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Days of Future Past

Alexander Beliavsky's exciting win with Black against Anatoly Karpov at Tilburg in 1986.

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Alexander Beliavsky was born on December 17th 1953 in Lviv, Ukraine. Beliavsky won the World Junior Championship in 1973 and became a GM in 1975. He won the USSR Championship in 1974, 1980,1987 and 1990. He was ranked number 4 in the World in 1985, a year after he lost to Garry Kasparov in a Candidates Ouarterfinal match in 1983.

Every year from 1977 to 1998 Tilburg was the site of a major top level chess tournament. From '77 till '94 it was sponsored by Interpolis, an insurance company. The format was a double round robin with 8 of the leading players of the era. They were in addition to Beliavsky: Ljubojevic, Karpov, Miles, Timman, Portisch, Huebner, and Korchnoi. Beliavsky finished clear first.

TOURNAMENT STANDINGS Interpolis 10th Tournament

Alexander G Beliavsky	8.5/14	(+5 -2 = 7)
Ljubomir Ljubojevic	8/14	(+5 - 3 = 6)
Anatoly Karpov	7.5/14	(+2 -1 =11)
Anthony Miles	7/14	(+4 -4 =6)
Lajos Portisch	7/14	(+3 -3 =8)
Jan Timman	7/14	(+3 -3 =8)
Robert Huebner	6.5/14	(+1 -2 = 11)
Viktor Korchnoi	4.5/14	(+2 - 7 = 5)

Here is one of his best games from Tilburg '86 against former World champion Anatoly Karpov.

A Karpov (RUS) – A Beliavsky (SLO) It, Tilburg (Netherlands) 1986, 0-1, Opening: D36

1. d4 d5 2. c4 e6 3. 2 c3 2 f6 4. cxd5 exd5 5. 2 g5 2 e7 6. e3 c6 7. 2 d3 2 bd7 8. 2 f3 O-O 9. O-O 2 e8

10. 曾c2 ②f8 11. h3 魯e6 12. 魯f4 魯d6 13. 魯xd6 曾xd6 14. a3 曾e7 15. b4 罩ac8 16. 罩fc1 ②6d7 17. ②e2 ②g6 18. ②g3 ②df8 19. ②d2 ②h4 20. ②b3 曾g5 21. 曾h2 罩c7 22. ②c5 魯c8 23. 罩e1 g6 24. 罩ac1 h5 25. b5 ②xg2



26. 曾xg2 h4 27. bxc6 hxg3 28. fxg3 罩xe3 29. 罩xe3 曾xe3 30. cxb7 臭xb7 31. 曾c3 罩xc5 32. 曾xc5 曾xd3 33. 曾c3 曾e2+ 34. 曾g1 ②e6 35. 罩e1 ②xd4



If 36. Rxe2 a devastating fork ensues.

36. ≌h1 ᡚb5 [0-1].

At 21 years old in 1974 Beliavsky tied for first place in the USSR Championship with former World champion Mikhail Tal. Beliavsky beat Tal in their game to pull even with him at 9 points. They both drew their last round games and shared the title.

M Tal (LAT) – A Beliavsky (SLO) Ch URS, Leningrad (Russia) 1974, 0-1, Opening: D40

1. c4 c5 2. ②f3 ②f6 3. ②c3 ②c6 4. e3 e6 5. d4 d5 6. a3 a6 7. b3 义 d6 8. 义 d3 O-O 9. O-O b6 10. 义 b2 cxd4 11. exd4 义 b7 12. 黨 e1 黨 c8 13. cxd5 exd5 14. ② e5 ② xd4 15. 义 xh7 + ② xh7 16. 豐 xd4 义 c5 17. 豐 d3 d4 18. ② e2 黨 e8 19. ②g3 豐 d5 20. ②f3 ②g5 21. b4 义 f8 22. ②h4 黨 xe1+23. 黨 xe1 ② e6 24. 黨 d1 a5 25. bxa5 bxa5 26. ② e2 豐 h5 27. ②f3 义 xf3 28. gxf3 ②g5 29. ②g3 ② xf3+30. 当g2 ② h4+31. 当h3 当h6 32. 当e4 ②g6+33. 当g2 d3 34. 义 d4 黨 c4 35. 义 xg7 当f4 36. 当a8 当g4 37. h3 当xd1 38. 义 xf8 ② xf8 ③ xf8 39. 当d5 黨 c1 40. 当g5+ ②g6

