OAKLAND CHESS CLUB

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Craig Barnes, Editor

New club officers were elected in August. They are replacing Ted Anderson, Richard Lee, Raymond Ng, Martin Morrison and Elwin Meyers, who all resigned in order to get new blood into the club.

The new officers are:

Michael Weber, President
Jerry Gerhardt, Secretary
Steve Quen, Treasurer
Charles Maddigan) Tournament
Gary Weber) directors
Craig Barnes, Publicity Dir.

More over-the-board activities are planned in the future. These include weekly rapid-transit tournaments, a rapids ladder, 30-30 tournaments, and handicap tournaments. In addition the club will be sponsoring it's 5th Annual Bay Area Amateur Open USCF tournament on 19-20 December. Club members should feel free to contact their officers if they have any comments, questions or suggestions.

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The 1970 Oakland Chess Club championship was completed on 25 September with David Forthoffer winning convincingly for the third consecutive year. This year the championship consisted of a 5-round Swiss-system tournament with the top four finishers to play a round-robin playoff to determine the final winner. Forthoffer, Ray Ng, Charles Maddigan, and John Wallan were the qualifiers, the latter two on tie-break.

In addition to the main event, there was a seperate Junior section which was won by Dennis Fung. Bothevents were directed by Charles Maddigan and Steve Quen. Trophies or books will be awarded to prizewinners.

Open Section

1	D. Forthoffer	7½-½	First
2	R. Ng	6-2	Second
3	C. Maddigan	4½-3½	1st A
4	J. Wallan	4-4	2nd A
5	R. Alexander	3½-1½	1st B
6	C. Barnes	3½-1½	2nd B
7	S. Quen	3-2	1st Jun.
8	G. Kobliska	3-2	3rd B
9	M. Costa	3-2	2nd Jun.
10	R. Hansen	2½-2½	3rd A
11	M. Smitherman	2½-2½	4th B
12	M. Despot	2½-2½	
13	R. Lee	2½-2½	
14	F. Warren	2-3	
15	R. Cuneo	2-3	4th A
16	G. Mehta	2-3	
17	M. Weber	2-3	
18	L. Soto	2-3	1st C
19	L. Choy	2-3	2nd C
20	R. Connoly	1-4	3rd C
21	J. Kasprik	1-4	
22	M. Lee	0	
23	R. Blauner	0	
24	W. Sprague	0	

Junior Section

1	Dennis Fung	5-0
2	Herman Wong	4-1
3	Andrew Som	3-2
4	Tim Fung	2-3
5	Sam Palmatier	1-4
6	Ron Wong	0-5

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The Oakland 'B' team won first place on tie-break in the 1970 CCCA USCF Summer league, Division II. Due to a number of withdrawals and lack of communication, only one match was actually played, which was Oakland 'B' 4; Concord 0.

Three teams from Oakland are entered in the CCCA's 1970-71 Winter league; two are USCF, one Independent. Two teams are also playing in the CFNC Winter league.

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BE SURE TO MARK THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR

18 December 1970 Annual Christmas Party---cake, refreshments... drawing for prizes...5-minute competition- and more! Free to all club members.

19-20 December Oakland Chess Club's 5th Annual Bay Area Amateur USCF Open tournament---See officers or circular for information.

25 December, 1January 1971 Club will be closed for holidays. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

8 January Start of Handicap tournaments---See Charles Maddigan... 30-30 tournaments planned for future...

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We will begin to start publishing tournament results of club members who have played in tournaments, as well as league results. A system of awarding points to club members for tournament participation may be initiated, the one with the most points to receive a prize. There are numerous local events as well as national tournaments in which one may play in. For information on these events see Chess Voice, Chess in Action or watch for notices in the club.

We would also like to obtain games of members for publication in En Passant. If you have any games that are interesting, instructive or even brilliant, by all means turn them in to the Editor. Any games, positions or news items for En Passant will be appreciated.

(We apoligize for the lateness in reporting some of the items due to the changeover in officers; However we should be getting things moving smoothly now. Offer your help to your club).

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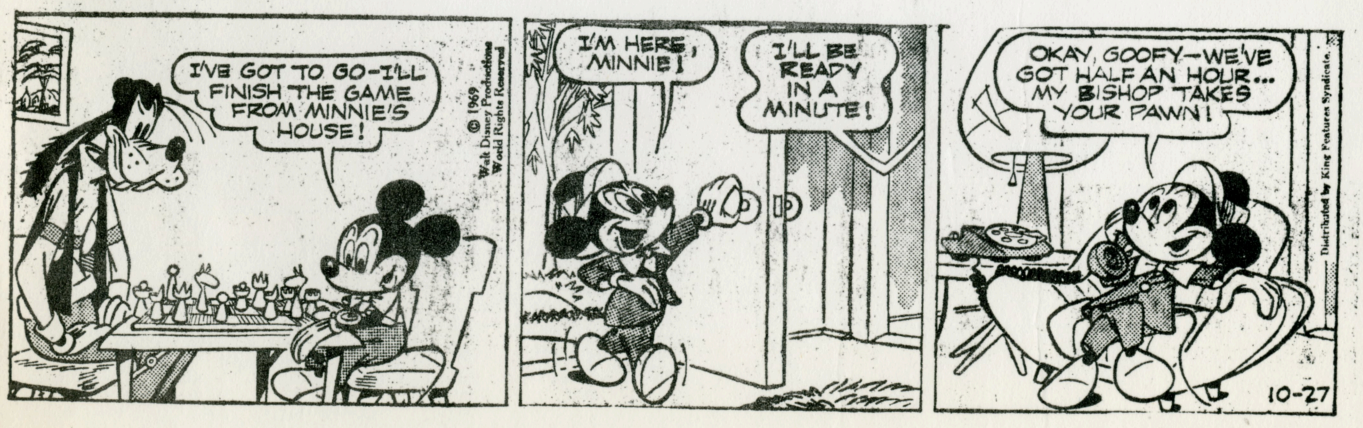
Mickey Mouse



