd3 Nxd3 22.Rd1 Nc5 23.Kf1  
 Be7 24.Ke2 Nfxe4 25.Nxe4 Nxe4  
 26.Nd2 Nc5 27.b4 Na4 28.Kd3 Nb6  
 29.c4 f5 30.f3 Ra2 31.g3 Kf7 32.h4  
 Bf6! 33.Kc3 h5 34.Rh1 e4+ 35.Kb3  
 Ral 36.fxe4 fxe4 37.b5 e3 38.Ne4  
 Be5 39.Ng5+ Kg6 40.Nf3 Bf6 41.Re1  
 Rb1+ 42.Kc2 Rb4 43.Bxe3 Nxc4  
 44.Kd3 Nxe3 45.Kxe3 Kf5 46.Rcl Kg4  
 47.Nd2 Rxb5 48.Rxc7 Rxd5 49.Nfl  
 Ra5 50.Rc4+ Kh3 51.Rc2 Rf5 52.Rh2+  
 Kg4 53.Ke2 Rb5 54.Ke3 Rb2 55.Rxb2  
 Bxb2 56.Kf2 Kh3 57.Nd2 Be5 58.Nfl  
 Bd4+ 59.Kf3 d5 60.Nd2 Bc3 61.Nfl  
 d4 62.Kf2 Ba5 63.Kf3 Bel! 0-1

#### 4. Scotch Game, Meises Var. C45

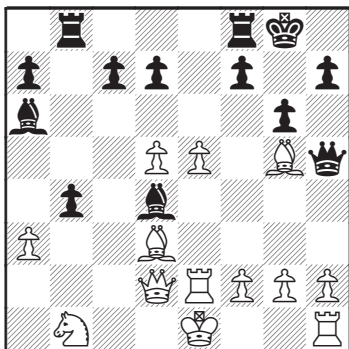
**Duro Sole Ramon 1800 ESP —  
 Anand, Anil Kumar 1815 IND**

*ICCG Cup Preliminary CP-2005-P-00125*

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4  
 Nf6 5.Nxc6

(This was Mieses' idea)

5...bxc6 6.e5 Qe7 7.Qe2 Nd5 8.c4  
 Ba6 9.b3 Qh4! 10.a3 Bc5 11.Qf3 Bd4  
 12.Ra2 Nb6 13.Bd3 c5 14.Re2 O-O  
 15.Qf5 g6 16.Bg5 Qh5 17.Qf4 Nd5  
 18.Qd2 Rab8! 19.b4 cxb4 20.cxd5 [D]



20...bxa3!

(White's uncastled King is a serious liability.)

21.Nxa3 Rb3! 22.Bxa6 Bc3!

(The culmination!)

23.Qxc3 Rxc3 24.Nb5 Rb3 25.Bcl Qg4  
 0-1

#### 5. Trompowsky opening, D00

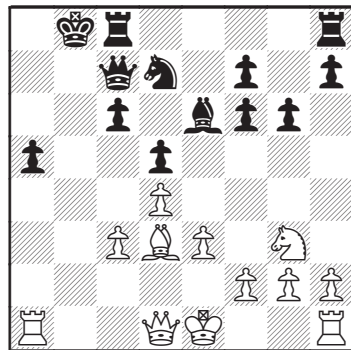
**Anand, Anil Kumar 2028  
 — Ramden Jim 2038 AUS**

*ICCF World Cup XV (WC15/WS66)*

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bg5 d5 3.Bxf6 exf6 4.e3  
 Be6 5.c3 Bd6 6.Bd3 Nd7 7.Ne2 c6  
 8.Nd2 Qc7 9.Ng3 O-O-O?

(This early castling is pre-mature)

10.a4 Kb8 11.b4 Rc8 12.Nb3 g6 13.Nc5  
 Bxc5 14.bxc5 b6 15.cxb6 axb6 16.a5!  
 bxa5[D]



17.O-O

(Black's position is already lost.)

17...Rce8 18.Qa4 Kc8 19.Rfb1 Kd8  
 20.Ba6 Ke7 21.Rb7 Qd6 22.c4! c5  
 23.Qxa5 Ra8 24.dxc5 Qc6 25.Qb5??

(Correct was 25.Rc7!)

25...Rhc8! 26.Qxc6 Rxc6 27.cxd5  
 Rxa6 28.Rxa6 Rxa6 29.e4 Kd8 30.Rb5  
 Bg4? 31.f3 Bh5 32.c6 Rb6 33.Ra5 Nb8?

34.Ra7 Nxc6 35.dxc6

(if 35.dxc6 Rxc6 36.Nxh5 gxh5 37.Rxf7 +-) 1-0

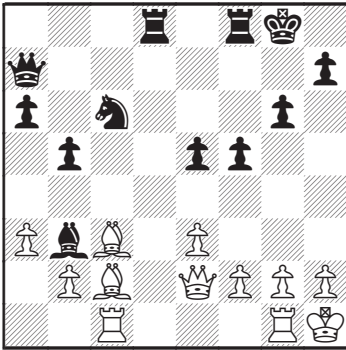
**6. Queens's Gambit Acc., D26**

**Mohan Jayaraman**

— **Shams Khan**

*AICCF 4314*

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.e3 e6 5.Bxc4 c5 6.Qe2 a6 7.dxc5 Bxc5 8.O-O b5 9.Bd3 Nc6 10.Rd1 Qb6 11.Nbd2 O-O 12.Nb3 e5 13.Nxc5 Qxc5 14.Ng5 Bb7 15.Bd2 Rad8 16.Ne4 Nxe4 17.Bxe4 f5 18.Racl Qb6 19.Bbl Bc8 20.a3 Be6 21.Bc3 g6 22.Khl Bb3 23.Rgl Qa7 24.Bc2 [D]



(Draw agreed. Both sides played it safe.)  
½-½

**7. Old Indian Def., A55**

**Jayaraman, Mohan 2065 —**

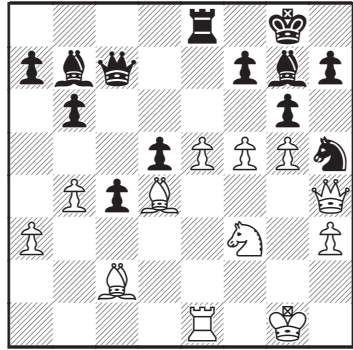
**Sham, Christopher 2154**

*8th Afro-Asian Zonal Chp. Final 2006*

1.d4 d6 2.c4 Nf6 3.Nf3 Nbd7 4.Nc3 e5 5.e4 exd4  
( 5...Be7 6.Be2 O-O 7.O-O c6 8.Qc2 Qc7 9.Rd1 a6 10.Bg5 h6 is more

common)

6.Nxd4 Be7 7.Be2 O-O 8.O-O Re8 9.Be3 Ne5 10.h3 c6 11.f4 Ned7 12.Qc2 Qc7 13.Rad1 Bf8 14.Nf3 b6 15.Bd3 Bb7 16.g4 Rad8 17.g5 Nh5 18.Qf2 Nc5 19.Bc2 g6 20.b4 Ne6 21.f5 Nef4 22.Qh4 d5 23.a3 dxc4 24.Rxd8 Rxd8 25.e5 Nd5 26.Nxd5 cxd5 27.Bd4 Bg7 28.Rel Re8 [D]



29.e6! Bxd4+ 30.Nxd4 a6 31.Nf3 gxf5 32.Bxf5 Qg3+ 33.Qxg3 Nxc3 34.exf7+ Kxf7 35.g6+ hxg6 36.Bxg6+ Kxg6 37.Rxe8 c3 38.Re6+ Kf5 39.Nd4+ Kf4 40.h4 Bc8 41.Rc6 Bg4 42.Rxc3 Ne4 43.Rd3 b5 44.Nc6 Nf6 45.Kf2 Bh5 46.Ke1 Bf3 47.Nb8 Ng4 48.Nxa6 Ne5 49.Rd2 Ke3 50.Nc7 Nd3+ 51.Rxd3+ Kxd3 52.Nxb5 d4 53.Kf2 1-0

**8. Nimzo-Ind. Def. Class. var., E32**

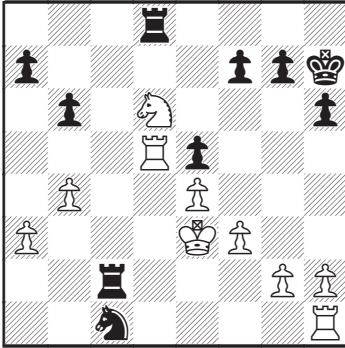
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— **Noble, Mark F 2437**

*8th Afro-Asian Zonal Chp. Final 2006*

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 O-O 5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.Qxc3 b6 7.Bg5 Bb7 8.f3!? h6 9.Bh4 d5 10.e3 Nbd7 11.cxd5 Nxd5! 12.Bxd8 Nxc3 13.Bh4 Nd5 14.Bf2 c5 15.e4 Ne7 16.Ne2 Rfd8

17.Nc3 cxd4 18.Bxd4 Nc6 19.Be3 Nde5  
20.Rd1 Na5 21.Be2 Nec4 22.Bc1 Rdc8  
23.Nb5 Bc6 24.Bxc4 Nxc4 25.Nd4  
Na5 26.b3 e5 27.Nf5 Rc7 28.b4 Nc4  
29.Rd3 Bb5 30.Kf2 Nb2 31.Rd5 Nd3+  
32.Ke3 Nxc1 33.Rxb5 Kh7 34.Nd6 Rd8  
35.Rd5 Rc2 [D]



36.f4? Rc3+ 37.Kd2 Rd3+! 38.Kxc1  
Rxd5 39.exd5 Rxd6 40.Rd1 exf4 41.Kc2  
Kg6 42.Kc3 Kf5 43.Kd4 g5 44.Re1 f6  
45.Re7 a6 46.a4 g4 47.Re1 f3 48.gxf3  
gxf3 49.a5 bxa5 50.bxa5 h5 51.Kc5  
Rd8 52.d6 Kf4 53.Kc6 f2 54.Ral Kf3  
55.Kc7 Rh8 56.d7 Kg2 57.d8=Q Rxd8  
58.Kxd8 Kxh2 59.Kc7 Kg2 60.Kb6  
f1=Q 61.Rxf1 Kxf1 62.Kxa6 h4 63.Kb6  
h3 64.a6 h2 65.a7 h1=Q 66.a8=Q  
Qxa8 0-1

**9. Scilian Najdorf, B97**

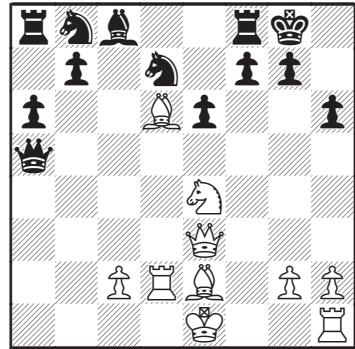
**Tanti, Joe G 2312 —**

**Jayaraman, Mohan 2065**

*8th Afro-Asian Zonal Chp. Final 2006*

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4  
Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bg5 e6 7.f4 Qb6 8.Qd2  
Qxb2 9.Rb1 Qa3 10.e5 dxe5 11.fxe5  
Nfd7 12.Ne4 h6 13.Bh4 Qxa2 14.Rd1  
Qd5 15.Qe3 Qxe5 16.Be2 Bc5

17.Bg3 Bxd4 18.Rxd4 Qa5+ 19.Rd2  
O-O 20.Bd6 [D]



