

Chamberlain Sweeps February Trisectional

John Chamberlain of Wellesley scored 4-0 to win the Open section of the February Trisectional ending February 28; he defeated in turn each of the four players who ultimately tied for second place. Finishing equal second were James Matthews of Dedham, Alonzo Ross of Shrewsbury, Michael Bienenstock of Newton, and Anthony Rothschild of Sherborn, all at 2.5-0.5. Matthews, who lost to Chamberlain in the final round, had previously taken a half-point bye, Rothschild beat Larry Eldridge of Newton in the finale but had previously drawn with Howard Waldman of Northboro, Bienenstock downed Julius Varga of Stow in the final round but had previously drawn with Matthew Rothman of Randolph, and Ross had a shot at clear second but could only draw with Rothman in the last round.

Todd Tsakiris of Northboro blitzed the 22-player Under 1800 section with a 4-0 score; he defeated Kurt Esser of Nashua NH, Henry Blackwell of Framingham, Slawomir Luczak of Worcester, and Michael Perlmutter of Sherborn. Luczak, Perlmutter, and Chris Spellman of Watertown finished equal second with 3-1; Spellman had previously taken a half-point bye and drawn with second-seeded Eric Ogren of Sudbury.

Unrated Kevin Boyle of Stoughton crushed the Under 1500 section with a 4-0 sweep; he won his games against Bryan Flaherty and John Farrell, both of Framingham, Richard O'Keefe of Watertown, and Pippin Petty-Schroepfel of Westboro. The section

CALENDAR

April 4, 11, 18, 25; May 2, 9 (Tuesdays):
1989 FRAMINGHAM CHESS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP. 6-SS in one section. Open, but only club members eligible for title/trophy. EF: FCC members \$12; others \$16. Prizes: \$90-60-30; 1st Under 2000/1750/1500 each \$30.

May 16, 23 (Tuesdays):
FRAMINGHAM SPRING ACTION SWISS. 6-SS in rated and unrated sections; TL SD/30. Three rounds each night. EF: FCC members \$10; others \$14. Prizes: \$50-30-20 in rated section; \$30-20 in unrated section.

May 21 (Sunday): **CIVILIZED SWISS #9.** Note change in date. 3-SS in 8-12 player sections (octagonal format). TL 40/90, SD/45. EF: FCC members \$13 in advance/\$15 at site; others \$15 in advance/\$17 at site. Prizes: \$40-25 each section. Reg 9-9:30 a.m.; rounds 10-2-6. advance entries to: Framingham CC, c/o Warren Pinches, 115 Bay State Road #7, Boston MA 02215.

May 30; June 6, 13 (Tuesdays):
FRAMINGHAM SPRING OCTAGONAL. 3-SS in 8-12 player sections. EF: FCC members \$8; others \$12. Prizes: \$30-20 each section.

had a bizarre finish: in the final round it was not possible to pair the leaders because the rest of the section would otherwise have been unpairable under Swiss-system rules, and Robert Dean of Framingham wound up finishing clear second at 2.5-0.5, despite losing in the last round to Ray Jaeger of Framingham.

Chamberlain Also Takes March Octos

John Chamberlain of Wellesley defeated top-seeded Vas Vasilev, as well as Mike Grant of Somerville and Howard Waldman of Northboro on his way to a 3-0 score and first place in the March Octos, ending March 28. Vasilev and Alonzo Ross of Northboro scored 2-1 for shares of second; Ross's only loss was to Mike Dreese of Allston.

Anthony Rothschild of Sherborn won the second section 3-0; unfortunately two of his wins were by forfeiture. Equal second with 2-1 were Phil Wilkins of Newton, Frank Harvey of Framingham, and Julius Varga of Stow; Wilkins had lost to Varga in the first round, while Harvey lost to top-seeded Matthew Rothman of Randolph, and Varga missed a round due to car trouble.

Bob Oakley of Newton and Dave Greenberg, who had just moved to Ashland, tied for first in the third section with 2.5-0.5; they had drawn each other in the second round. In the final round Greenberg defeated unrated Trygve Fossum (the clear leader after two rounds), while Oakley bested Slawomir Luczak of Worcester.

