

CHESSWATCH

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CLUB MEMBERS HONE SKILLS FOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Tuesday, April 14 is circled on most club members' calendars: it is the date of Round One of the 1987 Framingham Chess Club Championship. Traditionally one of the strongest and most popular club events, the six-round, single-section Swiss gives every club member a direct shot at the club title. Upsets have been rife as no champion has yet succeeded in repeating: in 1984 Larry Williams copped the top spot, while in 1985 Drew Sarkisian and Alejandro Beltran finished as co-champions, and in 1986 David Drumm won a playoff over Sarkisian and Michael Bienenstock for the title. To maximize members' opportunity to play, the club's policy on half-point byes has been liberalized: two half-point byes can be taken in any of the first five rounds. In another change, the tournament is being opened to non-members, though the title and championship trophy will be reserved for club members. So you have no excuse--come and contend for the club's top title in 1987!

EVANS RETURNS TO TRIUMPH;

KONING AND McALLISTER SWEEP IN OCTO

One of the club's top tournament players in 1983-84, Craig Evans of Bellingham returned after a two-year absence to win the top section of the February Octagonal ending February 24. Evans started the tournament late but defeated Bob Jordan of West Upton and Jorge Godoy of Framingham to clinch solitary first. Godoy, James Matthews of Dedham, and David Ferreira of Watertown tied at 2-1; Matthews could not play the final round while Ferreira lost to Godoy. Meanwhile Menno Koning of

CALENDAR

April 7-8 (Tuesday-Wednesday): TEAM MATCH AGAINST THE WACUSETT CHESS CLUB OF FITCHBURG. Round 1 in Framingham Tuesday, Round 2 in Fitchburg Wednesday.

April 14, 21, 28; May 5, 12, 19 (Tuesdays): 1987 FRAMINGHAM CHESS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP. 6-SS in one section. Open, but only club members eligible for title/trophy. EF: \$10. Title, trophy, and \$50 to 1st; 2nd \$25; 1st Under-1800 \$40; 1st Under-1400 \$30. Prize fund will be increased as entries permit. Two half-point byes available in first five rounds. Register by 7:15 on 4/14.

April 26 (Sunday): CIVILIZED SWISS #2. See tournament flyer for details.

April 26 (Sunday): UNRATED INTRODUCTORY TOURNAMENT. 3-SS; TL 60/SD. EF: FCC members \$3; others \$5. Trophy or USCF membership to 1st. Entry restricted to rated under 1200 or unrated.

May 26 (Tuesday): TEAM MATCH to be announced.

June 6-7 (Saturday-Sunday): WEST SUB-URBAN SUMMER GRAND PRIX. A major regional tournament in four sections. See tournament flyer. Note change in date from mid-July.

June 2, 9, 16 (Tuesdays): FRAMINGHAM JUNE QUADS. 3-RR in 4-player sections. EF: FCC members \$5; others \$7. 1st \$15 each section

FRAMINGHAM FEBRUARY OCTAGONAL--FEBRUARY 10-24

1 Craig Evans	Bellingham	1944	½B	W8	W4	2½
2 James Matthews	Dedham	1954	W8	W6	---	2
3 David Ferreira	Watertown	1942	W5	L4	W6	2
4 Jorge Godoy	Framingham	1870	WF	W3	L2	2
5 Mike LeBlanc	Westboro	1816	L3	W7	W8	2
6 Joe Pineau	Natick	1923	W7	L2	L3	1
7 Ralph Schinzel	Holliston	1766	L6	L5	Bye	1
8 Bob Jordan	West Upton	1876	L2	L1	L5	0
1 Menno Koning	Dover	1685	W8	W2	W5	3
2 Frank Harvey	Framingham	1656	W3	L1	W6	2
3 Syd Michael	Natick	1501	L2	W8	W7	2
4 Bob Matheson	Natick	1662	D6	L5	W8	1½
5 David Palmer	Natick	1603	D7	W4	L1	1½
6 Kurt Esser	Nashua NH	1515	D4	W7	L2	1½
7 Fransisco Garcia	Framingham	1707	D5	L6	L3	½
8 Henry Blackwell	Newton	1557	L1	L3	L4	0
1 William McAllister	Framingham	1455	W4	W2	W3	3
2 Mark Steinberg	Framingham	1500	W6	L1	W7	2
3 Jeffrey Gibson	Sudbury	1473	W7	W5	L1	2
4 Eric Ogren	Sudbury	UNR	L1	W6	W5	2
5 Stanley Crowe	Newton	1486	W8	L3	L4	1
6 David Hoplight	Natick	1288	L2	L4	W8	1
7 John Farrell	Framingham	UNR	L3	W8	L2	1
8 Robert Dean	Framingham	UNR	L5	L7	L6	0