20...Nc6 21.Bxf8 Nxf8 22.O-O Ne7  
23.Qf2 f5 24.Bc4 Kh7 25.Rfd1 fxe4  
26.Qxf8 Ng6 27.Qf2 Qc3 28.Bf1 b5  
29.Rd8 Bb7 30.Qf7 Rxd8 31.Rxd8 h5  
32.Qxb7 Qe3+ 33.Kh1 Qc1 34.Qf7  
Nf4 35.Qg8+ Kg6 36.Qe8+ Kh7  
37.Qh8+ (Draw by perpetual check)  
½-½

**10. Sicilian Najdorf, B97**

**Fekih, Brahim 2360 —**

**Jayaraman, Mohan 2065**

*8th Afro-Asian Zonal Chp. Final 2006*

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4  
Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bg5 e6 7.f4 Qb6 8.Qd2  
Qxb2 9.Rb1 Qa3 10.f5 Nc6 11.fxe6  
fxe6 12.Nxc6 bxc6 [D]

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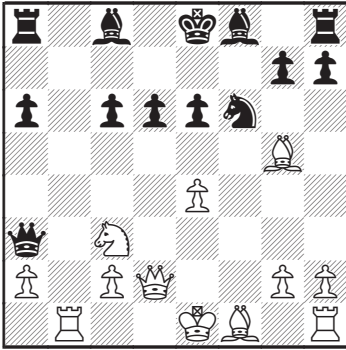
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13.e5! dxe5 14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Ne4 Be7  
16.Be2 h5 17.Rf1 f5 18.Rb3 Qa4  
19.Nd6+ Bxd6 20.Qxd6 Qa5+ 21.Kf2  
Qd5 22.Rd1 Qxd6 23.Rxd6 Bd7 24.Rb7  
Rd8 25.Ra7 Ke7 26.Rxc6 Rc8 27.Rxc8  
Rxc8 28.c4 h4 29.Rxa6 Bc6 30.Bd1  
Be4 31.Ra5 Rxc4 32.Rxe5 Kf6 33.Bb3  
Rc6 34.Rb5 Rd6 35.g3 Rd2+ 36.Ke3  
Rxb2 37.gxh4 Rxb4 38.Rb6 ½-½

## 11. Sicilian Closed, B50

**Onem, Cem 2283 —**

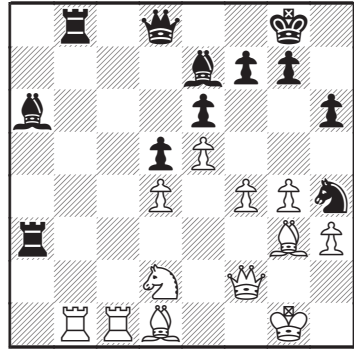
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*8th Afro-Asian Zonal Chp. Final 2006*

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.Bc4 Nf6 4.Nc3 a6  
5.a4 Nc6 6.d3 e6 7.Bg5 Be7 8.O-O  
O-O 9.Rb1 b6 10.Ra1?

(Loss of time! White plays without any effort at gaining initiative)

10...Qc7 11.Re1 Bb7 12.h3 Nd4 13.Bf4  
h6 14.Ba2 Nxf3+ 15.Qxf3 Qd7 16.Qd1?  
Rac8 17.Bb3 Rfd8 18.Qe2 Re8 19.Rad1  
b5 20.axb5 axb5 21.Bh2 Ra8 22.f3  
d5 23.e5 Nh7 24.Nb1 Nf8 25.c3 b4  
26.Nd2 bxc3 27.bxc3 Ng6 28.Rb1 Reb8  
29.d4 Bg5 30.Qf2 Nh4 31.f4 Be7 32.g4  
Qd8 33.Bg3 Ra3 34.Rec1 cxd4 35.cxd4  
Ba6 36.Bd1 [D]



(Draw agreed. Both sides played it safe.)  
½-½

## 12. Queens Indian, E12

**Dr F Baumbach GER**

**— P Valent cze**

*13th CC Olympiad*

*Board 1 (Nov 2004 – Apr 2007)*

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 b6 4.Nc3 Bb7  
5.a3

(Petrosian Variation, E12)

d5 6.cxd5 Nxd5 7.Qc2 Nxc3 8.bxc3  
Be7 9.e4 O-O 10.Bd3 c5 11.O-O Qc8  
12.Qe2 Ba6 13.Rd1 Bxd3 14.Rxd3 Nd7  
15.e5

(The first game with this position was  
*Radjabov 2624-Anand 2753, Linares 2003*  
which continued 15...Qc6 16.Bg5 Rfe8  
17.Bxe7 Rxe7 18.Ng5 cxd4 19.cxd4  
f6 20.exf6 Nxf6 21.Re1 h6 22.Nf3  
Rc8 23.Ne5 Qc2 24.Qf3 Nd5 25.Qg3  
Draw)

**15...cxd4 16.cxd4 Re8 17.Bg5 Qa6?!**

(Coming out of the Book? Usual and  
correct is 17...Bf8 or 17...Nf8)

**18.Bxe7 Rxe7 19.Rad1 Nf8 20.Ng5**

(The strongest; 20.h4 Rc8 21.Ng5 Rec7  
22.Ne4; or 20.h4 Rd8 21.Qe3 Red7

22.h5 h6!; or 20.Qe3 Rc8 21.Ng5 Rec7 22.Ne4 Rcl and black has achieved the goal of exchanging one of the rooks)

**20...Rc7 21.Qf3 Rd8 22.h4 h6 23.Ne4 Ng6 24.h5 Ne7 25.g4! Qb7 26.g5 hxg5 27.Qg4**

(27.d5 Rxd5 28.Nxg5; or 27.d5 exd5 28.Nxd6; or 27.d5 Nxd5 28.Nxg5 Qc6 29.Qe4 Qc4 30.Qh7+ Kf8 31.Ne4 Ke7 32.Rf3 Nf4 33.Re1 (33.Rxd8 Qf1+! and mate) 33...Ne2+ 34.Kg2 Rf8 35.Re3 Rcc8 36.Nd6 and white wins an exchange)

**27...Rc4**

(27...Rcd7 28.h6 gxh6 29.Nf6+ Kg7 30.f4 Ng6 31.fxg5 h5 32.Nxh5+ Kf8 33.Nf4; or 27...Rf8 28.h6 gxh6 29.Nf6+ Kg7 30.f4 Rh8 31.fxg5 hxg5 32.Rh3; or 27...Qa8 28.Nxg5 Qc8 29.h6 gxh6

30.Ne4+ Kh8 31.Rh3 Nf5 32.Qf4 Rg8+ 33.Kh2)

**28.Nd6 Rxd6 29.exd6 Nf5 30.Qxg5 Qd7 31.h6**

(The alternatives were 31.Qf4 or Rcl)

**30...f6 32.Qg6 Nxh6 33.Rh3 Nf7**

**34.Qh7+ Kf8 35.Rg3 Ng5 36.Qd3 b5**

**37.f4 Nf7 38.Qh7 g5 39.fxg5 Qxd6**

**40.Rg4 Qxa3 41.g6 Qe3+ 42.Kh1 Qf4**

(42...Qf3+ 43.Rg2 Qxd1+ 44.Kh2; or 42...Qh6+ 43.Rh4)

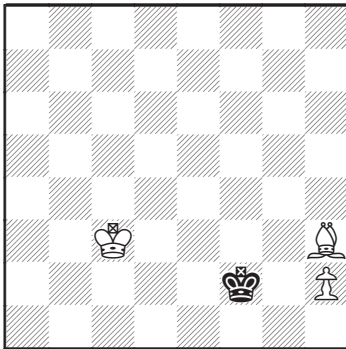
**43.Qxf7#**

No wonder this game was selected by Michael Blake as “**The Game of the Month**” in April 2007!

*Notes by: V.D. Pandit*

## Corchegimmic 38

GAMES Editor Anil Anand writes, ‘I missed the regular “Corchegimmic”! So here is one for the AICCF readers for the next edition.



White to play and win

This simple-looking position was so difficult that both Spassky and Tal failed to solve it at their prime! Our readers I’m sure can do better!

Send your solutions to:

**Dr. A. Chatterjee** by *e-mail* to [drambar@gmail.com](mailto:drambar@gmail.com) or by *post* to 11 Sriniketan, Anushakti Nagar, Mumbai 400 094.

Meanwhile former AICCF Editor, Sh. V.D. Pandit stridently suggests that this column should carry only positions from actual CC games (see *Letters to the Editor*). We agree and hope that our readers, Anil Anand included will in future look for interesting positions from the CC world only.

## Chess a stimulant, perfect cure for depression

Readers may be interested to read the following interview featuring our President, **Dr. A.B. Surveyor** published in 1999 but so relevant in today's ever stressful life...

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Dr. A.B. Surveyor

BY ANAND VENKATRAMAN



**SEPTEMBER 12:** For A living, he sets your teeth right. But challenge him to a game of chess, he is likely to chew you up.

He is no ordinary chess player. Dr. Aspi B. Surveyor has won the National title in correspondence chess ten times (70-86, 89-91).

The correspondence chess Nationals is played over 18 months with one move every three days. As the name suggests, players exchange moves by post-cards. To ensure that the competition finishes in time, each player takes on the other 15 simultaneously. That means receiving and sending replies to 15 post cards in three days.

Dr. Surveyor, who apart from being a Consultant Oral Diagonistician is also an author of 12 plays,

poems and books, believes there is more to chess than just making clever moves.

He quotes two great chess players Tarrasch and Alekhine to hammer in his belief.

*"A person is a fool if he is totally ignorant of chess, like the pleasures of love,"* Dr Surveyor quotes Tarrasch. Alekhine said: *"Chess is among the most intellectually stimulating activities if not the most."*

Though the doctor does not play any more, he studies the game on a regular basis. "Even studying the game stimulates me," he says.

With the National Correspondence championships not being held for several years, Dr. Surveyor is busy setting up a new body The *All India*

*Correspondence Chess Federation*. He had won the title when the championships were being conducted by the earlier body the *Correspondence Chess Association of India*.

He recalls his playing days. “As the tournament progressed, my sleeping hours would decrease. Some days, I would barely manage two hours from 4:00am to 6:00am before heading for the hospital. Some nights I would not sleep, analysing games through the night!”

The triumphs over the years have given him another title the best analyst of a given position. And his analysis takes him deep into the game. Like the time he spent 40 hours over a single move. “The opponent was Ramanathan from Mysore. Another player, H.J. Samtani, and I were neck-and-neck in the race for the title. I needed a win against Ramanathan and the move that he gave me was a draw. So I sat through on a Saturday afternoon, the whole of that day, the next day (Sunday) before finding a win late in the night.”

But his passion has one peril. The game gets adjourned if it does not get over in the stipulated period. “The game then goes to the expert and he may not understand the position always and grant your opponent a win when a draw is a sure result. To avoid this, I have sometimes not chosen the best alternative as it may prolong the outcome. I have compromised on best move so that the result is faster.”

Though correspondence chess, like the ongoing Garry Kasparov vs World

match on the net is impersonal, some of the participants manage to add to it a personal element. “In addition to their moves, some players write abuses, some poetry. Many reveal their disillusionment, some talk about having attempted suicide,” he says. Dr. Surveyor has a piece of advice for all those contemplating suicide — play chess. “You learn how to avoid the traps. You find a way out of your troubles.”

#### **Correspondence Chess—The format**

Sixteen players qualify for the Nationals. To qualify, a player must compete in the National B where the top four players from the three groups qualify and they join the four seeds from the previous National championships.

A player has to make a move within three days. A day is counted when you receive a letter in the afternoon and send his move by 4:00 pm the next day. If he sends the reply by the same afternoon, he saves all his three days.

In effect a player has to send and receive ten letters from one player each month. Of course, he plays 15 players simultaneously over several months! One tournament lasts over a 18-month period.