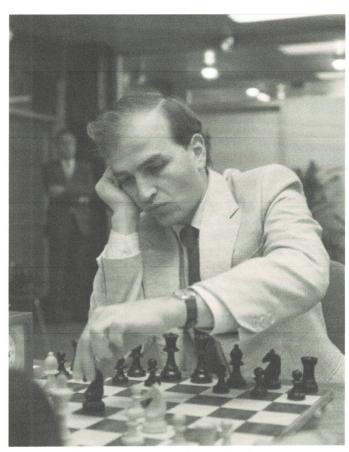
[0-1]

USSR Championship Tournament 1974.

Alexander G Beliavsky	9.5/15	(+6 -2 =7)
Mikhail Tal	9.5/15	(+6 -2 =7)
Lev Polugaevsky	9/15	(+5 -2 =8)
Rafael Vaganian	9/15	(+6 -3 =6)
Oleg M Romanishin	8.5/15	(+5 -3 =7)
Mark Dvoretzky	8.5/15	(+3 -1 =11)
Lev Alburt	8.5/15	(+3 -1 =11)
Yuri S Balashov	8/15	(+3 -2 =10)
Gennadi P Kuzmin	7.5/15	(+2 -2 =11)
Evgeni Vasiukov	7/15	(+4 -5 =6)
Vitaly Tseshkovsky	7/15	(+3 -4 =8)
<u>Vladimir Savon</u>	6.5/15	(+1 -3 =11)
Karen Grigorian	6/15	(+2 -5 =8)
Mark Taimanov	6/15	(+2 -5 =8)
Boris Gulko	6/15	(+3 -6 =6)
Viktor Kupreichik	3.5/15	(+3 -11 =1)

In 1995 Beliavsky became a FIDE Senior Trainer. He shares the record with Keres and Korchnoi of defeating Nine World Champions. In July of 1997 he hit his peak rating of 2710.

Sources: Wikipedia, Chess.com article by NM Green Laser 5/14/2011, chessgames.com



Alexander Beliavsky in play 1986. Photo: Anefo

Games from recent Chaturanga Events.

The Chaturanga Chess League.

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A few days before round two commenced this writer came down with Covid which included a long hospital stay. A resurgence of the virus threatened to derail us before we really got started. However, the league soldiered on and continued to get most games in. Many thanks to the other Chaturanga officers. Here is a nice round four win by former club President Ed McKenney over always tough Eric Tobias. The endgame is worth going over.

Ed McKenney - Eric Tobias 2021/22 Chaturanga League, TOPC 2021.12.01, 1-0, Opening: B15

1. e4 c6 2. d4 d5 3. ② c3 g6 4. 彙 e3 彙 g7 5. f3 dxe4 6. ② xe4 ② d7 7. ② h3 ② gf6 8. ② hf2 O-O 9. c3 ② xe4 10. fxe4 ② f6 11. 彙 c4 b5 12. 彙 b3 a5 13. a3 a4 14. 奠 a2 曾 d7 15. O-O ② g4 16. ② xg4 曾 xg4 17. 曹 xg4 奠 xg4 18. 罩 f2 彙 d7 19. 罩 af1...