THE CIVILIZED SWISS #1--MARCH 1

1 Nicholas Tavares	Chicopee	2029	W8	W7	W2	3
2 Jack Young	Acton	2124	W5	W6	L1	2
3 Stanley Targonski	Chicopee	2155	L7	W8	D6	1½
4 Ken Wheeler	Wakefield	1993	L6	D5	W7	1½
5 Walter Winarski	Fall River	1885	L2	D4	W8	1½
6 Raymond LeBlanc	Mansfield	1821	W4	L2	D3	1½
7 Jorge Godoy	Framingham	1911	W3	L1	L4	1
8 Tom Provost	Kingston NH	1880	L1	L3	L5	0
1 Stephen C. Britten	Lexington	1526	W2	D5	W4	2½
2 Laurence Gladding	Fitchburg	1767	L1	W6	W5	2
3 David Vigorito	Lexington	1648	W7	L4	W8	2
4 Slawomir Luczak	Worcester	1524	W8	W3	L1	2
5 Syd Michael	Natick	1472	W6	D1	L2	1½
6 Bob Matheson	Natick	1617	L5	L2	W7	1
7 Henry Blackwell	Newton	1486	L3	W8	L6	1
8 Bernard Gray	Pepperell	1703	L4	L7	L3	0
1 Stephen S. Britten	Lexington	1189	W8	W4	D2	2½
2 Arthur Aizley	Lexington	1177	W5	W6	D1	2½
3 William McAllister	Framingham	1455	L6	W5	W7	2
4 Robert Marsden	Providence RI	1244	W7	L1	W8	2
5 David Hoplight	Natick	1288	L2	L3	Bye	1
6 Mark Limont	Wellesley	1257	W3	L2	---	1
7 Joel Sacks	Longmeadow	1368	L4	D8	L3	½
8 Susan Provost	Kingston NH	1353	L1	D7	L4	½

Dover dispatched the second section three straight, with Frank Harvey of Framingham (loss to Koning) and Syd Michael (loss to Harvey) dividing second prize. William McAllister continued his recent advance of a rating class every other month by sweeping section three; Mark Steinberg of Framingham, Jeffrey Gibson of Sudbury, and unrated Eric Ogren of Sudbury (all with losses to McAllister) shared second.

BRITTEN FAMILY CROWDS

WINNERS' CIRCLE IN

CIVILIZED SWISS

Nicholas Tavares of Chicopee clinched first in the top section of Civilized Swiss #1 on Sunday, March 1 with a final-round victory over Jack Young of Acton. However, Young's 2-1 was still good enough for clear second in the upset-riddled first section. Stephen C. Britten (the younger) of Lexington took section two with a score of 2½-½, yielding only a draw to Syd Michael of Natick in the middle frame, while Stephen S. Britten (the elder) shared first in the third section with Arthur Aizley, also of Lexington, despite their starting the tournament at the bottom of the rating order. The next "Civilized Swiss", also a Sunday octagonal, is April 26.

ANNUAL MEETING: BOARD

RETURNED BY ACCLIMATION

The 1987 Annual Meeting of the General Membership on March 3 re-elected all incumbent club officers and directors by a unanimous vote. Though the intended paper ballots never did reach club members for the planned election by mail-in ballot, they proved superfluous as no race was contested. Officers for 1987 are Jack Martin of Wayland, President; Dave Palmer of Sudbury, Vice-President; Warren Pinches of Boston, Program Director; Tom Zuppa of Billerica, Treasurer; Paul McClanahan of Wrentham; Membership Secretary; and as Members-at-Large, Glenn

