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2007 Australian Junior Lightning Championship - Prizewinners!



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1st Place	Junta Ikeda	\$420
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Girls = 2nd and = 1st Under 16/14	Alexandra Jule, Emma Guo & Sally Yu	\$168 ea
Girls Under 12	Leteisha Simmonds	\$140
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Lightning Champion Junta Ikeda 10.5/11

2nd - Yitao Lei 8/11
 3rd - Chris Wallis 8/11
 4th - Derek Yu 7.5/11
 5th - Rengam Vijayakumar 7.5/11

Under 16 Champion
 Max Illingworth 8.5/11

Under 14 Champion
 Zhigen Wilson Lin 8/11

Under 12 Champion
 Gene Nakauchi 10/11

Under 10 Champion
 Ryan Sam 7.5/11

Under 8 Champion
 Anton Smirnov 5/11

Girls' Champion Deborah Ng 7.5/11

2nd - Alexandra Jule 7/11



Under 16 Girls' Champion
 Emma Guo 7/11

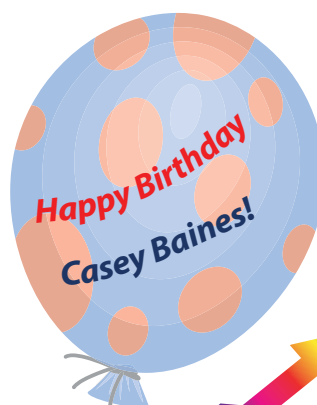
Under 14 Girls' Champion
 Sally Yu 7/11

Under 12 Girls' Champion
 Leteisha Simmonds 6.5/11

Under 10 Girls' Champion
 Mirakla Mithran 6/11

Under 8 Girls' Champion
 Amy Nicholson 2/11

Check out who was playing chess around the pool yesterday!
Aussie Idols Guy Sebastian & Bobby Flynn in town 
for tonight's Australia Day Live 07 concert!



**Games
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9.30am
tomorrow!!!!**

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That's so cool... I'm so excited!

Sadly, we are not talking about the chess here; this is a quote from a certain female coach who shall remain nameless, after she and several of the female players in the event had their photos taken with Guy Sebastian... Check out the tournament website to find out more; but you will have to ask others what Guy Sebastian was doing here in the first place! What with the Wellington Hurricane rugby players also at our hotel (and kicking us out of our analysis room), there really is much excitement going on at the moment. Not to say that very much of it is being caused by this particular eirenarch, who must humbly apologise to James Li after erroneously leaving his name out of the list of Under 12 Open leaders in the last bulletin blurb. Of course Yi Yuan could not have been on both 6.5/8 and 6/8 at the same time; Yi was in fact on 6/8, and James was one of the four leaders on 6.5/8 going into Round 9.

Megan Setiabudi is now looking good for the Under 12 Girls title after winning her crucial top board game against Clarise Koh to maintain her outright lead on 7.5/9. After an early scare in the opening when Clarise looked like she was building up a strong kingside attack, Megan won a pawn and simplified to an ending which she duly won when she won two more pawns! She is now a point clear of Abbie Kanagarajah in outright second, after Abbie upset Natasha Bortsova (White) by exploiting her queen on h7 and a mate threat on h2. Caroline Shane joined Clarise in third on 6/9 with a win over Yi-Ying Zheng, while Mirakla Mithran was in a group on 5.5/9 after her win over Alannah Byrne. Alannah, Mirakla and Natasha were all joined on this score by Leteisha Simmonds, Megan's next opponent.

The Under 18 Girls continues to produce excitement, with Emma Guo looking in grave danger against Alana Chibnall. Emma was winning easily due to her passed h pawn as Black, but then misplayed it and was dead lost a piece down – until her opponent returned the favour and allowed Emma to checkmate her! So Emma held on to her full point lead on 8/9, from Jessica Kinder who registered victory over Kayleigh Smith after the latter played a bit too fast and dropped material early on to a knight fork. Also on 7/9 was Sally Yu, who was in an inferior position against the hapless Tamzin Oliver but was able to turn it around with some tactics ending in a family fork. Probably only these three are still in contention, although Molly McGarity is only half a point further back on 6.5/9 after her win over Katrina Knapp.