19...e6 20. e5 h6 21. 當f3 當ac8 22. 當h3 g5 23. 當d1 f5 24. 當f3 當f7 25. 當xf5+ 當e7 26. 當xf8 這xf8 27. 當f1 這xf1+ 28. 當xf1 當f7 29. 魚 b1 魚 f8 30. 魚 e4 魚 e7 31. 當f2 當g7 32. 當f3 魚 e8 33. g4 魚 d8 34. 當e2 魚 e7 35. 當d2 魚 f8 36. 當e1 魚 e7 37. 當e2 魚 f8 38. h3 魚 e7 39. 當d3 魚 g6 40. 魚 xg6 當xg6 41. c4



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\(\mathbb{2}\) d4 \(\mathbb{2}\) f8 49. e6+ \(\mathbb{2}\) e8 50. \(\mathbb{2}\) f6 Black resigned. [1-0]

This next game, from round six, is a rematch from Round 1 between The Chess Nut's captain, Greg Nolan, and Amador's Matadors captain Terance Hall. Terance took Greg's measure in the first encounter, so this second stanza looked to be a battle and it didn't disappoint.

Greg Nolan-Terance Hall Chaturanga League, TOPC 2021.12.22, 1-0, Opening: A29

1. c4 e5 2. ② c3 ② c6 3. g3 ② f6 4. 奠 g2 奠 b4 5. ② d5 奠 c5 6. e3 O-O 7. ② e2 罩 e8 8. d3 d6 9. 罩 b1 ② xd5 10. cxd5 ② e7 11. b4 奠 b6 12. h3 奠 f5 13. e4 奠 g6 14. O-O f5 15. 알 h2 罩 f8 16. f4 豐 d7 17. 奠 b2 罩 ae8 18. a4 a6 19. a5 奠 a7 20. 罩 c1 奠 h5 21. 奠 f3 奠 xf3 22. 罩 xf3 ② g6 23. 豐 c2 fxe4 24. dxe4 exf4 25. gxf4 豐 e7 26. 豐 xc7 豐 xc7 27. 罩 xc7 罩 f7 28. 罩 xf7 알 xf7 29. e5 ② h4 30. e6+ 알 e7 31. 罩 c3 奠 b8 32. 罩 c4 ② f5 33. 罩 c3 g6 34. ② g3 罩 f8 35. ② e4 ② d4 36. 罩 c4 ② b5 37. 奠 f6+...





37... 罩xf6 38. ②xf6 当xf6 39. 罩c8 臭c7 40. 罩f8+ 当g7 41. e7 Black Resigned [1-0]

This next game, also round number six is a fine win by Jimmy Christensen over the formidable Ron Stokes. This game shows how far Jim has improved his game.

Ron Stokes - Jimmy Christensen Chaturanga League, TOPC 2021.12.22, 0-1, Opening: D08

1. d4 d5 2. c4 e5 3. dxe5 d4 4. ② f3 ② c6 5. ② bd2 ② e6 6. a3 a5 7. g3 圖 d7 8. ② g2 h5 9. O-O ② h3 10. ② b3 ② xg2 11. ③ xg2 O-O-O 12. 圖 d3 h4 13. ② xh4 ② ge7...

Better is 13...a4. Black missed this tactic, which leads to a quick win. He later found it in postgame analysis. [13... a4 14. ② d2 g5 15. ② hf3 曾h3+16. 曾g1 ② xe5]

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14. ②c5 曾g4 15. 曾f3 罩xh4...



16. 豐xg4+ 罩xg4 17. f4 包f5 18. 當f3 罩g6 19. 包d3 臭e7 20. 臭d2 罩h8 21. 罩f2 罩gh6 22. 罩h1 罩h3 23. 罩g2 包h4+ 24. 當f2 包xg2 25. 當xg2 a4 26. 包f2 罩3h5 27. h4 臭c5 28. 包e4 臭e7 29. 當f3 g5 30. 包xg5 臭xg5 31. fxg5 包xe5+ 32. 當e4 包xc4 33. 臭c1 c5 34. 當d5 包e3+ 35. 當xc5 罩xg5+ 36. 當xd4 罩xg3 37. 臭xe3 罩d8+ 38. 當e4 星e8+ 39. 當f4 罩gxe3 40. 罩h2 罩xe2 41. 罩xe2 罩xe2 White Resigns [0-1]

Scott Yoder submitted this round seven game against Bill Campion. After this win Scott had 5.5 points out of 7! I'll drink what he's drinking!!

