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INTRODUCTION

Lots of tournament news this time round, so let's go.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Otto Mehlreter has defended his Noosa Club Champion title once again. As was the case last year, knife-edge games saw Otto emerge from poor and even losing positions with the full point. The adage about winning a won game being a hard thing to do is certainly true against Otto!

Runners up were **Paul Summers** losing only to Otto with 6/7 and a big group on 3rd through 5th with **Gerry O'Connor** and **Stuart M^cColl** on 3/6 and **Robert Hochstadt** also on 3, but from 4 rounds only!

Otto Mehlreter was best overall performance, with **Stuart M^cColl** achieving the best cumulative upsets. Standings below:

RANK	NAME	RATING	SCORE	PLAYED
1	Mehlreter, Otto	1817	6	6
2	Summers, Paul	1707	5	6
3-5	O'Connor, Gerry	1444	3	6
	Hochstadt, Robert	1440	3	4
	Runciman, Alan	1212	3	6
6	M ^c Coll, Stuart	1184	2.5	6
7-9	Crabbe, Peter	1509	2	4
	Collins, Greg	1476	2	3
	Patissier, Dominique	1381	2	4
10-11	Koch, Wolf	1418	1	2
	Wilkes, Allan	1284	1	6
12	Powell, Bill	1550	0.5	1
13-14	Szopory, Daniel	Unr	0	1
	Savory, Michael	Unr	0	2

CLUB TOURNAMENT NEWS

A Gold Medal to **Derrick Jeffries** in the Buderim Olympic Tournament, a 30 minutes followed by 10 seconds per move event. On the rostrum and sharing the other medals were **Ted Hislop**, **Rafael Szumer** and **David Waterhouse** running up in 2-4th places.

Full results below:

RANK	NAME	RATING	SCORE	PLAYED
1	Jeffries, Derrick	1429	5.5	8
2-4	Hislop, Ted	1189	5	7
	Szumer, Rafael	1270	5	7
	Waterhouse, David	1306	5	8
5	Dyer, Jeff	1082	4.5	7
6	Krause, Terry	1500	4	4
7	Goodwin, Bob	1465	3	4
8-10	Smith, Geoff	1118	2.5	8
	Edgar, Arch	1477	2.5	4
	McColl, Stuart	1225	2.5	4
11-13	Pincus, David		1.5	5
	Djordjevic, Lou,	1197	1.5	4
	Gannon, Nirvana		1.5	2
14-15	Sims, Charles	1022	1	5
	Churcher, Mick	1107	1	3

Another real handicap lightning tournament was played in Noosa in September. These events see 1 minute difference in times for every 50 points in rating, with the lower player going up and the higher going down. With Otto and Paul usually playing off two minutes in these events, we often getting other players in first place, but not this time. **Otto Mehlreter** blitzed (sorry) the field with 6/7. In 2nd through 4th places on 5/7, **Paul Summers**, **Stuart McColl** and showing he is a force still to be reckoned with, **Arnie Thorvaldsen**. Come back Arnie!!

Best performance in this tournament was from **Stuart M^cColl**, while **Michael Savory** got his first results as well as getting best upsets!

We also played an unnamed rapid tournament at 20 minutes followed by 5 seconds per move at Noosa in October. First was, you guessed it **Otto Mehlreter** on 6/6, second was **Gerry O'Connor** on 5/6 and third **Paul Summers** on 4/6.

Greg Collins got the quinella with best upsets and best overall performance. Crosstable follows:

RANK	NAME	RATING	SCORE	PLAYED
1	Mehlreter, Otto	1841	6	6
2	Collins, Greg	1477	5	6
3	Summers, Paul	1718	4	6
4-7	Norton, Ramon	1406	2	2
	Patissier, Dominique	1367	2	3
	Stewart, Craig	1350	2	3
	McColl, Stuart	1195	2	6
8-13	Hochstadt, Robert	1457	1	3
	O'Connor, Gerry	1438	1	6
	Koch, Wolf	1413	1	1
	Wilkes, Allan	1253	1	6
	Runciman, Alan	1229	1	5
	Savory, Michael	Unr	1	5

OTHER TOURNAMENT NEWS

Bob Goodwin and **Geoff Smith** played in the Gold Coast Classic, although both (Bob in particular) would probably rather forget the results. Each Suncoast player finished on 2 from 7. Presumably the multitude of juniors took their toll!!

