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is the Yearbook of the International Go Federation. The name refers to an ancient Chinese legend testifying to the fascination of go. A woodcutter, coming upon two mountain sages enjoying a game of go, paused to watch. When it finished, so much time had passed that he found that the handle of his axe had rotted away. 'Ranka' literally means 'the rotted axe handle', and the term has become a poetic name for go.

In publishing this Yearbook, the IGF hopes that it will make a contribution to linking lovers of the game all round the world and to conveying to them the fascination of the game.

In this issue

*A detailed report on the 16th World Amateur Go Championship. This tournament was won by Hiraoka Satoshi of Japan, the first really young player to represent Japan in the WAGC and also the first Japanese player to win it with a perfect score.

*Reports on two other amateur tournaments organized by the IGF: the 5th World Women's Amateur Go Championship and the 5th International Amateur Pair Go Tournament, both of which featured participation by teams from around the world. *An extensive coverage of developments in go-playing countries around the world during 1994. This section, 'Go Around the World', is the latest update on the world go scene.

*Our triannual listing of the world's go clubs: where to play, when to play, in whatever country you happen to be in.

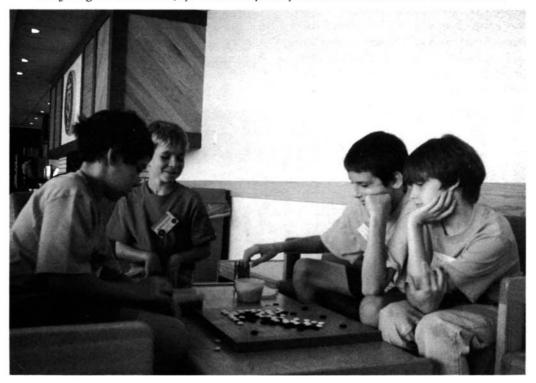
*A calendar of results in Western go tournaments.



A scene from the 5th World Women's Amateur Go Championship (Korea v. China)



The youngest students at Jujo's boot camp: Benjamin Garlock and Pierre-Yves LaFleche



Some of the children who attended the 10th US Go Congress: Danny Saltman, Benjamin Garlock, Adam Benthem, and Kian Wilcox. For more details, see 'Go Around the World'.

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Note: In the main body of the Yearbook (page 6 on), Japanese, Chinese and Korean names are given with the family name first, but it has not been possible to be consistent with Asian players living in Western countries.

On the Publication of the 1995 Yearbook

The aim of this magazine, which was founded in 1985, is to present news about developments in international go to go fans around the world in order to popularize the game more widely and to strengthen the bonds of friendship among all those who love the game. Thanks to the generous cooperation of the members of the International Go Federation, we have since then published an issue every year and are now able to present our eleventh issue to our readers.

This issue features reports on three tournaments that have made important contributions to the internationalization of go and to increasing its popularity around the world: the 16th World Amateur Go Championship, the 5th Yokohama Sotetsu Cup: the World Women's Amateur Go Championship, and the 5th International Amateur Pair Go Championship. The organizing of these three tournaments was the main activity of the International Go Federation last year. In this issue we also present reports on recent developments in member countries.

Go is a strange and wonderful game: even if the players do not understand each other's languages, playing just a few games will enable them to understand each other and become friends. There are now about 50 countries that play go, and the go population of the world far exceeds 30 million. Both in fact and in name, go has firmly established itself as one of the leading intellectual games of the world.

We will be very happy if this magazine can play a role in promoting the worldwide development of go by serving as a source of information. The International Go Federation will continue its efforts to promote international cultural exchange and contribute to world peace by helping to spread go around the world.

On the occasion of the publication of this issue, we would like to thank all our members for their cooperation. We look forward to your continued assistance and support in the future.



Shizuo Asada President International Go Federation

10 March 1995

Editor's Foreword

Thanks to the generous cooperation of all our members, *Ranka*, the annual bulletin of the International go Federation, has now reached its eleventh issue. Once every three years we publish a larger than usual issue to present a comprehensive report on new developments in international go. The topics featured in this issue are:

•The 16th World Amateur Go Championship;

•The 5th World Women's Amateur Go Championship;

•The 5th International Amateur Pair Go Championship;

The annual survey of member countries;

•An up-to-date listing of go clubs around the world.

We hope that readers will find this bulletin of interest and that it will serve to inform them about recent developments in international go. We welcome suggestions and comments to help us improve *Ranka* further, so that it will serve as a bridge on a global scale linking players everywhere. We also look forward to contributions from around the world for future issues.

In closing, we would like to express our gratitude to all the people around the world whose cooperation and assistance have made the publication of this bulletin possible.

Yusuke Oeda Office Director IGF

Compiler's Foreword

The IGF Office would like to thank all the contributors to this issue of *Ranka* for their generosity in responding to our request for submissions. We are particularly grateful to those who submitted their reports on floppy discs, thus saving us some time in the task of putting together this issue. (Our medium of choice is text file, IBM-compatible.)

In this issue, we have attempted to present as comprehensive a picture as possible of developments in world go, though, as always, the availability of commentaries has led to a focus on the Far East in the presentation of game analyses. However, we are happy once again to be able to present a wide variety of reports from go-playing countries around the world. We would like to record our gratitude to all of those people who have taken the trouble to write these reports and send them in. Every three years we present a listing of go clubs around the world, which we hope will be useful to our readers. The listing in this issue is as complete as we could make it, but please note that we have refrained from publishing club lists for which we have not received an update during the last year.