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*You are for me the Queen on  
d8 and I am the Pawn on  
d7!!*

— GM EDUARD GUFELD

## Readers Write

### THE AICCF BULLETIN

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### Colourful Holi

*WE thank all our members who sent in good wishes for the Holi festival. Memorable among these was a letter from former AICCF Champion, Dr. Sunil Somani who advocates that we should conserve water!*

Dear Editor,

Wishing you a very Happy and Colorful Holi !!

!! SAVE WATER !!

— DR. SUNIL K. SOMANI  
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### About The Bulletin

Dear Editor,

Thank you for an excellent bul-

letin. I particularly liked Mr. Dhanish's article and Mr. Anil Anand's article on David Bronstein (Recently I downloaded a book in PDF: *Art of Middle Game* by P.Keres and A.Kotov published in 1964. It was fascinating to read about players of the previous century and their creativity).

TD's should send the result to all the players in a tournament once a game has finished, especially in the AICCF Championship. Now I come to know only through the bulletin.

It seems once players start on ICCF games, very rarely they play in AICCF. They may be overburdened. So we can think of starting 5-player single game tournaments. Currently I have only 1 game in AICCF (T.No. 1507) and 6 games in ICCF. So I would be very much comfortable in entering a 5 player tournament. Alternatively we can also start 2-game matches.

As I said, in the current bulletin, Mr. Dhanish's article was very informative. We can add a permanent column for internet material, such as synopsis of interesting articles, e-books available for download etc.

— PRABHANANDAN K.  
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*Former editor of the AICCF Bulletin  
V.D. Pandit writes:*

Dear Editor,

If we want members to take interest in CC, then we should also give

them information from the CC field. So our Bulletin should be dedicated primarily to CC. When I started “Corchegimmic” it stood for “Correspondence Chess Gimmic”. Obviously, positions only from CC games should appear under this caption. If you want to write about leading chess players of the world, please write only about the leading CC players of the world. How many members might be aware of who is the current World CC Champion? It is AICCF’s duty to educate them in this. When we are trying to promote CC, our dedication to it must be seen, and the medium for it is our Bulletin. So the Bulletin should give material only related to CC. Instead of publishing articles on OTB players and activities, we should give information about CC players and their games/activities from all over the world. We should talk about the World CC Championship and CC Champions of other countries. Recently World CC Champion played a game against The World and, I think, lost it. Such interesting news should have appeared in our Bulletin. Now another game also is in progress. Members should be asked to send their moves. They should be taught the process for it. Such an approach may enrich their interest in CC (and AICCF).

Please permit me to give here an illustration: A mother and father are going out to see a movie leaving their little son behind. While going out of the house, they warn the son to do his studies and not to go out of the house. What would be effect of their warning on the son? In all probabil-

ity he will ignore it. Why? Because the boy did not see his parents’ sincerity towards him. If the parents want their son to study, they too should remain along with him doing some sincere work like reading, etc. If we want others to take interest in CC, we, the seniors, ourselves must take and show our interest in CC. And the proper medium for it is our Bulletin. There is no point in eulogising OTB players thru our Bulletin. There are umpteen chess magazines to do that.

I am aware of the large volume of work involved in editing and publishing a Bulletin. And the AICCF editor is doing all this free of charge and at the cost of his family engagements. I will therefore never crib about the delay in publication. However, the editor should also realize his/her limitations and should not be unnecessarily overambitious like trying to print the Bulletin every quarter. That is why I had maintained the frequency as half-yearly. (That too I had found taxing!). Publishing the Bulletin in time should obviously be the major consideration in deciding the frequency of the Bulletin.

— V.D. PANDIT  
*Mumbai*

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Dear Editor

I just received the PDF file of the August 2008 bulletin. Thank you very much for your effort in bringing out the Bulletin.

— GAUTAM DE  
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Dear Editor,

The victory of Vishy has pleased every chess-loving Indian and the Editor's article did full justice to the critical moments of the match.

The quality of AICCF championship games drew my attention. The games of our champion, Mr. Dhanish are quite exceptional. Especially interesting was his win over Mr. Prabhakaran. I hope to participate in the next edition (AICCF 1508) and cross swords with him! Most of the games were closely-fought. Of course, some games had gross mistakes. Mr. Nagraj (White) missed a clear win against Mr. Dabholkar (28.Re8+ Kg7 29.Qe5+!) which upset me.

The Heritage article on Karpov was very nice. On page 26, the names were mixed up. Karpov (not Kasparov) lost the title in 1985. Another notable mistake was that Karpov's ELO 2985 performance was certainly NOT the highest ever performance in history but Bobby Fischer's 3000+ ELO performance for his 6-0 routing of world-class GM's Bent Larsen and Taimanov! In fact, Fischer in the early 1970's and Capablanca in the 1920's are regarded as the most spectacular chess performers in history!

The articles on Gavande and Santhosh Paul's Auto-chess-O-graphy were very touching.

— ANIL ANAND  
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Dear Editor,

Thanks for bringing out another wonderful issue of the AICCF Bulletin. Please also convey my thanks to V. D. Pandit for his deeply researched

article on late M.K. Gavande. I expect more such articles from him.

It is nice that you have brought the centuries old problem of knight's tour to the attention of readers. It has been further extended upto fifth dimension but those who find it difficult to visualise higher dimensions should not loose heart. A lot remains to be discovered even on the two dimensional board. One such example is the semi-magic tour of knight on a 10×10 board. (*Interested readers may contact Awani Kumar for the diagram and try to improve upon this tour -Ed.*)

You may be aware that the postal department has now allotted 8-digit (instead of 6-digit) PIN codes. Please update my PIN code (and that of other members too) for speedier delivery of mails.

— AWANI KUMAR  
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*We request all our members to send us their 8-digit PIN codes if available (using the form printed elsewhere in this issue).*

— Ed.

## Players Woes

Dear Editor,

We should think about why people withdrew in CC games in the past. To me this is due to the fact that some of the TDs blindly applied the rules which benefited cheats and recalcitrants. Moreover the dictum that *Rules are for Players* was ignored and *Players are for Rules* was followed. In one of my championship games, the opponent blundered a piece due to writing mistake so I



offered him the chance to correct his move. Instead I received a reminder to which I replied under UPC. Meanwhile the player lodged a claim which was awarded. I wrote to the TD giving details of my game and UPC etc. but the TD did not reconsider or refer the matter to the Appeals Committee. Similarly in the same Championship there were some instances where chronic defaulters were rewarded because they knew how to exploit rules. Rating chasers are the biggest culprits of CC. In my tenure as TD I always strived for a game to be decided on the board rather than at my desk, at some (temporary) inconvenience to some players. It is time to identify such persons and take swift action.

— KRISHNA PRABHAKAR  
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## The Computer Demon

Dear Editor,

CC is losing its sheen because of the advent of computer software programs. A player knows he is playing against his opponent's computer. Otherwise how one can one explain the good performance in CC by weaker OTB players? You are beaten by the opponent's computer. That loses the charm of playing. It ultimately boils down to why one plays CC: to win or to enjoy the game? In this regard my article published (in the late 80's) in G.P. Suman's CCAI Bulletin is relevant. (One CCAI member was irritated over my forthright observations in that article. But

that was because certain of them applied to him!).

— V.D. PANDIT  
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*The use of computers for CC (both for AICCF and ICCF) is now perfectly legal and in fact no play at the upper level of CC can be imagined without computer analysis. It is no longer relevant to comment about the 'fun of CC' being lost because you are playing the opponents computer. Rather you should focus on how you can make intelligent use of computer engines yourself. The aim is to search for deep strategies and pose challenges for the opponent. The tactics are best checked by computer. So in a way CC has become more creative and more of a challenge by the advent of computers rather than the other way around. Perhaps it is hard to convince everyone and at least one more member (see letter below) is so upset with computer use that he has stopped playing CC altogether! Those who use computers a lot in other creative work such as engineers and scientists (like myself) perceive the computer as just a tool, the REAL thinking has still to be done by the human player.*

— Ed.

Dear Editor,

I do not play chess by correspondence though I am an AICCF Member. I used to play until 4 years ago till I learnt that anyone can make use of engines/software. My idea is just as players play OTB on their own, in CC they should play exclusively on their own, the only difference being that in OTB the player





also provide positions where computers can find the best move in seconds, but human beings cannot, even in several days. So this does not prove anything.

Anyway, this topic has been discussed umpteen number of times, please see a recent discussion on the ICCF Forum: <http://www.iccf.com/forum/showthread.php?t=2353>

A detailed comparison of the relative strengths of Computers vs. Humans is given in the first chapter of the book *Modern Chess Analysis* by Robin Smith, twice US correspondence chess champion.

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*The Editor replied to Shri Modak explaining how ICCF came to the decision to allow the use of computers in CC because one cannot control the use*

*of computers in privacy. After that, over a decade has passed. Today's CC players are comfortable in using engines as a tool to check their ideas (especially tactics), but realize that strategy and planning require deeper insight. The truth is that in a given position, the computer may suggest several equally good alternatives, but in the game you have to make only one choice. In AICCF we delayed the official acceptance of engines because computers were out of reach for many. But in 2005 (see the AICCF Bulletin, Feb 2005, p. 1, 37) AICCF followed the stand taken by ICCF and other national CC federations worldwide and officially allowed the use of computer search engines for CC in AICCF tournaments.*

*Shri Modak is not impressed by our arguments. However, for our other members and players worldwide, CC remains the enduring sport it always was.*

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## Question To You

BY A. CHATTERJEE



IN mid-February, we circulated an e-mail to all members whose e-mail address was available with us asking an opinion about the future direction of AICCF. The discussion on this topic is not closed... we urge you to send your response to the editor by e-mail or post (*address on first page*). We particularly need the response of members who do not have e-mail

(and also members whose e-mail address is not available with us).

### The question asked was:

Should AICCF implement its own webserver? If so, should postal play also be continued? Could the running fees for the AICCF webserver be recovered by charging a nominal tournament entry fee for each webserver tournament?

Here are some of the responses we received:

Dear Editor,

It is time for AICCF to move on to Webserver so that the TD's work can be eased. Also if someone like Shri Shams Khan can take up Webserver play, I do not see why others cannot follow suit. Internet is available in every nook and corner of the country and should not pose a problem to any correspondence chess player (in my humble opinion) — despite a little cost if one does not have PC at home as also internet connection.

This will also force players who play 'only to create trouble' to exit. Such players have already impacted others including me to give up playing other than on Webserver (we play for the sake of our interest in chess and not for this kind of 'warfare'). Also I do not believe that 'naming and shaming' such players will lead to desired results.

The next issue is the cost of Webserver and I would prefer players to bear the cost. Donations from members for setting up the webserver could be invited. We can also charge players for their participation on webserver but this has to be nominal charge.

In my opinion, SMS play for Correspondence Chess is not the right way for AICCF.

— MOHAN JAYARAMAN  
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Dear Editor,

The decision about continuing or

phasing out postal play may be taken after obtaining due concurrence from all the members through a questionnaire. The members could reflect their views for and against and the majority of opinions of members to be taken as the apt one.

Should AICCF implement its own web server? Yes indeed!. The expenses may be meted out of onetime subscription from all members for setting up of facilities. The amount may be decided after consulting members through bulletin/individual mail.

One year is too long period for AICCF to setup its webserver! We should expedite the matter. Till that is set up, we may conduct the next AICCF Championship on ICCF's server.

Please ponder whether our web server could derive some income from advertisements. Secondly, can we get some sponsors, who for the sole sake of chess are able to shelve out some money! Can we find some donors? (Mr.KVLN is a role model).

If we cannot find adequate fees for web serve then I suggest collecting some nominal fees for web server tournaments. The amount may be spelt out clearly in advance for agreement by members.

