

Wilshire Chess Society Newsletter



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Hyne and Pennucci tie for first in 2002 WCS Blitz Championship!

At our second annual WCS Blitz Championship, Carl Hyne and Bill Pennucci tied for First Place with 10 pts. out of 14. On the right is the photo of them playing for the trophy. (Actually, we didn't have a trophy, but the crowd just wanted to see the two co-winners have a play-off. Hyne won a tense game with a backrank mate!)



Carl Hyne

Co-Champions



Bill Pennucci



Hyne vs. Pennucci during playoff as Julian Landaw (with hands in pockets) and Max Lemkin (on right) look on.



Rami Furman (left) and Sean McMillan (right) tied for second place.



David Bassett vs. Yuliy Sheynberg

Thanks to everyone who participated.
See you January 27! - Michael



Elliot Landaw helped direct the tournament while his kids (Max & Julian) played.



Yuliy Sheynberg, who is rated 2354, was a special surprise guest. While the tournament's top seed was only able to tie for third, his life time record against Korchnoi is 6 draws!

Next W.C.S. G/45 Tournament January 27, 2002 - Sunday

Westside Pavilion, Community Room "C"
10850 W. Pico Blvd., West Los Angeles
(3rd Flr., West of Barnes & Noble, next to the SPCA pet adoption center)

Registration 10:30 am

Games from 11:00 - 4:30pm (approximately)
3-rounds, round robin quads by rating

Time control: G/45 mins. Entry fee: \$15.00
Prizes: \$35.00 per quad (25.00 1st, 10.00 2nd)
(WCS Membership required, \$12.00/year as well as U.S.C.F. Membership
(Avail. at site for \$40.00 per year).

Wilshire Chess Society Blitz Championship Photos (Con't)



Richard Henderson



Yves Gaume



Alfredo Con



Bobby Hall



Carl Hyne vs. Julian Landaw



Max Landaw



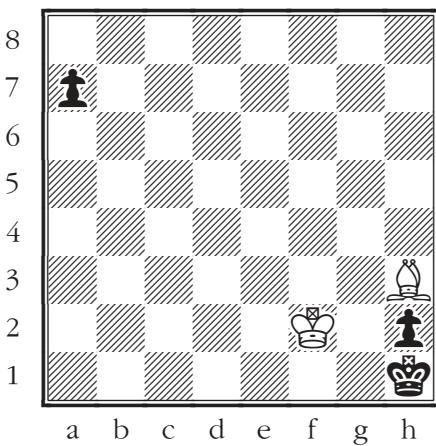
Alfredo Con vs. Emerson Lamery

After the tournament, Bobby Hall set up the position below and asked Carl Hyne and myself if, with Black to move, he could just let his time run out and claim a draw (The reason Black would want to do this is because his only legal move is the a pawn to either a6 or a5, which would then allow White to play Bg2#). Since everyone knows that a King and a Bishop don't constitute mating material, does Black have a case? In other words, you are the T.D., and you get called over to this board. Black's flag is down and he is claiming a draw saying that White does not have mating material. White however, is arguing that he does have mating material in that he can give mate next move and should be awarded the win! How do you rule?



Jonathon Hanish

(FYI: The 3 of us argued this one over for 25 minutes!) You can either look it up in the USCF rulebook (yes, it's in there), or wait until next month when I'll give the correct answer.



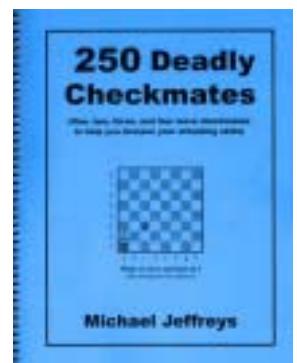
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(Draw or White Win? You Make the Call!)**

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