FRAMINGHAM MARCH SPEED TOURNAMENT--MARCH 3

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1	Craig Evans	Bellingham	1944	X	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
2	Warren Pinches	Boston	1879	1	X	0	1	1	1	0	1	5
3	David Ferreira	Watertown	1923	0	1	X	1	0	1	1	1	4½
4	James Matthews	Dedham	1954	0	0	0	X	1	1	1	1	4
5	Francisco Garcia	Framingham	1707	0	0	1	0	X	0	1	1	3
6	Tom Zuppa	Billerica	1913	0	0	½	0	1	X	1	0	2½
7	Ralph Schinzel	Holliston	1765	0	1	0	0	0	0	X	1	2
8	Paul McClanahan	Wrentham	1738	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	X	1
1	Adam Bemporad	Newton	1624	X	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	6
2	Dan Fortier	Newton	1560	0	X	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
3	Eric Ogren	Sudbury	UNR	0	0	X	1	1	1	1	1	5
4	Menno Koning	Dover	1686	1	0	0	X	0	1	1	1	4
5	Stanley Crowe	Newton	1430	0	0	0	1	X	½	1	1	3½
6	Bob Matheson	Natick	1617	0	0	0	0	½	X	1	1	2½
7	John Farrell	Framingham	UNR	0	0	0	0	0	0	X	1	1
8	Robert Dean	Framingham	UNR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	X	0

Gates of Sudbury, Paul Heising of Millbury, Herb Weisberg of Needham, and Board newcomer Bob Matheson of Natick, replacing Joe Madsen, who moved to Iowa during the past year. During the remainder of the meeting, the members offered from the floor numerous excellent suggestions on fund-raising, promotion, and tournament organization, suggestions that will be taken up at the first club Board meeting in mid-April.

EVANS COMES UP TO SPEED

After the Annual Meeting on March 3, the club members settled down to some serious nonsense in the March speed tournament. Craig Evans of Bellingham, fresh from his February Octagonal victory, notched first in the top section, losing only to runner-up Warren Pinches of Boston. Adam Bemporad and Dan Fortier, both of Newton, shared first in the Under-1700 section; Bemporad beat Fortier by lost to Menno Koning of Dover.

GAMES FROM CLUB EVENTS

Framingham February Octagonal
Joe Pineau vs. James Matthews
Benko Gambit

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 d5 b5 4 Nf3 bxc4 5 Nc3 g6 6 e4 d6 7 Bxc4 Bg7 8 e5 dxe5 9 Nxe5 O-O 10 O-O Nfd7 11 Nxd7 Qxd7 12 Ne4 Bd4 13 Bh6 Rd8 14 b4 Qg4 15 Qxg4 Bxg4 16 bxc5 Bxal 17 Rxa1 Bf5 18 Ng3 Nd7 19 Nxf5 gxf5 20 Be3 Kf8 21 Rd1 Nxc5 22 Bxc5 Rac8 23 Bxe7+ Kxe7

24 Bb3 Kd6 25 f4 Re8 26 Kf2 Re4 27 g3 Rc5 28 Rd2 h6 29 Bc2 Rb4 30 Bb3 a5 31 Ke3 a4 32 Bd1 Rxd5 33 Rxd5 Kxd5 34 Bf3+ Kc5 35 Bd1 a3 36 Kd3 Rb2 37 Kc3 Rxd2 38 Bc2 Rxc2 39 Kxc2 Kd4 40 Kb3 Ke3 41 Kxa3 Kf3 42 Kb3 Kg2 43 Kc3 Kxh2 44 Kd3 Kxg3 45 Ke2 Kxf4 46 Kf2 h5 47 Kg2 Ke3 48 Kg1 Ke2 49 Kh2 f4 50 Kh1 f3 51 0-1

Boris Spassky Simul, Billerica, Feb. 1
Boris Spassky vs. Tom Zuppa
French Defense

1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e5 c5 5 a3 Bxc3+ 6 bxc3 Ne7 7 Qg4 Qc7 8 Qxg7 Rg8 9 Qxh7 cxd4 10 Ne2 Nbc6 11 f4 dxc3 12 Qd3 Bd7 13 Nxc3 a6 14 Ne2 O-O-O 15 g3 Na5 16 Nd4 Nec6 17 Be3 Nxd4 18 Bxd4 Nc4 19 Kf2 Bb5 20 Qc3 Kb8 21 a4 Bc6 22 Bd3 Rh8 23 h4 Rdg8 24 h5 Rh6 25 Be2 Kc8 26 a5 Bb5 27 Rhg1 Kd7 28 g4 f6 29 g5 fxe5 30 fxe5 R6h8 31 g6 Qd8 32 Qg3 Qf8+ 33 Ke1 Qf5 34 Qf3 Qxf3 35 Bxf3 Ke8 36 c3 Nb2 37 Kf2 Nd3+ 38 Ke3 Nb2 39 Rg3 Nc4+ 40 Kf4 Nd2 41 Kg5 Nxf3+ 42 Rxf3 Be2 43 Rlf1 Bxf1 44 Rxf1 1-0

