chess



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TOURNAMENT RESULTS The Berkeley YMCA hosted 130 chessplayers competing in the combined CFNC Open Championships and Junior Playoff Tournament, directed by George Koltanowski and Jerry Long, Feb. 3-4. Complete results:

CFNC OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS Master/Expert Division

- 1. James Ulrich, Berkeley, 41/2, \$50 plus trophy plus title plus invitation to play in the California State Championships with entry fee and expenses paid by CFNC.
 - 2. John Blackstone, Saratoga, 4, \$30.
 - 3. Steven Spencer, Berkeley, 4, \$30.

Class A

- Ken Yamamoto, San Rafael, 41/2, \$25 plus trophy. 1.
- 2. Mark Watson, Berkeley, 4, Plaque.

Class B

- 1. Henry Miller, Berkeley, 4½, \$20 plus trophy.
- Earl Ipsen, San Francisco, 4, Plaque.

Class C

- 1. Bruce Lamon, Berkeley, 41/2, \$15 plus trophy.
- 2. Harry Radke, San Jose, 4, Plaque.

JUNIOR PLAYOFF TOURNAMENT Section I

- David Amkraut, Palo Alto 4, trophy.
- Van Fong, Hayward, 31/2, Certificate.
- Fred Crosby, Hayward, 31/2, Certificate.

Section II

- 1. Jay Spingarn, Sunnyvale, 41/2, trophy.
- 2. Ridgely Schneider, Redwood City, 31/2, Certificate.
- 3. Bill Clipson, Concord, 31/2, Certificate.

Section III

- 1. David Glanville, Oakland, 5, trophy.
- 2. Eden Lee, Oakland, 31/2, Certificate.
- 3. James Shearer, Livermore, 3, Certificate.

An excellent specimen of forceful chess from the Master/ Expert Division was played by John Blackstone, who dispatched his foe with all the efficiency of a lord high executioner.

White: Bob Anderson. Black: John Blackstone.

Sicilian Defense

(a) U.S. champion Bobby Fischer frequently offers the
KP in this position with 8 0-0. After 2P-N5 9 N-R4 NxP
10 R-K1 White has good play for the Pawn. A sound alter-
native, however, is 8B-K2 9 P-KB4 0-0 10 P-QR3 B-N2
11 P-55 P-K4 12 N/4-K2 QN-Q2 13 N-N3 N-B4 14 B-Q5
BxB 15 FxB R-B1 (Kotkov-Polugaevsky, Voronezh, 1959).
(b) Black now takes over completely. Only 10 N-N1
with N-Q2 to follow keeps the game under control.
(c) Coolly continuing the attack on White's vulnerable
Knight. An attempt to win a Pawn with 12NxP runs up
against 13 BxB KxB 14 NxP!
(d) White must threaten something to stay alive.
(te) And not 15 BxP? 16 Q-B5.
(f) White is under terrific pressure.
(g) Winning a second Pawn and preparing the final
assault.
(h) White's last chance — such as it is — resides in
22 Q-R3, after which Black cinches the win by simply trading
down and pushing Pawns.
(i) Or 24 K-B1 (24 K-B3 BxNch 25 KxP Q-K4ch)
Q-B5ch 25 Q-B3 (25 K-K1 Q-B7ch 26 K-Q2 QxNch

27 K-B! B-N4ch 28 R-Q2 Q-K8mate) N-R7ch.

Black's powerful Bishops and extra Pawns ensure

P-QB4

N-KB3

P-QR3

P-QN4

B-K2

P-N5

8-02

Q-R4

0.0 (c)

QxPch iei

B-QN4

PXP

BxB

P--K3

P-Q3

PXP

P-K4

P-01

N-QB3

B--QB4

B-N3

Q-34

P-84

PXP N-K2

easy victory.

9 Q-K2

B-N5 (a)

N-R4 (b)

P-K5 (d)

2 N-KB3

NxP

3

4

5

6

7

3

,10

11

12

13

14 BXN

15

16

P-KR4

GR-GI

RxR .

N--K4

N-N5ch

B-RSch

R-Qich

QxQ

NxN

RXB

N-B7

RxPch

N-83 (f)

QxRP (g)

17 Q-N4

18

19

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22

23

24

25

26

27 PxQ

23

29 PXN

30

31

• 21

Q-B3

K-52

RXR

Q-R3

K-K1

K-Q2

N-Q3

R-KN1

K-B2

Resigns (j)

QR -- Q1

N-85 (h)

(i)