Some members can use the free SMS facility given by the mobile service provider. Hence for them, SMS play is beneficial and free of price tag. Even otherwise, the cost is affordable to players who opted for SMS play. One also has to accommodate players in the larger interest of chess with the handicap of not having e-mail facility.

Switching on computers is always beneficial as one need not to arrange chess board manually. At the fag end, it is the interest /willingness/choice of the players that prevail on the ways to use their facilities they possess.

— C. MOHANACHANDRAN  
*JWO (Retd)*

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Dear Editor,

We should phase out postal tournaments now as postal service has become very erratic due to ready availability and low cost of E-mail, SMS and STD as means of communication. We may still continue with e-mail tournaments till webserver is formally operational. Unfortunately we have very few e-mail tournaments being started.

— DR. ALOK SAXENA  
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Dear Editor,

I feel that our original system of playing postal tourneys should not be altogether abandoned (although I'm not playing it myself) because players without facilities of e-mails/webserver will not get chance of playing. Although, playing with webserver is an excellent option due to its speed and extinction of unsporting habits of 'non-replies', I sometimes get lots of problems, mainly because I am living in a remote town of electricity cuts, 'connectivity troubles' (service problems of telephone systems) and absence of trained computer 'repairers'.

Yes!! AICCF should implement its own webserver. I personally feel

that SMS is better and quicker than e-mail, while webserver is the best.

— PERVEZ MANDVIWALA  
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Dear Editor,

I think that postal chess should be totally stopped and only SMS, E-mail and Webserver chess should be entertained.

— SHAMS KHAN  
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Dear Editor,

I personally would want to stop postal play. Some players may still prefer postal play.

Advantage of webserver over e-mail would be that I need not keep track of games that have not moved for some time.

Yes, AICCF must implement its own webserver. I definitely support server play. I am playing in an ICCF server for the first time but have experienced it in IECG. Yes, running fees could be recovered by charging a nominal tournament entry fee for each webserver tournament.

I had sent my entry for SMS chess only because I still was not allotted any e-mail tournament. I would still prefer e-mail over SMS.

— PRABHANANDAN K.  
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Dear Editor,

The good response from AICCF members to play next AICCF Championship on webserver shows that the postal correspondence is now out of play. AICCF should discontinue postal play and encourage the tourna-

ments to be played either by e-mail or on webserver. AICCF should implement its own webserver. Either donations from members or sponsorship amount may solve the question of cost of implementation. In the meantime AICCF games can be played on ICCF webserver. AICCF should charge entry fee to cover the running cost of webserver.

— K.L. GALA  
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Dear Editor,

According to me, the debate 'whether e-mail chess or postal chess?' is unnecessary (and also unhealthy). Both should survive. Any form, other than OTB, should be promoted by AICCF — be it post, e-mail, SMS, telegraph, telephone, or whatever. Nothing should be anathema. This flexibility is absolutely essential for the survival of the AICCF. Here I remember the quote: Throw the tyranny of 'or' and embrace the genius of 'and'! We must change our stance from 'this or this' to 'this and this'. Separate tournaments can be and should be arranged for each category, and I agree there should not be mix up in the same tournament.

Playing the game thru e-mail is felt very clumsy. (I too still feel that way!) One has to keep switching on the PC to know the move and then again to post the reply. In India, still today, it is felt burdensome. Many do not possess yet their own PCs. The supply of electricity is becoming erratic day by day. (To know its agony, one must go and stay outside

Mumbai). But I realize one has to be open to change and cannot swim against the tide. We should try to make e-mail chess more and more popular. But 'postal chess' need not be stopped altogether. Those who wish to play thru post should be allowed to do so. We need not look down upon them — at least in our country. If the postal services are irregular they are paying for its consequences. If affordable, one may resort to courier service. But one cannot deny that there are certain advantages of 'postal chess' over 'e-mail chess'.

I appreciate your readiness to put up webserver for AICCF. I am not at all against webserver play. In today's world, it has to be promoted. No two opinions about it. But, at the same time, if a few members want to play by post or by e-mail or SMS, they should be allowed to do so in separate tourneys arranged for each category. Majority of the tourneys shall be through webserver only.

I think the time has arrived to decide upon Vision and Mission Statements of AICCF.

— V.D. PANDIT  
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Based on the responses we received, AICCF feels that we should start our own webserver as soon as possible. However we should not phase out postal play. The final decision regarding the issues raised will be taken after giving a chance to our members, (especially those without e-mail) to respond.

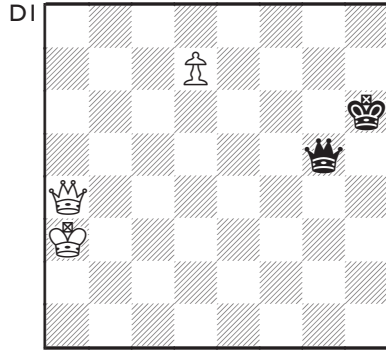
# Kiss of Queen

A new chess variant  
invented by world no. 5  
**GM Vassily Ivanchuk**

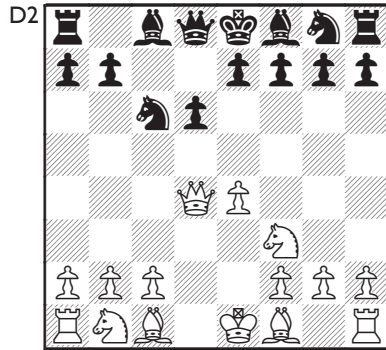
JUST forty and currently doing very well in his career, GM Vassily Ivanchuk invented an interesting variant of chess. In this new game Queen's vulnerability is more than the king. According to him it will tight rope the drawn results of the game. All the rules of his proposed variant are like normal chess apart from these:

1. Pawn can be promoted into rook, bishop and knight only. So no queen promotion. [D1]
2. Queen can not be taken. So no queen sacrifice is allowed. Any move which left the queen en prise is illegal. [D2]
3. Any attack to the queen is treated as check. So one can win by checkmating the enemy queen also. [D3]
4. Simultaneous attack (knight fork, skewer etc.) on king and queen is called "*Harem Mate*". [D4]
5. If there is no piece of the queen's own side standing on an adjacent square, she is said to be "*naked*". At that time any enemy piece may approach her, "*kiss*" her and win the game. If the only cover is king then except for king, any other piece can "*kiss*" her. [D5]
6. But queen can approach to the enemy king if supported. [D6]

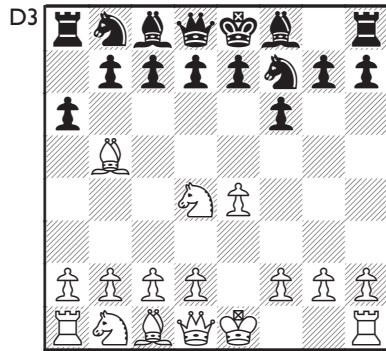
Examples for above rules are:



Here 1.d8=R, 1.d8=B and 1.d8=N is possible but 1.d8=Q is illegal.



White cannot play 5.Bb5 pinning the Knight because white queen is in check.



White can checkmate by 5.Ne6!#.

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## First AICCF 'Chess Marriage'

THEY say marriages are made in heaven, but marriages can be made by chess combinations too. On 10th February 2009, our members Manali Tendulkar and Hrishikesh Chavan tied the knot in a traditional wedding which took place at Dadar, Mumbai. This is the first time ever that two AICCF members have got married to each other. The couple met each other for the first time during the Inter-Collegiate Chess Tournament of Mumbai University, 2003.

We are very happy to present here the short write-ups sent to us by Manali and Hrishikesh and wish the couple everlasting happiness and pray that their link with the immortal game and its play by correspondence remains close to their heart throughout their life!

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**Education:**

- Completed Post Graduation Diploma in Event Management from EMDI.
- Completed Post Graduation (Accounts) in March 2006.
- Completed Graduation from commerce in March 2004.

**Experience:**

- Represented Indian Television in organizing "6th Indian Telly Awards, 2006".

**Extra-Curricular:**

- Represented College Chess Team in Inter-Collegiate Chess Tournaments organized by University of Mumbai for last 7 years.
- Participated in various Chess Tournaments conducted by Bombay Chess Association.
- Currently working with Asian Business Exhibition And Conference Ltd for past 2 years.
- Not in touch with chess due to pressures of office work and other responsibilities.

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**Achievements:**

- International FIDE Rated Chess Player.
- National Arbiter.
- President - Gurukul Chess Academy.
- Won Gold Medal in Inter-Collegiate Chess Tournament-Organized by



- Mumbai University in the year 2004.
- Won Silver Medal in Inter-Collegiate Chess Tournament-Organized by Mumbai University in the year 2003.
- Won Bronze Medal in Inter-Collegiate Chess Tournament-Organized by Mumbai University in the year 2001.
- Lead D. G. Ruparel College in Inter-Collegiate Chess-Tournament 2001 to win Bronze Medal.
- Won Bronze Medal in Intra-Collegiate Chess Tournament-Organized by R.K.Talreja College in the year 2004.
- Runner Up in the 'd4-d5' Thematic Chess Tournament-Organized by Bombay Chess Association in the year 2003-04.
- Bagged joint 3rd Place in Entrants Division Chess-Tournament organized by Bombay Chess Association in the year 2000.
- Won 3rd Prize in Rapid Chess Tournament-Organized by Bhandari Sharirik Krida Spardha Samiti in the year 2000.
- Prize Winner in the Pranlal Majlani Memorial All India FIDE Rating Chess Tournament and thereby completed Rating Performance.
- Scored 5.5/11 in ROCHESS All India Open FIDE Rating Chess Tournament and thereby completed a Rating Performance.
- Won 6th Prize in 'd4-Nf6' Thematic Chess Tournament - Organized by Bombay Chess Association in the year 2004.
- Prize Winner in the LOKSEVA Trophy Rapid Chess Tournament in the year 2004.
- Joint 11th in Bombay IIT Open Chess Tournament Organized by Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay in the year 2001.

- Participated in the "National - B" Chess Championship in the year 2006.
- Participated in various National & International Open Chess Tournaments.
- Champion in the BMC team selection chess tournament in the year 2006-07.
- Won top board 1st prize and won team championship in Inter-Corporation Sports organised by Pimpri-Chinchwad Municipal Corporation.
- Won 9th prize in the 2nd Bombay Chess Association Open FIDE Rating Chess Tournament in the year 2008.

#### **Experience:**

- Associated with Bombay Chess Association (BCA) for past 7 years where we plan, organise and conduct various chess events all over Mumbai. (Bombay Chess Association is a legal chess body in Mumbai)

#### **Chess Coach at various institutes:**

- MET's Rishikul Vidyalaya, Bandra.
- Overall Growth Centers (OGC)
- Central Railway Institute, Byculla.
- O.L.P.S. School, Chembur.
- Member of the Bombay Chess Association administration committee.
- Was member of the Arbiters Team who successfully conducted the prestigious Commonwealth Chess Championship twice in the years 2003 and 2004.
- Currently holding private chess classes and conducting camps.

#### **Favourite Chess Opening:**

With white:

1. d4

With black:

I am a die-hard Sicilian Dragon fan. I love this defence that's why I have selected King's Indian against 1.d4 as the basic ideas, pawn structure, etc are same in these two defences. Actually I am so used to 'Bg7' that I feel uncomfortable if



my opponent doesn't allow me to play that move.

**Favourite books:** Winning with the dragon- vol. 1 and 2. I thought these books may be bit biased but it gives you huge confidence to play Sicilian dragon.