Decisive results on the top two boards have left us with only two joint leaders in the Under 12 Open, as Oscar Wang and Gene Nakauchi reached 7.5/9 and square off in a vital battle in Round 10. Gene slowly outplayed Vincent Horton in the ending, winning pawns and the game; although if their scoresheets are to be believed, he missed early opportunities to put his opponent away with a discovered attack. Oscar was even luckier to win his game against James Li; with James trying to win queen and knight pawn versus queen, his fans could only kelk as he walked into a skewer to lose queen and game! All this still gives hope to top seed Yi Yuan, only half a point back in outright third on 7/9 after cashing in on an early pawn advantage to win another and beat Alex Stahnke. Laurence Matheson missed a chance to join him when he could only draw with

Taiyang Zhang; he was better (a pawn up) for much of the game, but ended up only able to draw a frustrating knight ending by liquidation of pawns.

A haspenald finally got to the top board in the Under 18 Open, but Ben Lazarus could not stay there for long: he lost a frustrating game against Michael Wei where he was a piece down from early on, and could not drum up enough of an attack as compensation. This left a happy Michael alone in first place on 8/9 after Junta Ikeda defeated Zhigen Wilson Lin, who had to



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sacrifice a piece to stop Junta's advanced passed e pawn as Black. Junta, Chris Wallis (winner over Andrew Brown) and Zhigen were joined on equal second on 7/9 by a surprise packet, William Xu, who got an optimistic attack through against Ganesh Viswanath to win queen and game after earlier having been in a lost position. The players just half a point further back on 6.5/9 were also largely unexpected: Miles Haselgrove (defeated Derek Yu), Fedja Zulfic (beat James Cameron) and Michael Gearing (winner over Daniel Ford). With just two rounds to go, Michael Wei is looking good; but stay tuned, there could be more shocks in store...

2007 Australian Junior Problem-Solving Championship - Prizewinners!

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= 1st-3rd Place	Ganesh Viswanath, Devrim van Dijk & Reubban Muthusamy		\$46.33ea
4th Place	Chris Wallis		\$22
5th Place	Ben Lazarus		\$22
1st Under 16	Yi Yuan		\$22
1st Under 14	Fabian Ivancic		\$22
1st Under 12	Alex Stahnke		\$22
1st Under 10	Bevan Lee		\$22
Girls Champion	Sally Yu		\$44
2nd Place	Emma Guo		\$35
Under 16 Girl	Savannah McGuirk		\$22
Under 14 Girl	Megan Setiabudi		\$22
Under 12 Girl	Clarise Koh		\$22
Under 10 Girl	Lucinda Flood		\$22

Problem-Solving Champion Ganesh Viswanath

2nd - Devrim van Dijk
3rd - Reubban Muthusamy
4th - Chris Wallis
5th - Ben Lazarus

Under 16 Champion
Yi Yuan

Under 14 Champion
Fabian Ivancic

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Alex Stahnke

Under 10 Champion
Bevan Lee

Under 8 Champion
Ethan Derwent

Girls' Champion Sally Yu

2nd - Savannah McGuirk



Under 16 Girls' Champion
Emma Guo

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Megan Setiabudi

Under 12 Girls' Champion
Clarise Koh

Under 10 Girls' Champion
Lucinda Flood

Under 8 Girls' Champion
Amy Nicholson

"Chess with Martika" Prizes - Ethan Derwent, Jamie-Lee Guo, Clement Poh, Taylor Leggett, Joanne Mason, Aislinn Smith & Yi-Jing Zeng

Australian Chess Magazine Subscriptions - Ganesh Viswanath, Devrim van Dijk, Reubban Muthusamy, Chris Wallis, Ben Lazarus, Sally Yu, Yi Yuan, Jake McCook, Thomas Feng, Robbie Peck, Oscar Wang & Yi-Ying Zeng

Book Prizes - Cory Lee, Gene Nakauchi, Megan Setiabudi, Justin Chow, Daniel Ford, Allen Setiabudi, Andrew Brown, Derek Yu, Vijay Sunder, Yi Yuan, Zhong Hao Gan, Brandon Leggett, John Papantoniou, James Cameron, Emma Guo, Alastair Dyer, Fabian Ivancic, Aaron Lau & Edward Xing

