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### NIGEL SHORT CRUSHES SIMUL FIELD; JOHN CURDO SWEEPS FRAMINGHAM OCTAGONAL

British Champion Nigel Short defeated all eleven players who faced him in a simultaneous exhibition in Framingham on Saturday, October 27. It was the first appearance ever in the US by Short, at age 19 the world's youngest Grandmaster. Opposing him were Weston Master Lou Mercuri, MACA President George Mirijanian of Fitchburg, New England Women's Co-champion Vesna Dimitrijevic of Cambridge, Paul Heising of Ashland, Don Wolitzer of Wellesley, Warren Pinches of Boston, Rebecca Targonski of Woburn, Greg Kaden of Weston, Tom Sifter of Quincy, Dick Reil of Ashland, and Peter Miles of Bellingham. The field put up stiff resistance, with most games going into the fourth hour, but ultimately all succumbed. The exhibition was sponsored by the Framingham Chess Club. Short will tape a segment for the Shelby Lyman World Chess Championship telecasts, to be aired 10PM Saturday November 3 on WGBX-Channel 44, before returning to England. His visit to the US was undertaken to discuss arrangements for the proposed match between him and US Champion Lev Alburt, planned for Massachusetts cable TV in January.

The following day, Sunday, October 28, John Curdo demolished the top section of the Framingham Chess Club's one-day octagonal, "Tal Tales", scoring 3-0. Curdo annihilated Jorge Godoy of Marlboro in Round 1 with a whirlwind attack from his favorite Queen's Gambit--Tchigorin, downed Greg Berman, a Kentucky student at Boston University, in Round 2, and captured first place with another kingside assault, this time from a Leningrad Dutch, against second-seeded Alex Slive of Cambridge. Coincidentally, Slive, Berman and Godoy shared second at 2-1. The second octagonal section was won by Edwin Burnett of Wakefield, also 3-0, with Shayne Bowler of Dover NH and Robert Gallucci of Lynn tying for second, while unrated Martin Kreuzer of Waltham impressively slashed his way to a 3-0 score in the third section, ahead of Robert Donahue of Cambridge. It developed afterwards that Kreuzer, a recent emigre from Germany, has an unpublished 2180 FIDE rating and in recent rated games gained a yet-to-be-published provisional USCF rating over 2300. (TDs beware.) Warren Pinches directed the 23-player field for the sponsoring Framingham Chess Club.

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GAMES FROM THE FRAMINGHAM OCTAGONAL, "TAL TALES", OCTOBER 28, 1984

Jorge Godoy (1844) vs. John Curdo (2344), Round 1--Queen's Gambit, Tchigorin

1 d4 d5 2 c4 Nc6 3 Nc3 dxc4 4 d5 Ne5 5 e4 e6 6 Bf4 Ng6 7 Bg3 exd5 8 exd5 Bd6 9 Bxc4  
Nle7 10 Nf3 0-0 11 Qd2 a6 12 a4 Bg4 13 Be2 Nf5 14 Bxd6 Qxd6 15 0-0 Nf4 16 Bd1 Rae8  
17 b4 Nxg2 18 Qg5 Bh3 19 Bc2 h6 20 Qd2 Qg6 21 Kh1 Nf4 22 Nh4 Bg2+ 0-1

Alex Slive (2073) vs. John Curdo (2344), Round 3--Leningrad Dutch

1 d4 f5 2 g6 Nf6 3 Bg2 g6 4 Nf3 Bg7 5 0-0 0-0 6 b3 d6 7 Bb2 c6 8 Nbd2 Qc7 9 Re1 Ne4  
10 c4 Na6 11 Bc1 e5 12 e3 Nb4 13 Nxe4 fxe4 14 Ng5 Nd3 15 Bxe4 Nxf2 16 Qe2 Qe7 17 Rf1  
Bg4 18 Bf3 Qxg5 19 Rxf2 Rxf3 0-1

Martin Kreuzer (UNR) vs. Robert Fox (UNR), Round 3--Petroff Defense

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nf6 3 d4 Nc6 4 dxe5 Nxe4 5 Qd5 Nc5 6 Bc4 Qe7 7 0-0 Nb4 8 Qd2 Nc6 9 Nc3  
Nxe5 10 Nxe5 d6 11 Nxf7 Be6 12 Bxe6 Qxd6 13 Re1 Kxf7 14 Rxe6 Nxe6 15 Qd5 Rb8 16 Qf5+  
Ke7 17 Bg5+ Nxg5 18 Re1+ Kd8 19 Qg5+ Kd7 20 Qf5+ Kc6 21 Qb5++