

This shows the ICCA approximately broke even during 1993 (a marginal loss of 500 dollars). This compares with an increase of 13,400 dollars during 1992. The year 1992 was noted at the time to be exceptionally favourable, however.

The Journal continues to be produced at a loss of nearly 30 dollars per year per subscriber. Although the ICCA broke even during 1993, the outlook for 1994 is unclear. At the time of writing, due to lack of sponsorship so far, no tournament is under preparation. So the financial outlook for 1994/95 has to be rated as uncertain.

Therefore, I am recommending to the ICCA board that the subscription rate goes up to 40 dollars for 1995. This partial defense against potentially lower income from tournaments and sponsorship in 1994/95 would still leave the Journal price far below the economic break-even level of 60 dollars/year.

Subscription increases are always unwelcome, but after a fixed price held fixed for 7 years (in Dutch currency – the decline of the dollar during that period moved the dollar price from 25 to 30), and with a new price still at only two-thirds of actual cost, it is clear that members would continue to get an excellent bargain.

I must stress that this is only a *prudent treasurer's* recommendation at this stage, and not an ICCA decision. The ICCA board will consider the matter during 1994.

Overall, the financial picture is satisfactory, and the recent success of tournament events remains highly encouraging for the future of the ICCA.

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[Dr. Kopec writes to suggest the following extension to the literature referred to in the paper *Extracting Information from Endgame Databases* by John Nunn, *ICCA Journal*, Vol. 16, No. 4, pp. 193-194, remarking that the same papers could usefully supplement the literature references of an earlier paper by Lars Rasmussen, viz. *A Database for KRKP*, *ICCA Journal*, Vol. 11, No. 4, pp. 144-151 (1988).]

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