**Favourite player:**

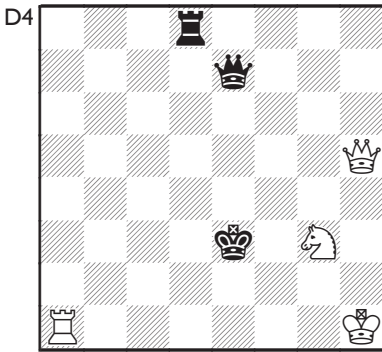
Of course, King Gary Kasparov.

**Occupation:** Currently working with MCGM (Municipal Corporation Of

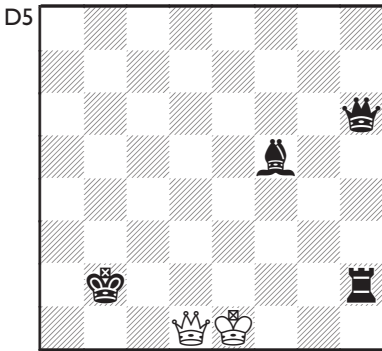
Greater Mumbai) since 2006 as an Auditor.

Met Manali in the inter collegiate chess tournament of Mumbai university in the year 2003. our college (R K Talreja, Ulhas Nagar) defeated her college (SIWS) 4-0. I was playing on the 2nd board & she was playing on the top board.

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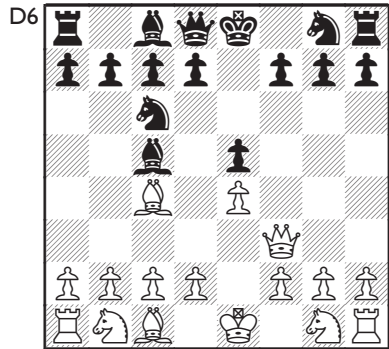


White can deliver mate by 1.Rel# (Skewer) or 1.Nf5# (fork), hence *Harem Mate*.)



Here 1...Bc2, 1...Rc2 wins by "Kiss" because bishop and Rook are lower rank

to cover (King) of White Queen. But 1...Kc2 or 1...Kc1 is illegal, as cover is King. And also 1...Rh1 wins by "*Harem Mate*".



White Queen can checkmate the Black King by 4.Qf7# as she is protected by White Bishop and no other Black piece.

You can check more interesting positions of this variant on <http://www.chessbase.com/newsdetails.asp?newsid=5320>.

Definitely the present variant is very entertaining and will give more win and rare draws. But what about our fascination and love of queen sacrifices. Are Tal and Morphy listening in the Heaven?

## 7th AICCF Championship, 1507

WE once again congratulate P.B.Dhanish who retains the title of AICCF Champion, having won all his games in 1507. The cross-table below shows the present position:

Player	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	Pts	%
1 P.B. Dhanish	x															14/14	100
2 A. Chatterjee	0	x					0									12/14	85.7
3 Prabhanandan	0	0	x		½	½										10.5/13	80.8
4 N. Neelakantan	0	0		x	½	½										10/13	75.0
5 P.S. Dabholkar	0	0	0	½	x	½										10/14	71.4
6 K.L. Gala	0	0	½	½	½	x	½		½							8.5/13	65.4
7 Nagaradjane	0		0	0	0	½	x	0								7.5/13	57.7
8 Dr. A. Nagaraj	0	0	0	0	0	0		x			0					7/14	50.0
9 D. Tyagi	0	0	0	0	0			0	x							4/10	40.0
10 Shams Khan	0	0	0	0	0	½	0	0		x						5.5/13	42.3
11 Cdr. Ganapathi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	x						5/13	38.5
12 Pawan Kumar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	x					3/14	21.4
13 A. Dutta Gupta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	x				2/14	14.3
14 S.K. Somani	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	x			1/14	7.1
15 Ravi Prakash	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	x		0/14	0

Dr. A. Chatterjee finishes second with 12 points. The third position could be taken by either Prabhanandan or Neelakantan. This will be decided depending on the result of the crucial game against each other, which is in progress.

We ask all players of 1507 to go through the above cross table and report any discrepancies to TD, Dr. Alok Saxena, especially about results of any games completed but not recorded above.

We remind the players who still have pending games that the adjudication date for the tournament is 1st October 2009. Please report the status of the game immediately to the TD and if necessary ask for an extension of the adjudication date. This is to be treated as most urgent.

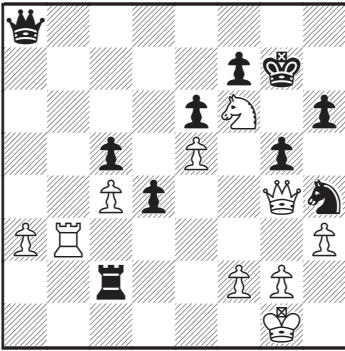
We give below some of the recently completed games:

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**Neelakantan, N  
— Dhanish, PB**

*AICCF Championship 1507, 2006-08*

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 c5  
5.Bd2 Ne7 6.a3 Bxc3 7.Bxc3 b6 8.Qh5  
cxd4 9.Bxd4 Ba6 10.Bxa6 Nxa6 11.Ne2  
Rc8 12.Rc1 Nf5 13.O-O O-O 14.Rfd1  
Nc5 15.Bxc5 bxc5 16.c4 d4 17.Nf4  
Qb6 18.Nd3 a5 19.Re1 Rb8 20.Rb1 a4  
21.Qd1 Qc6 22.b4 axb3 23.Rxb3 Nh4  
24.Nf4 Rxb3 25.Qxb3 g5 26.Qg3 h6  
27.Nh5 Rb8 28.Nf6+ Kg7 29.Qg4 Rb2  
30.h3 Rc2 31.Rb1 Qa8 32.Rb3[D]



32...Rc3

Now Black takes control of the game.

33.Rb2 d3 34.Rd2 Rxc4 35.f4 Rd4  
36.Qg3 c4 37.fxg5 Nf5 38.gxh6+ Kh8  
39.Qg5 c3

White resigned as after 40.Rf2 d2 41.Rxf5  
d1Q+ 42.Kh2 Qf8.

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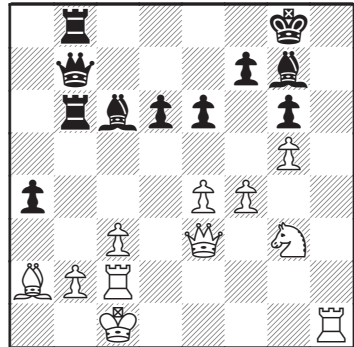
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**Nagaradjane, A.G —  
Prabhanandan, K.**

*AICCF Championship 1507, 2006-08*

Prabhanadan prevails in this Dragon  
variation game with attack on castled  
kings on opposite flanks

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4  
Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2  
Nc6 9.Bc4 Bd7 10.0-0-0 Rb8 11.Bb3  
Na5 12.g4 b5 13.h4 Nc4 14.Qd3 Nxe3  
15.Qxe3 Qb6 16.g5 Nh5 17.Nd5 Qd8  
18.Ne2 a5 19.a3 e6 20.Ndf4 Nxf4  
21.Qxf4 a4 22.Ba2 b4 23.axb4 Rxb4  
24.c3 Be5 25.Qe3 Qc7 26.f4 Bg7 27.h5  
Rfb8 28.hxg6 hxg6 29.Rd2 Bc6 30.Ng3  
R4b6 31.Rc2 Qb7[D]



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**Nagaradjane, A.G  
— Dhanish, PB**

*AICCF Championship 1507, 2006-08*

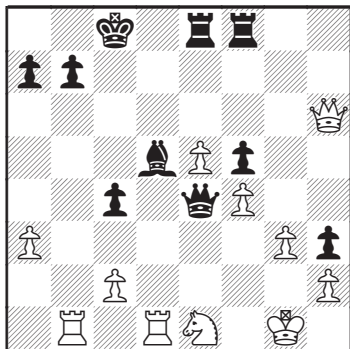
Another interesting game with opposite  
side castling.

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 Ne7  
5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 c5 7.Qg4 Nf5 8.Bd3

B78

C18

h5 9.Qf4 Qc7 10.dxc5 Nd7 11.Nf3 Nxc5 12.Bd2 Bd7 13.Rb1 O-O-O 14.O-O Ne4 15.c4 Nxd2 16.Nxd2 g5 17.Qxg5 Rdg8 18.Qf6 dxc4 19.Bxf5 exf5 20.Rfd1 h4 21.Nf3 Qc6 22.Qxf7 h3 23.g3 Be6 24.Qf6 Re8 25.Ne1 Qe4 26.f4 Rhf8 27.Qh6 Bd5[D]



**28.Rxd5**

White decides on this line giving up the exchange, however he had a more defensive alternative in 28.Kf2

28...Qxd5 29.Qxh3 Qc5+ 30.Kf1 Rd8 31.Qg2 Rf7 32.Qe2 Rfd7 33.Nf3 Qxa3 34.Qxc4+ Rc7 35.Qb3 Qa6+ 36.Ke1 Rc4 37.Nd2 Rcd4 38.Nf1 Qc6 39.Kf2 Rc4 40.Rc1 Rc3 41.Qb4 b6 42.Kg1 a5 0-1

**16.**

**E97**

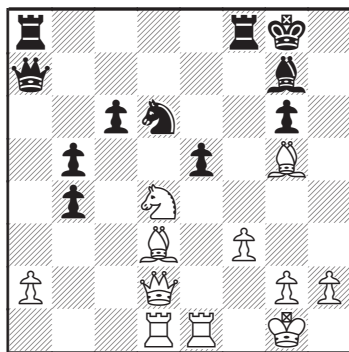
**Prabhanandan, K. —  
Dabholkar, P.S.**

*AICCF Championship 1507, 2006-08*

King's Indian, E97. We already printed this game in the last bulletin, but now we also include Prabhanandan's comment.

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Nf3 0-0 6.Be2 e5 7.0-0 Nc6 8.d5 Ne7 9.b4 Nh5 10.Re1 f5 11.Ng5 Nf6

12.f3 h6 13.Ne6 Bxe6 14.dxe6 Nh5 15.Be3 c6 16.Qd2 Nf4 17.Rad1 Nxe6 18.c5 Nd4 19.Bxh6 b5 20.exf5 Nexf5 21.Bg5 Qc7 22.cxd6 Nxd6 23.Bd3 a5 24.Ne2 axb4 25.Nxd4 Qa7 [D]



Prabhanandan's comment at the end of the game to his opponent: "Your 25th move Qa7 followed by Nc4 gave me an opportunity to get into to your king side. Otherwise the game had a lot in it."

26.Kh1 exd4 27.Be7 Nc4 28.Qg5 Ne3 29.Qxg6 1-0

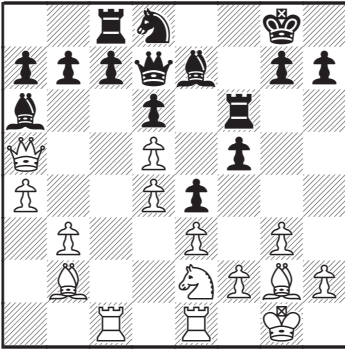
**17.**

**A25**

**Dabholkar, P.S. —  
Neelkantan, N.**

*AICCF Championship 1507, 2006-08*

1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 f5 4.Bg2 Nf6 5.e3 Be7 6.d4 O-O 7.Nge2 d6 8.b3 Qe8 9.O-O Nd8 10.Nd5 Nxd5 11.cxd5 Bd7 12.Bb2 e4 13.Rc1 Rc8 14.Qd2 Rf6 15.Qa5 Bb5 16.Rfel Qd7 17.a4 Ba6[D]



18.b4 Bxe2 19.Rxe2 c6 20.Rec2 Ra8  
 21.dxc6 Nxc6 22.Qd5+ Kh8 23.Ba3  
 a6 24.f3 exf3 25.Bxf3 Bd8 26.Qb3  
 Ne7 27.Rc3 Rb8 28.b5 axb5 29.Qxb5  
 Qxb5 30.axb5 g5 31.Kf2 g4 32.Bg2 Kg7  
 33.Bb4 Kf7 34.Ba3 ½-½

## 8th AICCF Championship, 1508

THE 8th AICCF Championship will be started around July 2009. Unlike previous championships, this Championship will be a landmark for AICCF in that it will be played exclusively by Webserver. We will be taking up ICCF's offer which allows one webserver tournament to be hosted at the ICCF webserver free of cost for each member country. We envisage a 15 player tournament, as is the usual practice for AICCF Championships, however should there be less than 15 entries we will organise the tournament with a lesser number. Again, as usual we are providing 2 seats as donor entries, that is, 2 seats can be filled by players who do not qualify on the basis of ratings but are willing to play as donors.