West Suburban Winter Grand Prix
Joe Fang vs. Antonio Gellineau
Modern Defense

1 d4 g6 2 c4 Bg7 3 Nc3 d6 4 e4 e5 5 dxe5 dxe5 6 Qxd8+ Kxd8 7 f4 f6 8 Nf3 c6 9 fxe5 fxe5 10 Bg5+ Kc7 11 O-O-O Nd7 12 Be2 Bh6 13 Rhf1 b6 14 h4 Bg7 15 Be3 Nf8 16 Ng5 Nf6 17 Nf7 Be6 18 Nxe8 Bxe8 19 c5 N8d7 20 Rd6 Re8 21 b4 bxc5 22 bxc5 Bg7 23 Bb5 cxb5 24 Nxb5+ Kb8 25 c6 Nxe4 26 Rxe6 Ndf6 27 Rxe8+ Nxe8 28 Rf7 a6 29 Rb7+ Ka8 30 Nc7+ Nxc7 31 Rxc7 1-0

West Suburban Winter Grand Prix
Lawrence Dean vs. Murray Turnbull
Closed Sicilian

1 e4 c5 2 Nc3 d6 3 g3 Nc6 4 Bg2 g6 5 d3 Bg7 6 Be3 Nf6 7 h3 O-O 8 Nge2 Rb8 9 f4 Ne8 10 O-O b5 11 Qd2 b4 12 Nd1 Nd4 13 c3 bxc3 14 bxc3 Nxe2 15 Qxe2 Qa5 16 f5 Bxc3 17 Nxc3 Qxc3 18 fxe6 hxe6 19 Rab1 Rxb1 20 Rxb1 Ba6 21 Rb3 Qa1+ 22 Kh2 Nc7 23 Qd2 Rc8 24 h4 c4 25 dxc4 Ne6 26 Ra3 Bxc4 27 Rxa7 Rb8 28 Kh3 Bf1 29 Bxf1 Qxf1+ 30 Qg2 Qf6 31 Qf2 Qe5 32 Qc2 Nc5 33 Bxc5 dxc5 34 Ra5 Rb2 35 Qc4 Rf2 0-

THE CIVILIZED SWISS #2
APRIL 26, 1987--FRAMINGHAM, MA

A one-day, three-round Swiss in 8-12 player sections (octagonal format), at the American Legion (Framingham Chess Club), 11 Beech Street, Framingham. Time limits will be 40 moves/90 minutes, then sudden death/45 minutes.

ENTRY FEE: \$12 in advance, \$15 at site
PRIZES: \$40 1st, \$25 2nd each 8-player section

COMPARE TO THE TRADITIONAL ONE-DAY SWISS

THREE ROUNDS IN ONE DAY INSTEAD OF A HECTIC FOUR
NO 40/1 OR 30/30 TIME LIMITS--A MORE RELAXED 40/90
NUMEROUS SECTIONS BY PLAYING STRENGTH
ALL GAMES MEANINGFUL--NO WILD MISMATCHES
CASH PRIZES TO AT LEAST ONE OF EVERY FOUR PLAYERS

ROUND TIMES: 10AM, 1:30PM, and 5PM.

REGISTRATION: Plan on mailing advance entries at least a week in advance to insure its receipt. Advance entries should be sent payable to the Framingham Chess Club, c/o Jack Martin, P.O. Box 324, Wayland MA 01778-0324. At-site registration 9-9:30AM. No phone entries. If you pre-enter and cannot attend, call for a full refund by 10PM Saturday 4/25, at 617-353-1889; no refund for later withdrawals.

MEMBERSHIPS: All players must be current members of the US Chess Federation (\$25 adult, \$12 or \$3.50 age 18 or under) or pay a surcharge of \$1/game. You may join the USCF at the tournament. Bring membership cards to speed your registration!

DIRECTIONS: Take Route 9 to Framingham Centre. Eastbound, exit at Edgell Road and turn right at the lights. Westbound, exit at Route 30/Southboro/Trolley Square signs and turn left at the lights. Either way, proceed two blocks after turning at the lights and turn right onto Franklin Street. Proceed 1¼ miles down Franklin to the American Legion at the corner of Franklin and Beech Streets.

FREE COFFEE--NO SMOKING

Sponsored by the Framingham Chess Club

THE CIVILIZED SWISS #2--APRIL 26, 1987

NAME: _____ USCF RATING (if any): _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

USCF ID NO.: _____ USCF EXPIRATION: _____