Games From The 1970 Oakland Chess Club Championship

WHITE: David Forthoffer
BLACK: Craig Barnes

Round 5 — Queen Pawn

1	P-Q4	N-KB3
2	N-KB3	P-B4
3	P-K3	P-KN3
4	B-Q3	B-N2
5	P-B3	P-Q4
6	PxP?!	P-QR4
7	P-QR4	B-N5
8	P-N4	N-B3
9	Q-N3	BxN
10	PxB	P-K4
11	B-K2	P-K5
12	P-KB4	PxP
13	PxP	P-Q5
14	N-Q2	PxP
15	PxP	N-Q4
16	NxP?!	Q-R5ch
17	K-B1	0-0
18	QxN	BxR
19	P-N5	N-Q1
20	Q-R2	B-N2
21	P-R5	N-K3
22	K-N2	Q-K2
23	P-B6	PxP
24	P-N6	Q-N5!
25	B-Q2!	QxNch
26	B-B3	Q-Q6
27	BxP	QR-B1(?)
28	Q-Q5	QxQ(?)
29	BxQ	KR-Q1
30	P-N7	R-B7
31	R-Q1	RxB
32	P-R7	R/4xBch
33	RxR	RxRch
34	K-B3	Resigns

WHITE: David Forthoffer
BLACK: John Wallan

Finals — Queen's Gambit Accepted

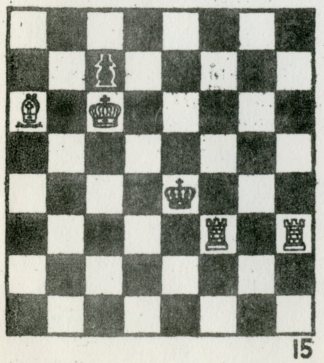
1	P-Q4	P-Q4
2	P-QB4	PxP
3	N-KB3	N-KB3
4	P-K3	P-K3
5	BxP	P-B4
6	0-0	P-QR3
7	Q-K2	P-QN4
8	B-Q3	PxP
9	PxP	N-B3
10	N-B3	N-QN5
11	B-N1	B-N2
12	P-QR4	PxP
13	RxP	N5-Q4
14	B-Q3	Q-N3
15	B-Q2	B-Q3
16	KR-R1	N-B2
17	N-K5	0-0
18	B-KN5	KN-Q4
19	NxN	NxN
20	N-Q7	Q-B3
21	Q-K4	P-B4
22	QxPch	K-R1
23	NxR	R-K1
24	QxP	N-B3
25	P-Q5	Resigns

WHITE: Craig Barnes
BLACK: RAy Cuneo

Round 2 — Sicilian Defense

1	P-K4	P-QB4
2	N-KB3	P-Q3
3	P-Q4	PxP
4	NxP	N-KB3
5	N-QB3	N-B3
6	B-QB4	Q-N3
7	KN-K2	P-K3
8	B-N3	B-K2
9	B-K3	Q-R4
10	0-0	0-0
11	N-N3	B-Q2
12	P-B4	QR-Q1
13	Q-B3	P-QN4
14	P-QR3	P-QR3
15	KN-K2	Q-B2
16	P-N4	N-QR4
17	P-N5	N-K1
18	P-B5	NxB
19	PxN	P-B3
20	P-N6	PxP
21	PxP	P-B4
22	Q-R3	N-B3
23	PxP	B-K1
24	B-Q4	PxP
25	N-Q5	Resigns

PROBLEM
By Ernest Zepler, Germany



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White to play and mate in three moves.

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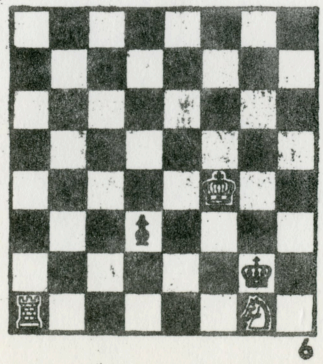

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White to play and mate in four moves.

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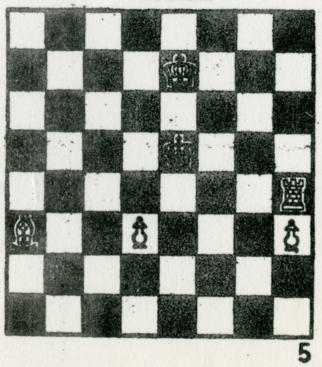

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White to play and mate in five moves.