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BISGUIER, CHASE TIE IN FRAMINGHAM OPEN; BORIS SPASSKY DELIGHTS CROWDS AT FRAMINGHAM LECTURE AND EXHIBITION

Grandmaster Arthur Bisguier of New Windsor, NY and Chris Chase of Somerville scored 3 1/2-1/2 to share first place in the 2nd Annual Framingham Open, September 29-30. Bisguier downed Joseph Shipman of Waltham in Round 1, had to hold off a determined assualt by 12-year old Master Ilya Gurevich of Worcester in Round 2, defeated FIDE Master Boris Belopolsky of Brookline in Round 3, and settled for a perfunctory draw with Chase in the final round to clinch his share of first. Chase meanwhile had defeated Larry Schmitt of Milton and Randy Hough of the US Chess Federation national office on Saturday, and on Sunday downed many-time Massachusetts champion John Curdo of North Billerica in Round 3. Curdo arrived late, mistaking the round time, and found the 50-minute handicap too much to overcome. Curdo, Belopolsky, and Gurevich shared third in the 27-player Open section.

Mike Lauziere of Oxford dominated the Premier (under 2050) section, scoring 4-0, ahead of Edward Boudrot of Cambridge, and Kenneth Kemp. The Classic (under 1800) prizes were shared by Alex Sadowsky of Framingham and Gerald Levy of Peabody. Top honors in the 31-player Amateur (under 1550) section went to Mark Dubnoff and unrated Benjamin Sloss, both of Newton, while George Gillan of Quincy scored 4-0 to win the Novice (under 1350) section.

A special prize for best-played game went to Gurevich for his third-round win over Ken Mann of Beacon, NY. Jim Anderson of Quincy and Curdo received honorable mentions. Warren Pinches and Tom Zuppa directed the 101-player event for the sponsoring Framingham Chess Club.

Former World Chess Champion Grandmaster Boris Spassky, visiting the US to appear on the PBS television coverage of the current Karpov-Kasparov World Championship match, arrived at the conclusion of the tournament for a two-hour lecture and a 29-board simultaneous exhibition. The audience in the packed lecture hall was enchanted by Spassky's account of his own career and discussion (and impersonation!) of the many chess greats with whom he has crossed swords. Spassky also analysed in depth the most recent game from the World Championship match. In the simultaneous exhibition, Spassky lost only to John Stopa of Cambridge, conceded draws to Jack Young of Marlboro, Rolf Wetzell of Nagog Woods, and Russell Pollitz of Natick, and won the remaining 25 games. Spassky's visit was sponsored by the Billerica and Framingham Chess Clubs.

GAMES FROM THE FRAMINGHAM OPEN, SEPTEMBER 29-30, 1984

Charles Braun (2342) vs. Jim Anderson (2087), Round 1--Ruy Lopez First Honorable Mention, Best-Played Game

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 Bc5 4 c3 f5 5 Bxc6dxc6 6 Nxe5 Bd6 7 Qh5+ g6 8 Nxg6 Nf6 9 Qh4 Rg8 10 e5 Rxg6 11 exf6 Be6 12 d4 Rxg2 13 Qh5+ Rg6 14 f7+ Bxf7 15 Qxf5 Re6+ 16 Be3 Qh4 17 Kd2 Rf6 18 Re1 Kf8 19 Qd3 Re8 20 Rf1 Qxh2 21 Kf1 Bg6 22 Qd1 Bh5 23 Qd3 Bg5 24 Qd1 Bh5 25 Qd3 Be2 26 Qxe2 Rxe3 27 Qd1 Rxf2 28 Nd2 Bc5 29 Rh1 Rxd2 0-1

Arthur Bisguier (2520) vs Ilya Gurevich (2216), Round 2--King's Indian Defense

1 P-Q4 N-KB3 2 P-QB4 P-KN3 3 N-QB3 B-N2 4 P-K4 P-Q3 5 B-N5 C-O 6 Q-Q2 QN-Q2 7 B-Q3 P-B4 8 P-Q5 P-K3 9 PxP PxP 10 P-B4 P-KR3 11 B-R4 P-K4 (a) 12 P-B5 PxP 13 PxP Q-K1 14 O-O-O (b) P-Q4 15 PxP P-QR3 16 N-B3 P-QN4 17 KR-K1 P-B5 18 B-QB2 P-N5 19 N-K4 NxN 20 RxN P-N6 21 B-N1 PxP 22 BxP R-N1 23 RxBP P-K5 24 P-Q6 K-R1 25 N-Q4 N-K4 (c) 25 P-B6 NxR (d) 27 BxN B-N5 (e) 28 PxBch KxP 29 B-K7 R-KR1 (f) 30 Q-B3 K-R2 31 R-B1 R-QB1 32 R-B7ch QxR (g) 33 BxQ RxQch 34 PxR 1-O (h)