(1) Wei, Michael - Lazarus, Benjamin A67 Aust Juniors (9), 24.01.2007

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 e6 4.Nc3 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.e4 g6 7.f4 Bg7 8.Bb5+ Nbd7 White's last move looks like a beginner's check since it will give Black the useful move a6 with tempo. In fact it is a dangerous system devised by leading Soviet player Taimanov, the idea being that Black has to play 8...Nfd7 throwing his pieces in each other's way, because otherwise the e-pawn advances decisively. For instance; 8...Bd7 9.e5 Nh5 10.Nf3 and the Knight on h5 is a serious liability. Over the years various crusaders have tried to show that Nbd7 is possible because of counter-attacks based on Qh4+.

9.e5 dxe5 10.fxe5 Nh5 11.e6 Qh4+ 12.Kd2 12.g3 Nxc3 13.hxc3 (13.exd7+ Bxd7 14.Bxd7+ Kxd7 15.hxc3 has been tried. 13.Nf3 has also been trendy.) 13...Qxh1 14.Be3 used to be considered the refutation of Black's idea, but Black has come up with ideas to stay afloat in this line, while 14.exd7+ Bxd7 15.Qe2+ came and went.

12...fxe6 13.dxe6 0-0 14.exd7 Bxd7 15.Bxd7 Rf2+ 16.Nge2 Rd8 All this is theory (not hard to believe these days). Palliser in NIC YB79 says of White's next that it is "logical but remains untested" - now it has been tested and looks good.

17.Qa4 Past practice has centred around 17.Qb3+.

17...Nf4 Black runs out of theory first. This obvious move, keeping the Queens on and hitting the pinned Knight, is a serious error which gives White time to consolidate.

Palliser, apparently quoting Kinsman, advocates 17...Qxa4 18.Nxa4

Rxd7+ 19.Ke1 Rxc2 20.Kf1 Rg4 21.Nac3 Rf7+ (21...b5 22.Be3 (22.Nxb Rd1+ 23.Kf2 Rxh1) 22...b4 is suggested by Flear.) 22.Ke1 Re7 as reasonable for Black.

17...Bxc3+ 18.Kxc3 Qf6+ 19.Kc2 Rxe2+ 20.Kb1 when fortunately fo White f5 is covered is also unsatisfactory for Black.

18.Kc2 With this move White prepares an escape for his King and intends Bxf4, which eliminates the attacking Knight and attends to all three of his undeveloped pieces. Black can regain one piece, an even that's an effort, but no more.

18...Bxc3 By comparison with playing this capture last move White has a more dynamic option than recapturing on c3.

19.Qc4+ Kf8 19...Kg7 may be a little better but the reply is the same 20.Bxf4 Bd4 21.Be5+ Kh6 22.Bxd4 Qe4+ 23.Kb3 cxd4

20.Bxf4 Be5 20...Bd4 wins back one of the lost pieces but is still insufficient e.g. 21.Kb3 (there are other good moves) 21...Rxe2 (21...Rxd7 22.Nxd4 Rxd4 (22...cxd4 23.Bg3) 23.Qxc5+) 22.Qxe2 Rxd 23.Qe6; Note that White was threatening 21.Bd6+

21.Qxc5+ Kf7 22.Qd5+ Kf8 White has emerged with a clear material advantage and Black's attack is over, in fact he is the one likely to be mated.

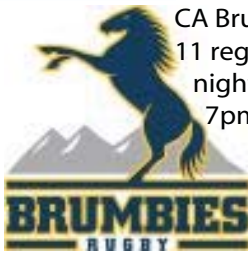
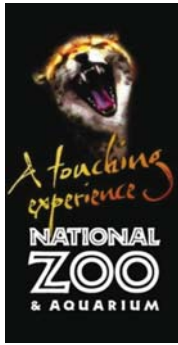
23.Bxe5 Rxe2+ 24.Kb3 Re3+ 25.Bc3 b5 26.Rhf1+ Rf3 27.Rxf3+ Here Black resigned due to 27...Ke7 28.Rf7# 1-0

Annotated by Ian Rout

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