A three-way tie for first was the outcome of section four, among Mark Steinberg of Framingham, Michael Perlmutter of Sherborn, and Henry Blackwell of Framingham, all at 2.5-0.5. Perlmutter and Blackwell drew each other in the final round, allowing Steinberg, who had taken a half-point bye, to catch them with a win over Stan Crowe of Newton.

Donna Alarie of Rutland swept the fifth section 3-0 with wins over Tom Powers of Sudbury, John Farrell of Framingham, and Dave Berube of Westboro; precisely these three players shared second place with scores of 2-1.

MARCH CIVILIZED SWISS: Chamberlain Wins Again

John Chamberlain of Wellesley scored 3-0 to win the upper section of Civilized Swiss #7 on March 5, defeating in turn Frank Deming of Winchester, Tom Zuppa of Billerica, and top-seeded Vas Vasilev of Australia. The sweep was the fourth tournament victory by Chamberlain in three months. Vasilev and Sam Lyles of Canton emerged equal second at 2-1, after Zuppa and Antonio Gellineau of Northboro drew in the final round.

Stan Crowe of Newton won the lower section with 2.5-0.5; the only nick in his score was a second-round draw with Mark Steinberg of Framingham. Steinberg, Dave Greenberg, and Reza Khoshkhou tied for second with 2-1; Khoshkhou lost to Greenberg in the second round, while Greenberg lost to Crowe in the game that decided first place.

APRIL CIVILIZED SWISS: Mercuri Sweeps Field

Newton Master Lou Mercuri defeated three straight Experts to sweep the top section of Civilized Swiss #8 on April 2. The section included three Masters and seven Experts. Falling in turn to Mercuri were Vas Vasilev of Australia, David Drumm of Framingham, and John Chamberlain of Wellesley; Chamberlain had hopes of yet another upset after downing in the first two rounds Masters Richard Gutman of Somerville and Stanley Targonski of Holyoke. Chamberlain and Targonski shared second with 2-1.

Reza Khoshkhou dominated the lower section, scoring 3-0 despite commuting to work between rounds. Sharing second at 2-1 were two of Khoshkhou's victims, Stan Crowe of Newton and Woody Wink of Billerica, as well as Theodore

Williams of Stow and unrated Dana Travis of Holyoke.

Election, Club Charter Subjects at Annual Meeting

Results of the election of club officers for 1989-1990 were announced at the club's Annual Meeting of the General Membership on March 7. Jack Martin of Wayland was re-elected to a third term as President, and Bill McAllister of Framingham was elected to a full term as Treasurer; Bill had been appointed to fill a vacancy in that position last June. Mark Steinberg of Framingham, a former Member-at-Large, moved up to the Vice-Presidency, while former Vice-President Brad Merrill of Westboro moved over to the position of Program Director. Warren Pinches of Boston, who had served six terms as Program Director, took over the post of club Secretary. (Pinches received enough write-in votes to win two other officer positions, but contented himself with a single post.) Incumbent Members-at-Large Tom Zuppa of Billerica (a two-term club President) and Dave Berube of Westboro were re-elected; joining them will be Mike Dreese of Allston and Donna Alarie of Rutland. All candidates ran unopposed. Not running for re-election were Paul

McClanahan of Wrentham, Paul Heising of Millbury, and Bob Matheson of Natick.

The meeting also approved a new club Charter, which replaces the original 1983 charter; most of the changes were of an administrative nature, with the most noteworthy change being an expansion of the role of the Membership Secretary and a renaming of that position to Secretary. The only motion raised on the floor and passed by the meeting was a motion to restrict the prize eligibility of unrated players in the lower sections of club weeknight tournaments.

Mercuri Tops March Speed

In the speed tournament that followed the annual meeting on March 7, Lou Mercuri of Newton tied with John Chamberlain of Wellesley 4-1 in the finals, but took clear first by winning a playoff game. Other finalists qualifying from the three preliminary sections were Vas Vasilev of Australia, Bob Oakley of Newton (an upset qualifier, since his rating was only 1654), Jack Young of Acton (a two-time club speed champion), and Alonzo Ross of Northboro. The three preliminary sections included 32 players.