Bill Campion - Scott Yoder Chaturanga League, TOPC 2022.01.05, 0-1, Opening: A45

1. d4 ② f6 2. 🙎 g5 ② e4 3. 😩 h4 c5 4. f3 ② d6 5. c3 ② f5 6. 🐧 f2 cxd4 7. cxd4 d5 8. e3 👑 a5+ 9.

② c3 e6 10. 彙 d3 ② d6 11. ② ge2 奠 e7 12. O-O O-O 13. 營 c2 g6 14. a3 奠 d7 15. 營 b3 a6 16. 奠 g3 b5 17. 運 fc1 ② c4 18. 奠 xc4 dxc4 19. 營 c2 奠 c6 20. 奠 e1 營 c7 21. 奠 g3 奠 d6 22. ② e4 奠 xe4 23. 營 xe4 ② d7 24. 奠 xd6 營 xd6 25. ② c3 ② f6 26. 營 h4 ② d5 27. ② e4 營 e7 28. ② g5 h5 29. 黨 e1 f6 30. 營 e4 fxg5 31. 營 xg6+ 貸 h8 32. 營 xh5+ 營 h7 33. 營 g4 黨 f6 34. 營 g3 營 g6 35. 營 e5 黨 af8 36. 營 d6 g4 37. f4 營 h5 38. g3 營 h3 39. e4 ② xf4 40. gxf4 g3 41. 黨 e2 黨 xf4 42. 營 e5+ 黨 8f6 43. hxg3 黨 f1+ 44. 黨 xf1 營 xf1+...



...45. 曾h2 曾xe2+ 46. 曾g1 曾f2+ 47. 曾h1 曾g7 48. 曾g5+ 罩g6 49. 曾e7+ 曾f7 50. 曾d6 曾f3+ 51. 曾g1 罩xg3+ White resigns [0-1]

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Irving Chernev published a book in 1955 entitled "The 1000 Best Short Games of Chess". Its subtitle is "A Treasury of Masterpieces in Miniature". This crackling win in sixteen moves could have easily been included...if we had a time machine. According to the forward of the book the maximum number of moves to garner the title of "Miniature" is 24 moves.

Jimmy Christensen - Eric Tobias Chaturanga League, TOPC 2022.01.05, 1-0, Opening: B12

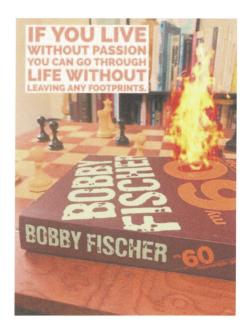
1. e4 c6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 鼻f5 4. h4 h6 5. g4 鼻h7 6. e6 fxe6 7. 鼻d3 鼻xd3 8. 豐xd3 ②a6 9. ②f3 豐a5+ 10. 鼻d2 豐b5 11. 豐g6+ 曾d8 12. ②c3 豐xb2 13. O-O 豐a3 14. ②e5 豐b4 15. 豐xe6 豐d6 16. ②f7+ Black Resigns [1-0]

The following is a round eight game between to evenly matched opponents featuring a very offbeat opening.

Ron Stokes - Eric Tobias Chaturanga League, TOPC 2022.01.12, 1/2-1/2, Opening: A41

1. d4 d6 2. c4 ② d7 3. ② c3 ② gf6 4. e4 e5 5. d5 c6 6. dxc6 bxc6 7. ② f3 奠 e7 8. 奠 e2 O-O 9. O-O ② c5 10. 豐 c2 奠 g4 11. 奠 e3 ② e6 12. 罩 fd1 豐 c7 13. h3 奠 xf3 14. 奠 xf3 a6 15. a3 罩 fd8 16. 罩 d2 h6 17. 罩 ad1 罩 ac8 18. ② a4 罩 b8 19. c5 dxc5 20. ② xc5 奠 xc5 21. 奠 xc5 ② xc5 22. 豐 xc5 罩 xd2 23. 罩 xd2 罩 b5 Draw agreed. [1/2-1/2]

...to be continued.