Meanwhile in the inaugural Tweed Heads Open, **Ted Hislop** was the only Suncoast player to make the trip, with most others involved in the Suncoast Schools Teams Championship. Ted scored 2.5 from a strong field.

Four Suncoast players competed with the low numbers at the Redcliffe Challenge. **Alan Runciman** on 2.5/6 would have been pleased to finish ahead of a not so pleased **Bob Goodwin** on 2. **Allan Wilkes** also finished on 2, while **Ted Hislop** managed a single win.

GAMES SECTION

Stuart McColl commenced correspondence play a year or so back. In the following game he takes on a higher rated opponent who plays a Grunfeld Defence, the D86 line being fairly rare these days. Fritz 6 at 5 seconds per move provides most of the notes.

McColl, Stuart (1250)- Goudy, A (1300) [D86]

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1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.e4 Nxc3 6.bxc3 Bg7 7.Bc4 0-0 8.Nf3 c5 9.Be3 Nc6 10.0-0 Qa5N [Normal is 10...Bg4 where the following games continued 11.Rb1 (11.Bd5 cxd4 12.cxd4 Bxf3 13.Qxf3 Nb4 14.Bxb7 Rb8 15.e5 Nc2 16.Rad1 Qa5 17.Bd5 e6 18.Bb3 Nxe3 19.Qxe3 Rfd8 20.Rd3 Rb7 21.Rfd1 Rbd7 22.h4 Qb5 23.f4 h5 24.Kh1 Bf8 25.Qe4 Qb4 26.Qe3 Be7 27.Qf2 Bc5 28.Qd2 Qxd2 29.R1xd2 Rxd4 30.Rxd4 Rxd4 31.Rxd4 Bxd4 32.g3 ½-½ Bunawan – Ang Jia Jun, World Cities Ch 1997) 11...Qc7 12.Be2 Rfd8 13.d5 Bxf3 14.Bxf3 Na5 15.Qc1 c4 16.Rd1 b6 17.Rb4 Be5 18.h3 Bd6 19.Rb1 Nb7 20.Be2 Rac8 21.Rd4 Na5 22.Rd1 Nb7 23.Rd4 Na5 24.Rd1 Qb7 25.Bd4 Qc7 26.Be3 Rb8 27.f4 Bc5 28.e5 Rbc8 29.Bg4 Rb8 30.Bf3 Rbc8 31.Bg4 Rb8 32.Bf3 Nb7 33.Be2 Na5 34.Bf3 Nb7 35.Be2 Na5 36.Bf3 Rbc8 37.Bg4 ½-½ Einarsson, Bergsteinn – Nur, Nawrose Farh, World Ch Junior Male Under 10 1997] 11.Qb3 Qc7 12.Be2 cxd4 13.cxd4 Be6



14.d5 White gains space 14...Na5 15.Qd1 Bxa1 16.Qxa1 Bg4 17.Bh6 Threatening mate 17...f6 Secures e5+g5 18.Bxf8 Rxf8 19.Rc1 [19.h3 Bd7±] 19...Qd7 [19...Qf4 20.Re1=] 20.Qc3 [20.Nd4 Bxe2 21.Nxe2 b5±] 20...b6 21.Qb4 [21.h3 Rc8 22.Qxc8+ Qxc8 23.Rxc8+ Bxc8=] 21...Bxf3 22.Bxf3 Nb7 23.Qc4 Nc5 [23...Nd6 24.Qa6±] 24.h3 Qd6 25.Qd4 e6 26.Qc4 e5 27.Bg4 Rf7 [27...f5 28.exf5 gxf5 29.Be2±] 28.Be6 Nxe6 29.dxe6 Re7 30.Qc8+ Kg7 31.Rc6 Qd1+ 32.Kh2 Qh5?? Terrible, but the game is lost in any case [32...Qd2 33.Rc7 Qd6+–] 33.Rc7 1-0