



## Broadbeach Cup Chess Tournament 2008

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What a day for chess, cold and rainy and what a great turn out. 57 Chess Players participated in the tournament, including top players as International Master Peter Froehlich (2350), Felix Klein (2270) from Germany, Ben Lazarus (2206), Rajko Mastilovic (2128), FM Nakauchi Gene (1962), Phachara Wongwichit (1949), Tony Davis (1853) from Victoria, Ryan Stevens from South Africa and Veteran David Lovejoy (1851). That was the age mixture from 9 Year old Junior as Daniel Lapitan to 80 Year old Joe Kingston. Also we had a several new unrated players who wanted to test their strength as Ian Aylward, Branko Coric and Luke Willis.

Oh, I nearly forgot, does anyone know who left their shoes behind at the venue?:



Canteen has been run by Margot Karibasic and Melanie Karibasic who managed this time to make snacks richer with Margot's kebabs.

We cannot forget Margot's burgers which chess players have recognised as the best burgers of all tournaments in Queensland, therefore well known Peninsula burgers advertised by President of Redcliffe Chess Club Mark Stokes, became history and he may need a new recipe. Melanie Karibasic added a new drink in the canteen with a hot chocolate maker and juniors loved this idea, and especially when Melanie served what made them sometimes to spill hot chocolate over the floor.

On the first day of the tournament our special guest Grandmaster Dejan Antic did analyse finished games for free of charge.



Grandmaster Dejan Antic has given direction to each player on their weakness and recommended books to read and improve their chess. On this day most active were Daniel Ford, Ryan Stevens, Yi Liu, John Atherton, Alex Miles, Mc McCarthy Oliver, Alex Stahnke and Leteisha Simmonds who spent most of their free time with GM Antic analysing their games:



In the first round Kyle Ringrose gave IM Peter Froehlich

A tough game characterised with a fighting spirit but on the end the difference in the rating points has shown who is in charge. The only surprise was a win by unrated player Branko Coric over Peter Bender (1227).

Second round went with some small surprises as one of them was that John Atherton (690) drew with Letisha Simmonds (1000) who is currently Australian Junior Champion under 12, John Alkin (1646) drew with Felix Klein (2270) from Germany. Liu Yi (1601) gave the good game to IM Peter Froehlich and did not let him win so easy. Mathew Pyper (Unr-ACF) beat Oliver McCarthy (891), William Bay (Unr) won against Kyle Ringrose.

In the third round Veteran David Lovejoy (1851) gave the tough game but IM Froehlich managed to score another point. Amir Karibasic drew with Nenad Chelebichanin (1666), Kenji Nakauchi (728)



beat Brent Winston (948), and Mark Cervenjak (Unr) won his game against Robbie Peck (1059), who has been recently in very good form.

Second day and 4th round did not give a big surprise but the position in the endgame between IM Froehlich and Phachara Wongwichit, game was looking like a draw but Phachara wanted to much and International master managed again to show his experience at the chess board and went to



relax to restroom with Pocket Fritz and 4 points. Daniel Lapitan (867) drew against Robbie Peck, James Todd drew with Alex Arase who was for me the favourite one to win PlayStation portable as a main prize for juniors, John Atherton drew with Allan Foster (837) and Samuel Mainwood won against Daniel Arase.

In the 5<sup>th</sup> round everyone started to sharpen their swords and try to achieve important win in this round. Jonas Muller tried to do his best against his coach IM Froehlich but with no success. Daniel Ford (1568) made a surprise win over David Lovejoy (1851) in long lasting game. Alex Miles (975)



achieved win over 80 Year old, Joe Kingston (1566).

Finally, sixth round, great finale with a game: Felix Klein vs. IM Froehlich IM Froehlich



which ended in a draw and IM secured first place and prize of \$500. Klein Felix was happy with second place and \$200 prize money. Young player, Jonas Muller ( 1662) beat Oleg Korenevski in exciting game and won 3 position and prize of \$100.

Amir Karibasic(1427) won 1<sup>st</sup> place under 1600 division and prize money \$200,



Daniel Ford:

took second position and won \$100 followed by chess legend Axel Stahnke (1393):



who won \$50 prize money.

In the juniors under 1000 division main prize:



Play station portable went to Alex Miles(975) who played excellent in this tournament and deserved first position in the front of Daniel Lapitan who was just a little bit unlucky.

Young John Atherton (won Mobile phone Nokia Express music main prize under 700 rating:



In Adult division Adam Lomsargis (989) won \$100 as under 1000 player:



As our special guests Peter Bender (Gold Coast Open organiser), who gave me a hand to manage all unexpected entries and start the tournament on time, Leteisha Simmonds :



(Current Australian Champion under 12), who was the only girl who played in this tournament and Yi Liu (first entered for Surfers Paradise Open 2008) have received hardcover scoresheet book.

Hopefully we are going to see all of these people in upcoming Surfers Paradise Open 2008 chess tournament. For more information visit: [www.kingsofchess.biz](http://www.kingsofchess.biz) or download entry form from which especially for you has been designed by Nenad Chelebichanin:



[www.kingsofchess.biz/SPO2008-entry-form-02f-black.pdf](http://www.kingsofchess.biz/SPO2008-entry-form-02f-black.pdf)

See you in August!



