THE 12th WORLD MICROCOMPUTER CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP Munich, October 31st - November 7th 1993

Information for Participants

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The 12th World Microcomputer Chess Championship tournament will take place from October 31st to November 7th at Weinfurtners Garden-Hotel, 8000 München 40, Schwabing Leopoldstrasse 132. Telephone: +49 89 368004. Fax: +49 89 362089. Thank to the generous sponsorship of *Computerschach und Spiele* I believe that this year's event could be the best ever!

The Tournament Director until November 5th will be Professor Jaap van den Herik, and on November 6th and 7th it will be David Levy. The commentator for most days will be International Grandmaster Helmut Pfleger, who will be replaced on November 5th and 6th by another Grandmaster. The commentator will be responsible for helping in the adjudication of any unfinished games.

The rate of play will be 60 moves in 150 minutes by each program. Any games which have not been completed will be adjudicated after Black has made its 60th move and the adjudications will be based on the assumption of best play by both sides.

Players using PCs will be able to borrow Acer 486-66 computers free of charge, provided that they advise me not later than October 15th. Anyone wishing to use a different type of computer will be responsible for arranging their own machine.

An excursion is being organized to the famous Bavarian castle in Neuschwanstein for the free day (November 4th). There will be no charge for participants. There will also be a sight-seeing tour of Munich (without charge) on the morning of November 2nd.

A list of entries as at September 22nd 1993 is given in Table 1. Entries for the Manufacturers' Group will close without exception on September 30th. Additional entries for the Software Group may still be accepted at the discretion of the ICCA.

The winner of the Software Group will be awarded the title of "World Microcomputer Chess Software Champion". The highest-placed program in that group which is written by a non-professional chess programmer will win the Amateur World Championship title. The winner of the Manufacturers' Group will be awarded the title of "World Chess Computer Manufacturers' Champion". The winner of the play-off match on November 7th between the winners of the two groups will be awarded the title of "Absolute World Microcomputer Chess Champion".

Playing Schedule

Round 1: October 31, 5:00-10:00 p.m.; rounds 2 and 3: November 1, 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and 5:00-10:00 p.m.; round 4: November 2, 3:00-8:00 p.m.; rounds 5 and 6: November 3, 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and 5:00-10:00 p.m.; rounds 7 and 8: November 5, 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and 5:00-10:00 p.m.; round 9: November 6, 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. A blitz tournament is scheduled for November 6, 4:30-7:30 p.m. The celebration of the winners will be on the same day from 8:00 p.m. onwards. Playoff rounds and an additional blitz tournament are organized at the last day of the event, November 7, 11:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

If you have any questions, please fax David Levy at +44 71 482 0672.

Program	Programmer(s)	Country
Software Group		
BB	Jolly Christophe	France
Bobby II	Hans-Joachim Kraas, Gunther Schrüfer	Germany
Breakthrough	Werner Koch	Germany
Centaur	V. Vikhrev, Alexei Manjakhin	Russia
Chess Brain 1.0	Karl-Heinz Milaster	Germany
Diogenes	Jorg Burwitz	Germany
Ecume X	Jean-Christophe Weill, Marc-Francois Baudot	France
Experimental	Wolfgang Delmare, Thorsten Kohfeldt	Germany
Gandalf	Steen Suurballe	Denmark
Greif	Michael Ehrig	Germany
Hiarcs	Mark Uniacke	England
Kallisto	Bart Weststrate, Frans van der Eng	Netherlands
Kasparov SPARC Module	Dan Spracklen, Kathe Spracklen	USA
M_Chess Pro X	Marty Hirsch, (openings book Sandro Necchi)	USA
Magellan	Karl Pevny	Austria
Mephisto Genius 2.0	Richard Lang	England
Mephisto Gideon	Ed Schröder	Netherlands
Mirage	Yuri Shpeer, Vladimir Rybinkin	Russia
Nightmare	Reinhold Gellner	Germany
Nimzo-Guernica	Ch. Donninger, A. Kure	Austria
Now	Mark Lefler	Germany
Pandix	Gyula Horvath, Zsuzsa Horvath	Hungary
Pearl of Undermain	Dieter Werner	Germany
Pschach	Peter Sucker	Germany
Quest	Frans Morsch	Netherlands
SOS	Rudolf Huber	Germany
The King	Johan de Koning	Netherlands
Ulysses 1.0	Ulf Lorenz, Valentin Rottmann	Germany
Viktor 2	Wolfgang Rausch, Dieter Gotz	Germany
Manufacturers' Group		
Mephisto-Genius	Richard Lang - Hegener + Glaser AG	England
Kasparov RISC 2500	Johan de Koning - Saitek	Netherlands
SPARC MODULE	Kathe Spracklen, Dan Spracklen - Saitek	USA
The King	Johan de Koning - TASC BV	Netherlands

Table 1: List of Participants as at September 22nd.

CALENDAR OF COMPUTER-CHESS EVENTS

1993

October 9 - 12

The 1st Spanish Chess-Programs Championship to be held in Barcelona, Spain.

Details: Josep Parés i Vives, c/o Chessformat, Aragón 390, S. Atico 14, 08013 Barcelona, Spain.

October 23 - 24 / November 13 - 14

The 13th Dutch Computer-Chess Championship, to be held in Leiden, The Netherlands.

Details: Theo van der Storm, Wethouder Driessenstraat 5, 1107 XG Amsterdam ZO, The Netherlands.

October 31 - November 7

The 12th World Microcomputer Chess Championship, to be held in Munich, Germany.

Details: David Levy, 89, Constantine Road, London NW3 2LP, UK.

[See also pages 115-116 of the June 1993 issue and pages 174-175 of this issue.]

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April 27 - 29 / May 2 - 4

The 1994 AEGON Man-Computer Tournament, to be held in The Hague, The Netherlands.

Details: Cock de Gorter, Valkenboskade 607, 2563 JE The Hague, The Netherlands.