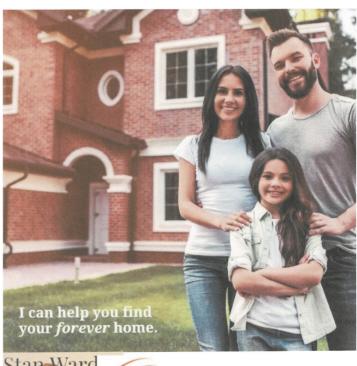
Hollywood Plays Chess



Billy Mumy as Will Robinson and Jonathan Harris as Dr. Zachary Smith, from Season 1 of "Lost in Space" 1965 to 1968 on CBS.

Jonathan Harris was originally brought in to play a villain on the new adventure series. After the initial few episodes, he was scheduled to be killed off. Realizing this Harris began to ad lib some of his lines to give the character of Smith a comedic and loveable bent. It paid off for both Harris and the series as the ratings for the show took off due to Harris's "over the top" portrayal of the evil but loveable Dr. Smith. Scheduled against ABC's hit show Batman, this came at the right time and the two shows competed to see who could be "campier".

The above pictured scene is from episode #3, when Smith was still evil and completely controlled the ships robot, who's claw appendage can be seen in the foreground. It was established in the show that in order to test the robots' circuits you needed to play a game of chess against it.





1984 Lloyds Bank Masters Tournament



Dunnington-Kuznecov. White moves

2



Nunn-Greenfeld White moves

3



Conquest-Short. Black moves



Teichmann-Hartston. Black moves

5



Adams-Saeed. White moves

6



Khadilkar-Norgaard. White moves

7



Kudrin-Conquest. White moves

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Thipsay-Waddingham. White moves

1984/85 Lloyds Bank Masters

- 1) 1.Bg7 with the idea of 2. Rxh7 Kxh7 3. Rh1+ Kg8 and mate next move. If black plays 1..h5 then 2.Rxh5 gxh5 and 3. Qh7 mate.
- 2) 1.Bxh7! If 1...gxh7 then 2. Rg4+ Kh8 3. Qd2! Kh7 4. Re7 Rc7 5. Qd3+ Kh8 6. Rxc7 Qxc7 7. Qd4+ and mate is right not far off.
- 3) 1...Ke4! If 2. gxf6 Rxh7+ 3.Kg4 Bf4 followed by h5 mate. If 2. Rxh7 then Rxh2+ winning the Rook.
- 4) 1...Qh4! If 2. Ke2 then 2...Qg3! and there are too many threats.
- 5) 1. Rd7! Rxc2+ 2. Kf3 Rg6 3. Rd8+ Kg7 4. e7 g4+ 5. hxg4 fxg4+ 6. Kg3 and Black resigned.
- 6) Chernev said, "Leave the brilliancies to Alekhine..."
 The easiest way for White to consolidate is 1. Qxh5 gxh5
 2. Rg3+ Qg7 3.Bxg7 to be followed by 4. Bf6+ Kf8 5. Bh7
 and 6. Rg8 mate.
- 7) Black is forced into zugzwang after 1. R6xe7 Rxe7 2. Bxd6 Re8 3. Kg2! After all of Blacks pawn moves are exhausted he loses the Rook, 3...Kf7 4. Bxe7 Rxe7 5. d6! Rxc7 6. dxc7.
- 8) 1.e5! wins the Bishop on d7. 1...dxe5 2. dxe5 Qg6 3. Qxd7. 1...Qf5? 2. Nh4 traps the lady. If 2...Qf5 then 3. g4 Qg6 4. Nh4