THE "MEPHISTO AWARD"

The ICCA Journal is pleased to announce the creation of an annual award for the publication which, in the opinion of the jury, makes the biggest contribution to computer chess.

The award will be made each year for publications dated during the period April 1St - March 31St (the March date being in the year of presentation of the award). The jury will consist of the President, Vice-President and Secretary of the ICCA, together with the Editor of the ICCA Journal and a fifth, invited juror. For the first award we are honoured to have Ken Thompson as the invited juror.

Any publication on or related to computer chess may be considered, and the award is not limited to papers presented in the *ICCA Journal*.

The chess-computer manufacturers Hegener + Glaser, who are based in Munich, West Germany, have kindly agreed to sponsor this award for a 5 year period. Each year they will present the winner with their top-of-the-line chess computer, with their strongest commercially available program. The chess computer will have a small metal plaque engraved with the winner's name.

The ICCA is extremely greatful to Hegener + Glaser, and the name "Mephisto Award" reflects the success of their products in the past few World Microcomputer Championships.

The first award will cover publications dated April 1st, 1987 to March 31st, 1988, and will be announced at the ACM Computer Championships in Orlando, Florida (November 13th-15th).

CALL FOR PAPERS

COMPUTER-CHESS WORKSHOP

Edmonton, Canada May 28 - June 1, 1989

The World Computer-Chess Championships are being held in conjunction with the annual conference of the Canadian Information Processing Society. Papers are sollicited on all aspects of computer chess (and other related games) including, but not limited to:

search algorithms search analysis

knowledge representation knowledge acquisition

parallelism architectures learning program design databases

planning

historical perspectives

Both original research and survey papers will be considered. The organizing committee is interested in both full papers (to be considered for inclusion in the conference proceedings or to be published in the ICCA Journal), or extended abstracts (for short presentations at the conference). Please send 4 copies of the paper/abstract to

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