The decision to have the 8th Championship played by Webserver has been in our mind since long. In fact it was a seriously considered option for 1507. However, at the time 1507 was started, we were worried that perhaps several players would not have access to Internet and so the current championship, 1507 was played as a mixed E-mail and postal event. The experience of the play in the tournament was also mixed. There was an early withdrawal from the tournament by S.M. Ravi Prakash ostensibly for personal reasons, but we suspect that like many of our members he was fed up of the postal delays, sending reminders by UPC, keeping records and other mundane tasks. T. Pawan Kumar also withdrew at an early stage. The worst experience, from AICCF's point of view was the controversial decision that had to be taken regarding stalwart player and past AICCF Champion S.K.Somani. Somani

elected to play by post although he was definitely a user of e-mail. The postal delivery at Indore could be a reason for the back and forth reminders, claims and counter claims which were causing much heartache for the TD to resolve. However, Somani was also ignoring the friendly reminders being sent to him by e-mail, possibly because he had limited e-mail access. Things reached such a stage that AICCF finally decided to stop all the games of Somani treating them as lost. Another matter was that several players opted to play by post despite being e-mail users. The postal games were progressing at snails pace while those played by e-mail were getting over quickly. This is not a desirable feature in any competition.

Several of the postal games actually ended in claims being upheld though the concerned players were continuing other games, indicating that they were not out of the circuit. All in all, there were many games that were decided outside of actual play on the chessboard.

Our decision to opt for the next championship on webserver may be unfriendly for members without Internet access; however our survey indicates that the bulk of members would prefer to play on the webserver. This would bring in several benefits to the players and also to the AICCF management. The players would be freed of the irritation of postal delays and could concentrate on the quality of the game. They would be freed of the hassle of sending reminders, especially reminders by UPC requiring trips to the post office. The AICCF management would be freed of having to take difficult decisions on claims. In short, games would be decided on the chess board and not outside of it.

By now most of our members will be familiar with ICCF's webserver. Nevertheless, for the convenience of our readers we present below a list of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ):

### **I. What is CC Webserver?**

Webserver is a way of playing correspondence chess, where the players are presented with a simple graphical screen showing the position of the game where they can make their move by dragging a piece with the mouse. The software ensures that only legal moves can be made. To prevent unintended moves from being transmitted by mistake, the user is required to press a confirmatory button. All the clerical work of maintaining the game scores and time indications are automated on the server. These details are preserved after logout and always accessible later. The user does not have to maintain any time records.

You connect to the website <http://www.iccf-webchess.com>. After that the next step is to authenticate yourself by login (to ensure that someone else does not move the pieces on your behalf!). The login requirement is to provide your ICCF ID and Password. At the time when the tournament starts you will receive an e-mail in which your ICCF ID and password will be pro-

vided (you can change the password at any time). In case you forget your ICCF ID, the login screen has the possibility to click “If you forgot your ICCF ID, find it here”. If you forgot your password, that too will reach you by e-mail when you request it.

After successful login, you can click “Games list” which then takes you to the screen from where you can navigate to a particular game. If it is your turn, you can make your move. You can logout at any point with or without making moves.

## **2. Is there any online help or tutorial available?**

Yes. Its there on the sever website itself. It provides information in sufficient detail. You can start with the tutorial and then read all the individual help topics.

## **3. Do I require any special hardware or software? Do I need high speed internet? Can I use an Internet Café?**

No extra software or hardware is required beyond a computer connected to Internet. High speed internet access is not required. Any type of connection will do. You can easily send your moves from any Internet café.

## **4. What if my computer crashes or my internet service is not working?**

A computer crash or an internet problem at any point, including a sudden crash when you were in the process of sending a move, has no effect. It is equivalent to a logout. You can simply connect again. In case of a computer crash you can continue your games from another computer, from an Internet Café, from a friend’s computer or simply wait (if you have enough time) for the repair of your computer.

## **5. What if the ICCF Webserver goes down?**

Server crashes are very rare, but when it happens, the ICCF team attends to it very quickly. The time lost during the period when you were not able to transmit your move is credited back to you.

## **6. Can I take leave?**

Yes. Checkout “How to Book Holidays and Request Special Leaves” in online help.

## **7. What happens if I am traveling in India or abroad?**

Just use Internet from anywhere, your own laptop, an office computer, a cyber café. This is a great advantage with the webserver. You don’t even need to carry any record of your games.

## **8. Are there any computer security aspects or any other worries?**

Using the ICCF Webserver is as secure as any authenticated site and does not entail any additional security issues over normal internet usage. There are no programs to be downloaded and installed.

## **ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE 8TH AICCF CHAMPIONSHIP, 1508 (2009-10)**

1. The 8th AICCF Championship, 1508 will be a 15-player single game Round Robin tournament commencing around July 2009.
2. The Championship will be played on the ICCF Webserver. The rules and regulations of the ICCF Webserver will apply. The time limit will be 50 days per every 10 moves (a new rule of “time duplication” as mentioned by ICCF may also be applied — see p 46).
3. A suitable tournament director will be appointed as necessary, however the role of the TD is extremely limited and so it should be possible for one of the participating players to act as TD with the proviso that Special Leave applications will be granted only in consultation with the AICCF Management Committee.
4. The Entry Fee is Rs. 100/- for those qualifying on the basis of Rating or Seeding and Rs. 1200/- for donor entries.
5. To be eligible to play in this Championship, the player must be either a donor/life member or must have paid his subscription up to 31 December 2010. Applications along with the requisite fee and subscription (if not already paid) must be sent (preferably by Registered Post or courier) so as to reach the Hon. Secretary, Shri E.G. Meherhomji before 31 May 2009. In case you are not sure of being selected, it is possible to send your entry with an assurance that if selected, you will send the requisite fees within 1 week of being requested.
6. From the requests received, the top 12 players according to rating on 1 January 2009 (as published in this Bulletin and subject to any correction) will be selected. The Secretary will inform them and follow up by Registered Post if required.
7. The entry fee of Rs. 100/- will be refunded to those who send the fees but are not selected.
8. AICCF Champion, P.B. Dhanish is directly qualified to play in this championship and he can send his entry by 31 May 2009 along with the fee of Rs. 100/-. In case he does not opt to play, the next highest rated applicant will be selected.
9. Two places are reserved for donor entries. Donor/Life members or those who have paid the subscription up to 31 December 2010, can make an application to play as a donor entry by paying Rs. 1200/- to All India Correspondence Chess Federation latest by 31 May 2009. If more than 2 donor entry applications are received, 2 will be selected in the following order of preference: (a) Donor Member (b) Life Member (c) Rating as on



1 January 2009 (d) Draw of lots. The Secretary will refund Rs. 1200/- to applicants thus eliminated.

10. If there are less than 2 applications for Donor entries, the next eligible player(s) on the basis of Rating will be included.
11. If less than 15 players apply, such lesser number shall constitute the field.
12. The winner of this Championship will be seeded for the Championship starting after this Championship is over.
13. The games will be AICCF and ICCF rated. At the conclusion of the Championship, ties if any, will be resolved in the following order: (a) FIDE tie breaking system (b) Results of the tied players against each other (c) Player who has scored more wins (d) Players who scored more wins with Black pieces (e) Toss of coin.
14. Prospective players may point out any discrepancies in the above announcement and these will be corrected subsequently.

An informal e-mail was circulated among members to gauge the response for webserver-1508 and we received favorable responses from several players. However we are now making the formal announcement as above and you must send your willingness to participate by sending a Registered Letter/ Courier along with fees to Sh. E.G. Meherhomji.

## MEMBERSHIP

### 2 Years

Rs. 100/- + Entrance fee Rs. 50/-

### Life

Rs. 600/- + Entrance fee Rs. 50/-

### Donor

Rs. 1500/- + Entrance fee Rs. 50/-

Post DD/MO/Cheque to

**Sh. E.G. Meherhomji** (address on first page) in favour of **All India Correspondence Chess Federation**. (for outstation cheques add Rs. 50/-) In addition to the fees, please indicate the tournaments you wish to play in and send the same number of Tournament request forms (see inside back cover).

The tournaments are,

Type 'A': 7-player single game and

Type 'B': 4-player double-game

(both postal and e-mail). Details of special tournaments (such as Thematic Tournaments) are announced periodically.

### International Section

Rs. 320/- for 2 years or one time donation

Rs. 1550/-

## NRI/International Membership

### 2 Years

US\$ 10.00 + Entrance fee US\$ 5.00

### Life

US\$ 60.00 + Entrance fee US\$ 5.00

### Donor

US\$ 150.00 + Entrance fee US\$ 5.00

## International Section

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### ICCF President Resigns

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MED Samraoui, ICCF President and a friend of AICCF for long years and contributor to the AICCF Bulletin resigned from the post of ICCF President. We give below his resignation letter and our reply to him:

Dear friends,

With deep sadness I must inform you that I have taken the decision to resign from my function of ICCF President with immediate effect.

It was not easy to take such a decision, particularly after having served ICCF in various positions for 30 years. ICCF was my second family and I devoted the most part of my free time to Correspondence Chess. Thanks to ICCF I have had many friends all around the world, and ICCF Congresses were for me unforgettable moments where I could meet some of them and to share with them agreeable times.

As you may remember, since ICCF Congress in Benalmadena 2007, my life was affected by this tragedy and if I continued, it is only because several friends, the delegates and the members of ICCF Executive Board have brought me a strong support. Last year I was unable to attend ICCF Congress in Pleven and at the current date, I am not even sure if I could attend ICCF Congress in Leeds. During Congresses the President should conduct the debates, explain his plans and develop his strategy to Congress. Being absent is a handicap which I cannot tolerate.

Furthermore, health problems and frequent visits to hospitals have also reduced my free time. So in these conditions, I must be honest and must give a chance to another friend to continue to lead ICCF to the prosperity.

During the three last years, many realizations have been achieved. – ICCF server is permanently improved. – Finances are in the growth phase and totally under control, thanks to the great work made by Carlos Flores, Soeren Peschardt and Michael Millstone. – Several sponsors have been approached and are supporting ICCF activities, besides ChessBase and New in Chess, we have now signed agreements in 2008 and 2009 with Chesspublishing, Opening Master and Chess Informant; that means that our players will receive prizes in all major ICCF tournaments. Further contacts with other sponsors

are still in discussion. A big thank you to Eric Ruch and Gino Figlio for their efforts. – New events introduced since 2007, like Money Prize Tournaments, Rapid CC, Blitz CC, School events, Junior World Cup and Veteran World Cup attracted many new players and have been very successful. – Young and competent officials are very well integrated and I am very proud to have “talents” like Valer Demian as NTTTC, Marco Caressa who are doing a magnificent work to help the World Tournament Director.

Unfortunately I have had no time to implement all my promises, but I do hope that my successor will continue in the way already traced. I have also decided to stop my CC career and I am very fortunate that my last tournament was the Memorial Henk Mostert, a true friend of mine, who was an example for me because he was a person who believed strongly in ICCF motto “Amici sumus”.