Notes by Bisguier: (a) If 11...NxKP, 12 BxQ NxQ 13 B-K7 R-K1 14 BxQP. (b) Unclear is 14 N-N5 P-K5 and 15...Q-R4 after either 15 NxQP or N-B7. (c) White counted on this to allow the winning stroke, 26 P-36. (d) Now 26...N-Q6ch 27 K-N1 RxPch 28 QxR NxQ 29 PxBch and 30 KxN is an easy win for White. (e) Of course not 27...BxP 28 QxPmate. (f) If 29...BxR 30 N-K6ch. (g) If 32...K-N3 33 R-N7ch KxR (33...K-R5 34 N-K2 with 35 N-N3 or N-B4, mate) 34 N-B5ch K-N3 35 Q-B6ch K-R4 36 N-N3mate. (h) White's easiest win is B-K6, and the QP wins the rook.

Lou Mercuri (2214) vs. John Curdo (2462), Round 2--Ruy Lopez Second Honorable Mention, Best-Played Game

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Ba4 d6 5 Bxc6+ bxc6 6 d4 exd4 7 Nxd4 Ne7 8 Bg5 f6 9 Be3 c5 10 Ne2 Ng6 11 Nbc3 Be7 12 Ng3 Rb8 13 b3 0-0 14 0-0 Nh4 15 f4 f5 16 e5 Bb7 17 exd6 Qxd6 18 Qxd6 cxd6 19 Rf2 Bf6 20 Nge2 Rfe8 21 Bd2 Nxg2 22 Rd1 Nh4 23 Bc1 Nf3+ 24 Kf1 Nd4 25 Rd3 Nxc2 26 Nd5 Bd4 0-1

John Curdo (2462) vs. Chris Chase (2331), Round 3--Pirc Defense

1 e4 g6 2 d4 Bg7 3 Nc3 d6 4 f4 Nf6 5 Nf3 O-O 6 e5 dxe5 7 fxe5 Nd4 8 Bc4 Nxc3 9 bxc3 Nc6 10 O-O Na5 11 Bd3 c5 12 Qe2 Nc6 13 Be3 Bg4 14 Qf2 Bxf3 15 gxf3 Qa5 16 f4 Qxc3 17 dxc5 f6 18 exf6 Bxf6 19 Rab1 Bd4 20 Rxb7 Qxc5 21 Rb5 Qd6 22 Bxd4 Nxd4 23 Rg5 Kh8 24 Qe3 Rf6 25 Qe5 Ne6 26 Qxd6 exd6 27 Ra5 Nf4 28 Be4 Re8 29 Bf2 Re7 30 Ra6 g5 31 Rd1 g4 32 Bxg4 Rg6 33 h3 Nxh3 34 Kg2 Re3 35 Rad6 Rg4+ 36 Kh2 Nf4 37 Rd8+ Kg7 38 R8d7+ Kg6 39 R8d6 Kf5 O-1

Ilya Gurevich (2216) vs. Ken Mann (2121), Round 3--Ruy Lopez Best-Played Game Award

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Ba4 f5 5 d4 exd4 6 e5 Bc5 7 c3 d3 (a) 8 Qxd3 d5 9 Bg5 Nge7 10 Nbd2 b5 (b) 11 Bc2 0-0 12 Nb3 Bb6 13 0-0-0 (c) Bxf2 14 Rhf1 Bb6 15 g4 Qe8 16 Bxe7 Nxe7 17 Nbd4 (d) c5 18 Nxf5 Bxf5 (e) 19 gxf5 c4 20 Qd2 Nxf5 21 Qxd5+ Kh3 22 e6 Ne3 23 Qe4 Qh5 (f) 24 e7 Rfe8 25 Ne5 Nxf1 (g) 26 Rxf1 Rab8 27 Nf7+ Kg8 28 Qe5 Bc5 29 Nd8+ Kh8 30 Rf8+ Rxf8 31 exf8=Q Bxf8 32 Nf7+ 1-0

Notes by Gurevich and Mann: (a) 7...dxc3 8 Nxc3 Nge7 9 Bb3 d5 =. (b) 11 Nb3 with the idea of Nd4 is strong and must be stopped. (c) 13 Nbd4 Bxd4 14 cxd4 Nb4. (d) 17 Nh4 g6. (e) 18...Nxf5 19 gxf5 Bxf5 20 Qxd5+ Be6 (20...Qe6 21 Qxe6+ Bxe6 22 Rdg7) 21 Bxh7+. (f) 23...Nxc2 24 Kxc2 Rf6 25 Ng5 Qg6 26 e7 Re8 27 Qxg6 hxg6 28 Rxf6 gxf6 29 Rd8! (g) 25...Nxc2 or Nxd1, 26 Qxa8!