Thanks to all the friends who supported me and my actions to develop ICCF and very sorry if my decision seems brutal or shocking.

Best regards and Amici sumus,

— MED SAMRAOUI

Dear Med,

It is with a heavy heart that I and other members from India have to wish you farewell from your long ICCF and CC career. It is impossible to forget your instrumental role in the organization of the Mumbai Congress, something that could never have taken place without your active role. You have achieved wonders after taking over as President, but you also achieved so much before that. It is unfortunate that you have to resign, but I can well understand the circumstances you refer to. On behalf of the All India Correspondence Chess Federation we wish you and your family all the best in life. I also request that even after your resignation you keep in touch with us from time to time.

Best regards,

— AMBAR

(Dr. Ambar Chatterjee on behalf of  
*All India Correspondence Chess Federation*)

## Sad Demise Of Two ICCF Stalwarts

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- Erik Larsson, one of the founders of ICCF, born 20-May-1915, died in Landskrona (Sweden) on 14-Feb-2009 aged 93.
- Prof Carlo Alberto Pagni of Italy, a CC historian, born 13-Feb-1931, died in Milan on 2-March-2009 aged 78.

### Friendly International Against Canada

Joe Deidun, Friendly Chess Match Coordinator for the Canadian Correspondence Chess Association approached us for a friendly chess match with Canada. Normally, it is 2 games per player, one as White and one as Black. Time Control in 10 moves in 50 days. Normal ICCF rules are used. A ten member team is set up from AICCF. The tournament is likely to start from 23rd March, 2009.

Board	Canada	ICCF#	CR	India	ICCF#	CR
1.	HRYNIW, Michael	90449	2243	Alok Saxena	280168	2208
2.	ROSENHEK, Marvin	90520	2174	P.S. Dabholkar	280120	2119
3.	WOLDMO, Asbjorn	90088	2085	Shams Khan	280180	2038
4.	BAKE, Doug	90235	2084	Pavan T. Kumar	280138	2021
5.	GIROUX, Marc	90528	1976	AVS Nambiar	New	2000
6.	BASQUE, Roland	90575	1971	J. Nagesh	280135	2000
7.	TAYLOR, Bob	90496	1938	K.L. Gala	280079	1907
8.	SADLER, Craig	90585	1864	Mohan Chandran	280127	1800
9.	FORTIN, Michel	90151	1666	Sailesh Chandra	New	1600
10.	THOMPSON, Edward			VASISHTA, S.	New	

ICCF# = ICCF ID Number, CR = ICCF Current Rating.

### 12th AfroAsia Zonal Champs Prelim Group E

The tournament was started on webserver from 25 January 2009. There is no end date. ICCF standard time control 10 moves in 50 days with duplication after 20 days is used. 30 days of leave per year are available to each player. Linear conditionals can be entered. Other participants and public can see all the games live delayed by 5 moves. This event is organized by Smuts, Iain E.

S.N.	ICCF#	Country	Name	Rating
1.	610222	ALG	Ould Ahmed, Samy	2344
2.	550156	RSA	Jurgens, John	2000*
3.	490184	TUR	Uygun, Ali	2055
4.	980025	AZE	Gasanov, Engels G.	2000*
5.	280168	IND	Saxena, Alok	2208
6.	850010	TUN	Labidi, Fehd	2139
7.	490272	TUR	Esen, C. Selçuk	2000*
8.	490179	TUR	Tatlicioglu, Engin	1938
9.	580150	JPN	Hasidume, Shuji	1849
10.	780058	HKG	Yeung, Chun Keung	1725

\* = Provisional, ICCF# = ICCF ID Number

Results in the above tournament:

Saxena, Alok - Yeung, Chun Keung 1-0  
 Jurgens, John - Saxena, Alok ½-½  
 Saxena, Alok - Uygun, Ali ½-½

### Various Qualifications

The following players from India have qualified for world championship stages:

ICCF#	NAME	Stage	ground	
280115	Anil Kumar, N. R.	SF	1.1.2.b From WCCC20CT04	Full
280176	Dhanish, P. B.	SF	2009 1.2.2.k rating over 2550	
280176	Dhanish, P. B.	SF	2006 1.2.2.d from WCCC30PR01	Full
280070	Prabhakar, Dr. Krishna	SF	1.1.2.c From WCCC23SF10	Full
280118	Santhosh, Matthew Paul	PR	2009 1.1.1.f IM over 2300	
280116	Satheesan, M.	PR	2009 1.1.1.e rating over 2500	

ICCF# = ICCF ID Number

The following players from India have qualified for Master norm tournament:

ICCF#	Title	Name	Qualified for	Rating
280176		Dhanish, P. B.	GMN	2559
280098		Nagaradjane, A. G.	MN	2387
280103		Neelakantan, N.	MN	2405
280178		Ravi, Prakash S. M.	MN	2407
280118	IM	Santhosh, Matthew Paul	MN	2344
280114		Saxena, Vaibhav	MN	2332
280107		Somani, Sunil K.	MN	2340

ICCF# = ICCF ID Number

### Friendly Match ICCF-FM/0812

The TD is Boger, Raymond. The start date was 8 December 2008. It is unrated.

1.	40167	BEL	Beth, Noel	2236
2.	280168	IND	Saxena, Alok	2208

**Results:**

Beth, Noel - Saxena, Alok	0-1
Saxena, Alok - Beth, Noel	0-1

### 11th Afro-Asia Zonal Championships Prelims Group C

**Results:**

Ikegami, Osamu - Saxena, Alok	0-1
Saxena, Alok - Besir, Erhan	1-0

### New tournament WS/O/251

S.N.	ICCF#	Country	Name	Rating
1.	280143	IND	Krishnamurthy, Prabhanandan	1976
2.	241253	ITA	Dugo, Ivanhoe	1800*
3.	864002	IOM	Ormsby, Alan	1800*

S.N.	ICCF#	Country	Name	Rating
4.	30520	AUS	Coburn, Andrew	1800*
5.	160749	ESP	Osuna Osuna, Francisco	1816
6.	211704	ENG	Pearce, Andrew	1784
7.	514179	USA	Dudley, Bruce	1619

\* = Provisional, ICCF# = ICCF ID Number

### Sweden – Rest Of The World

Saxena, Alok - Oinonen, Ari 1-0.

Oinonen, Ari - Saxena, Alok 0-1

### New tournament: Support for Africa I0

The TD is Bartsch, Andreas. J. Nagesh has entered in this tournament.

S.N.	ICCF#	Country	Name	Rating
1.	892003	CIV	Tchei, Roch	1821
2.	85860	GER	Weindel, Joshua	1800*
3.	160745	ESP	Jurado Pérez, Oliver	1822
4.	850020	TUN	Mer, Alain	1800*
5.	131178	CZE	Peroutík, Jirí	1834
6.	280135	IND	Nagesh, J.	1800*
7.	420661	GER	Garus, Edward	2096
8.	610165	ALG	Hannachi, Mounir	1800*
9.	810162	WLS	Roberts, David	1819

\* = Provisional, ICCF# = ICCF ID Number

### 3rd Webchess Open Tournament Prel. 20

Start Date: 20-05-2008

Pilipchuk, Andrey Vadimovich (RUS) - Gala, Khushal Laxmichand (IND)	1-0
Gala, Khushal Laxmichand (IND) - Miciak, Ing. Emanuel (SVK)	0-1
Kratochvíl, Jan (CZE) - Gala, Khushal Laxmichand (IND)	1-0
Gala, Khushal Laxmichand (IND) - Guevara i Pijoan, Josep (ESP)	½-½
Gala, Khushal Laxmichand (IND) - Salati, Paolo (ITA)	½-½
Hewett, Donald (USA) - Gala, Khushal Laxmichand (IND)	0-1
K.L.Gala finishes with 2/6	

A server update which contains the new time calculation rule as decided by Congress is in preparation. This new time calculation includes a time duplication after a number of days (20 by default). It is to be used for all tournaments with start date January 1st 2009 and later. (We are awaiting a full explanation about this rule from ICCF. – *Ed.*)

# ICCF Ratings

BY V.D. PANDIT



ICCF has published its January 2009 “Top 201” Rating List. Joop In this list, J van Osteram (NED) is at the top with a formidable rating of 2735 followed by Hans-Marcus Elwert (GER) with 2724 as a close second.

There are 129 GMs, 52 SMs, 8 IMs, and 12 Untitled players.

The list is dominated by the Europeans. GER leads with its, as many as, 42 players, followed by ITA 12, NED 10, RUS and CZE 9 each.

Latin America has put up a good show with 17 players, the break-up of which is: BRA 8, ARG 4, MEX, URU, CHI, COL and GUA one each.

On this background, the performance of the Indian sub-continent is poor with only one player in the List of Top 200. (PAK, SRI, BAN, and NEP are not even members of ICCF).

But do you know who that only player is?

He is our own P.B. Dhanish from Kerala who won, in 2008, the 7th National CC Chp of AICCF. His ICCF rating is 2557. He is untitled and stands a creditable 194th in the world! Dhanish has really made AICCF and India proud. Hope he acquires a CC title soon. Good luck and best wishes, Dhanish!

We append below the ICCF ratings of Indian Players as per latest list (2009/1).

ICCF ID	Title	Name	Games	Rating	Activity
280187		Akkaraju, Sailesh Chandra	30	1969	
280172		Anand, Anil Kumar	18	2025	
280115	SM	Anil Kumar, N. R.	172	1959	
280155		Apshankar, Kapil Shripad	19	1903	Inactive
280080		Bajpai, N. K.	50	2102	Inactive
280061		Banerji, R.	26	2053	Inactive
280086		Chandran, T.	42	2163	Inactive
280068		Chatterjee, Dr. Ambar	133	2292	
280087		Chauhan, Rakesh Kumar	95	2232	
280067		Chole, Vikrant H.	48	2074	Inactive
280122		Choudhuri, T. K.	24	2007	Inactive
280120		Dabholkar, Pandharinath Suryak.	86	2077	
280076		Dalvi, Prasad Mangesh	92	2298	
280088		De, Gautam	87	1980	Inactive

ICCF ID	Title Name	Games	Rating	Activity
280130	Devangshu, Datta	46	2277	
280176	Dhanish, P. B.	36	2557	
280179	Dutta Gupta, A.	26	2029	
280079	Gala, Khusal Laxmichand	68	1915	
280089	Ganapathi, Cdr R.	28	2315	Inactive
280182	Gupta, Aniruddha Dutta	17	2068	
280082	Gupta, Anuj	16	2010	Inactive
280096	Jadhav, Dinesh V.	15	1949	Inactive
280169	Jayaraman, Mohan	29	2119	
280123	Juneja, Madan Lal	24	2000	
280141	Kamat, Nikhil Nishikant	102	1995	
280180	Khan, Shams	47	2066	
280143	Krishnamurthy, Prabhanandan	54	1976	
280138	Kumar, Pavan Tumuluri	43	2042	
280085	Kumar, Prabhat R.	12	1932	
280097	Lakshminarayana, K. V.	15	2342	Inactive
280185	Lakyani, Mahendra	24	1956	
280077	Lhouvum, Kammang	135	1906	
280104	Mandviwala, Pervez Godrez	52	2181	
280124	Meherhomji, Eruch G.	43	1773	
280062	Mehta, Bikram	12	2158	Inactive
280078	Mohan, C. S.	58	2224	Inactive
280066	Mulla, Mehli Behram	19	2206	Inactive
280098	Nagaradjane, A. G.	129	2387	
280135	Nagesh, J.	12	1931	
280171	Nair, Umesh	19	1989	
280111	Namdeo, Hashich	16	2102	Inactive
280197	Naniwadekar, Mihir	14	1657	
280099	Nayak, Satya Sunder	15	2152	Inactive
280103	Neelakantan, N.	68	2405	
280109	Padhi, Prem Prakash	48	1702	
280162	Pandalai, N. Gopinathan	24	1504	
280071	Pandit, Vijay Dwarakanath	44	2131	Inactive
280091	Pathak, Pramodkumar Babubhai	14	2157	Inactive
280092	Patil, Abhijit Appasaheb	14	2244	Inactive
280070	Prabhakar, Dr. Krishna	135	2059	
280129	Ragajopalan, C. V.	12	1809	Inactive
280177	Ramaya, S. S.	14	2071	
280108	Rao, Dr. K. Sangmeshwara	74	2109	
280178	Ravi, Prakash S. M.	14	2407	
280081	Reddy, Mookiah	20	2145	
280069	Salgaocar, Sameer A.	118	1751	Inactive



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280117		Sandhu, Rajkamal Singh	14	1725	Inactive
280118	IM	Santhosh, Matthew Paul	132	2337	
280116		Satheesan, M.	28	2511	Inactive
280168		Saxena, Alok	53	2233	
280093		Saxena, Rakesh G. D.	28	2351	Inactive
280114		Saxena, Vaibhav	44	2303	
280102		Sharma, Manish Kumar	15	2227	Inactive
280188		Shetty, Vishwanath B.	12	2098	
280133		Shivdasani, Vijay A.	40	2149	
280107		Somani, Sunil K.	106	2340	
280094		Sukumaran, K. C.	65	1847	Inactive
280149		Surveyor, Dr. A. B.	14	2262	Inactive
280072		Trehan, Anirudh	39	2079	
280148		Tyagi, Dushyant	28	2248	
280100		Upadhyay, Satyendra	15	1881	Inactive
280101		Vaithianathan, V.	15	2340	Inactive
280095		Valsan, K.	29	2082	Inactive

## Results

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### TOURNAMENT RESULTS

1	means	won over
0	means	lost to
=	means	drew with
(both)	means	both the games
w/d	means	withdrew
nr	means	no result
n/s	means	non-starter

### Championship Tournaments

#### 1507

Neetakantan 1 Tyagi;  
Nagradjane 0 Dhanish & Prabhanandan;  
Neelakantan 0 Dhanish;  
Dabholkar = Neelakantan

#### 1802

A.De & Shalaka Somani 1 S.C. Hegde;  
S.C. Hegde & Rohan Saxena 1  
Meherhomji;

S.C. Hegde 0 Rohan Saxena

**1803**

Meherhomji 0 Dutt;  
Meherhomji 1 Sudhir;  
T.Chandran 0 Saxena A.;  
Pandavakrishna 1 Hrishikesh Chavan

**1804**

Nooka Raju Malla 1 Anil Anand;  
Anil Anand = Nooka Raju Malla

**1805**

V.K.Gupta 0 Bhupendra Kansara,  
Wahee & T.Mohanadasan;  
V.K.Gupta 1 Rashmi S. Somani;  
T.Mohanadasan 1 N.J.Dave

**4-Player Double-Game Tournaments**

**4297**

Meherhomji 1 Dutt

**4298**

Meherhomji 0 Wahee

**4300**

Meherhomji 0 Saxena A.

**4302**

Tyagi & Sudhir 0(both) H.P. Chole

**4306**

Meherhomji =(both) Pranab Bhowmick

**4307**

Sudhir & Dutt 1 Meherhomji;  
Meherhomji 1 Sudhir

**4308**

K.Babu w/d;

Rohan Saxena 1(both) Meherhomji

**4309**

Wahee 1(both) Sudhir

**4311**

S.C. Hegde 0 Rohan Saxena

**4312**

A.De 1 Meherhomji

**4314**

Mohan Jayaraman =(both) Shams Khan;  
Krishna V. Sindhe 0(both) Dr Nagaraj;  
Dr Nagaraj 0 Shams Khan

**7-Player Single-Game Tournaments**

**7289**

Meherhomji 0 Dutt

**7294**

H.P. Chole 1 Shams Khan

**7296**

Meherhomji 1 Gala;  
Dr Nagaraj 0 Meherhomji

**7297**

Pandavakrishna & Bansphore 1  
Meherhomji

**7298**

Dinakaran 0 H.P. Chole;  
Pranab Bhowmick = Meherhomji

**7300**

Rohan Saxena 1 Hrishikesh Chavan

**7302**

Samuel 1 Pandavakrishna

# Ratings

## The Top 24

1	Dhanish P.B.	1498
2	Chatterjee Dr.A.	1387
3	Satheesan M.	1383
4	Neelakantan N.	1371
5	Nagradjane A.G.	1353
6	Prabhanandan K.	1288
7	Dabholkar P.S.	1279
8	Saxena Vaibhav	1239

9	Gala K.L.	1215
10	Saxena A.	1197
11	Saxena RGD	1194
12	Nagaraj Dr.A.	1174
13	Anil Kumar N.R.	1158
14	Salgaocar S.A.	1158
15	Shivdasani Vijay	1142
16	Dalvi Prasad M.	1141

17	Reddy Mookiah	1133
18	Saxena Rohan	1131
19	De Ashutosh	1121
20	Wahee S.N.	1117
21	Chauhan R.K.	1112
22	Pandit Vijay D.	1107
23	Trehan Anirudh	1101
24	Bh'mick Pranab	1090

## Full Rating Table

Aaron Arvind	800
Agarwal Amol	647
Agarwal Avinash	436
Anil Anand	1087
Anil Kumar N.R.	1158
Anpazhakan S.	448
Avirah M.	615
Babu K.	676
Bajpai N.K.	862
Baksha Ansar K.	436
Bansphore Ajay K.	1044
Bhattacharjee	840
Bhave Milind N.	1050
Bhowmick Pranab	1090
Bhowmick Sgt. P.	931
Bobby V.S.	643
Bose Samir Kumar	800
Chandran Sailesh	904
Chandran Sgt MC	1050
Chandran T.	974
Chandrashekar	611
Channammanavar M.	800
Chatterjee B.	800
Chatterjee Dr A.	1387
Chatterjee Urmila	800
Chaudhuri Ajoy	800
Chaudhuri T.K.	625
Chauhan Rakesh K.	1112
Chavan Hrishikesh	933

Chole H.P.	1054
Chole Vikrant H.	919
Choudhari C.L.	500
Chouhan Hemendra	723
Dabholkar P.S.	1279
Dagaonkar Nagesh	685
Dalvi Prasad M.	1141
Das Barun	981
Dave Dinesh H.	769
Dave Dr N.J.	400
De Ashutosh	1121
De Gautam	1049
Deshpande Y.G.	495
Devlekar C.R.	632
Dey Debajit	736
Dhanish P.B.	1498
Dinakaran J.P.	923
Dutt B.S.	698
Fernandes S.A.	800
Gala K.L.	1215
Ganapathi Cdr R.	1077
Gaonkar V.G.	800
Gautam Parvesh	554
Gupta Abhisek	598
Gupta Anirudh D.	840
Gupta Vijay Kumar	435
Hegde Shripad C.	883
Hule Subhash M.	682
Hule Yamini M.	708

Iyer Preethi G.	662
Jadhav Dinesh V.	416
Jain Suresh	723
Jaiswal Shesh R.	717
Jamindar Peeyush	612
Jayaraman Mohan	902
Joy Kumar Vineet	670
Joy P.O.	522
Juneja Madan Lal	497
Kalsekar A.G.	800
Kamat Nikhil	762
Kanishka T.N.	889
Kansara Bhupendra	806
Kapoor Dr R.K.	732
Kapoor Lalit	475
Khan Shams	929
Kini Harish	400
Kishore G.P.P.	596
Kulkarni Ajit	800
Kulkarni Mahesh G	659
Kulkarni S.P.	747
Kumar Awani	1021
Kumar K.Shiva	522
Kumar P.R.	400
Kumar Pavan T.	863
Kumar Rabindra	577
Kumar Shirish	704
Lakshminarayana	962
Lhouvum Kammang	785

Malla Nooka Raju	892	Paul Santhosh M.	990	Shetty V.B.	1009
Mandviwala Pervez	873	Pinge Shankar	667	Shivdasani Vijay	1142
Manoj Kumar P.K.	939	Prabhakar Krishna	1015	Shukla N.P.	415
Meherhomji E.G.	813	Prabhanandan K.	1288	Sindhe Krishna V.	938
Mehta Bikram	590	Prasad Krishna M.	609	Singh Er Baldev	737
Mishra Ashutosh	800	Rajesh K.	920	Singh Jatinder	524
Mistry Yezad K.	471	Ramakrishna P.	681	Singhai Vikas	749
Miyani Ketan P.	708	Ramamurthi K.V.S.	677	Sirohi Narendra	400
Modak Deodutta M.	893	Raman R.	544	Somani Km Shalaka	991
Mody Suresh M.	772	Ramaya Selvi S.	973	Somani Smt Rashmi	914
Mohamed M.K.	926	Randeria V.S.	459	Somani Sunil K.	1068
Mohan C.S.	668	Rao Dr D.R.K.S	696	Soni Vikrant V.	693
Mohanadasan	806	Rao E. Vijay Ravi	797	Srinath T.	865
Mohanakrishnan B.	800	Ravi Prakash S.M.	985	Subba Raju S.	666
Morewekar M.R.	754	Reddy Mookiah	1133	Sudhir N.	800
Mukherjee T.K.	400	Rekh Ketan S.	400	Sukumaran K.C.	780
Mulla Mehli B.	800	Ril Kishore G.	803	Sundararajan S.	400
Murali R.C.	771	Sadashiva V.	863	Surveyor Dr A.B.	1011
Murugesh V.	800	Saijare Ravindra	800	Talukdar Gaurav	699
Nagaraj Dr A.	1174	Salathia H.S.	478	Tendulkar Manali	625
Nagesh Havanur	800	Salgaocar S.A.	1158	Thakkar Mudit	804
Nagesh J.	400	Samuel V.	485	Thakur G.S.	922
Nagradjane A.G.	1353	Saravanan K.S.	736	Thangkhiew G.	799
Nambiar A.V.S.	488	Sarkar D.	1031	Theza K.L.Keerthi	513
Nambiar Vivek	599	Sarkar Shyamal	765	Torvekar G.P.	400
Nayak Satya S.	423	Sarma Akash Das	1031	Trehan Anirudh	1101
Neelakantan N.	1371	Sarma Anish Das	913	Trivedi Kalapi B.	400
Niranjan M.V.	657	Sarma Atish Das	991	Tyagi D.	977
Nishanth H.M.	400	Sastry K.V.S.	533	Umashankar Cpl N.	522
Pable Kum. Amisha	528	Satheesan M.	1383	Umesh Nair	978
Padhi Prem P.	400	Saxena A.	1197	Unni C.S.	585
Padsha Sayed	875	Saxena Rakesh GD	1194	Vaidya Piyush H.	627
Pai Dr. Dinkar	746	Saxena Rohan	1131	Vaishnav S.K.	800
Palaniappan S.	752	Saxena Vaibhav	1239	Vaisishta S.	800
Pandalai N.G.	400	Semeel V.S.	680	Valsan K.	494
Pandavakrishna Y.	1059	Senthilnathan S.	628	Venugopalan C.	646
Pandit Vijay D.	1107	Sharang M.S.	800	Virwani Ajay	597
Pathak Pramod B.	954	Sharma M.P.	654	Vyas Nilesh J.	888
Patil Abhijit A.	907	Sharma Vinod	885	Wahee S.N.	1117

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