The compiler would like to express his gratitude to the following persons for their invaluable help with proofreading: Tony Atkins, Peter Blommers, James Davies, Jochen Fassbender, Richard Hunter, Jon Wood, and Rob van Zeijst. Needless to say, the compiler is responsible for any errors that remain. I would also like to thank the typesetter, Chikara Shokuji, for their patience and forbearance.

John Power

The 16th World Amateur Go Championship

The Kyoto tournament

The 1994 World Amateur Go Championship had perhaps its most beautiful setting so far, being staged in the ancient city of Kyoto as one of the functions in the city's celebrations of the 1200th anniversary of its founding. The tournament hotel was conveniently located in the middle of the city, making it easy to do some sightseeing if a game finished early and putting the city's nightlife within easy reach for players wanting to unwind. That did not stop the competition from being as fierce and hardfought as ever, however,

Japan's new star sweeps to victory

The 16th World Amateur Go Championship was a triumph for Hiraoka Satoshi, the first player of the younger generation to represent Japan in this tournament. Hiraoka is a



Hiraoka: Japan's youngest WAGC champion



The 16th WAGC in full swing



The game that decided the tournament: Hiraoka defeats Chou of Chinese Taipei in Round 6.

university student and is, at 22, decades younger than the usual Japanese representative. He is the first Japanese player to win the tournament with a perfect record. After all the ties in recent years, it was satisfying to see a clear-cut result, but we don't want to give the impression that the tournament was a walkover. Fourteen-year-



Ivan Detkov of Russian is unable to slow down the Hiraoka juggernaut (Round 3).

old Chou Chun Shu of Chinese Taipei, who was quickly established as one of the favourites when the tournament started, provided tough opposition. Chou, in fact, made the early running in the tournament, defeating Korea in the fourth round and China in the fifth. With both players on 5-0 when they clashed in the sixth round, it was clear that this game was going to decide the tournament. Hiraoka's greater experience secured victory for him, but Chou showed that he was a very talented player. He did not lose any other games, so he finished up in 2nd place with seven wins. Wang Cun of China, another young player, at 20, lost to Hiraoka in the last round and so had to be contented with 3rd place. Kim Se Hyun of Korea was out of luck: he had the same number of wins as Wang and the same SOS, but he was forced down into 4th place because of a lower SODOS. Korea seems to be jinxed in the world amateur championship: its failure to win a WAGC is guite a contrast to its near monopoly of international professional titles recently.



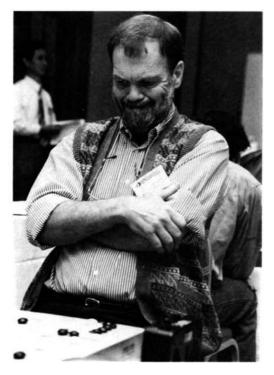
Studies in concentration: 1. John Lee (USA)



Huseyin Karali (left) marked his country's debut in the WAGC by scoring three wins, but he had no luck in his first game, against Eduard Ekart of Slovenia.



No hard feelings: Jose Chacon of Mexico loses to Colin Grierson of New Zealand (Round 1).

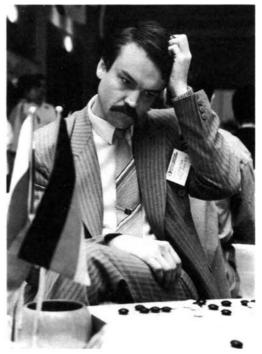


Studies in concentration: 2. Paul Edwards (South Africa)

Once again some very fine performances were posted by Western representatives. Eighteen-year-old John Lee of the U.S. followed hot on the heels of the Far Eastern players, taking 5th place with six wins. His only losses were to Kim of Korea and Hiraoka of Japan. The 'dark horse' of the tournament was Robert Mateescu of Romania. Robert, aged 22, showed just how much benefit he had got out of his period of training as an insei at the Nihon Ki-in when he defeated Kim of Korea in the 6th round. If memory serves, that makes Mateescu the second player to defeat one of the Far Eastern powerhouses of go, following Ronald Schlemper's victories over Japan and China in the 13th WAGC in 1991. Mateescu finished with six wins and secured 6th place. His losses were to Japan and China, which is nothing to be ashamed of.

Heading the ten-player group on five points was Ivan Detkov of Russia, who improved by one place on the previous best result for a USSR or Russian representative at the WAGC. The prize-winning group was





Studies in concentration: 3. Franz-Josef Dickhut (Germany)

Studies in concentration: 4. Ivan Detkov (Russia)



Reviewing a game: Michiel Eijkhout of the Netherlands (left) goes over his fourth-round loss to Andras Gondor of Hungary (right) with the assistance (?) of Rob van Zeijst (centre) and Norman Chadwick (extreme left)

rounded out by Andras Gondor of Hungary, who made his best finish in seven appearances in the WAGC.

There were many other sterling performances, of course, as a glance at the tournament chart on page 13 will make clear. And, of course, some players will have to console themselves with the thought that they had gained valuable experience. Here we would just like to draw attention to the performances of players from the three countries participating for the first time. Iouri Ledovskii of the Ukraine played well and made the group with five wins. Judging by his excellent results in European tournaments, however, he may well have been aiming higher than 13th place. The other two new countries were South Africa and Turkey, where go is still a relatively young game, so their representatives, Paul Edwards and Huseyin Karali, have reason to be satisfied with being able to pick up two wins and three wins respectively in a tournament in which the competition is getting tougher and tougher every year.



Studies in concentration: 5. Huseyin Karali (Turkey)



The prize winners: (L to R, front) 1st: Hiraoka Satoshi (Japan); 2nd: Chou Chun Hsun (Ch. Taipei); 3rd: Wang Cun (China); 4th: Kim Se Hyun (Korea); (back row) 5th: John Lee (USA); 6th: Robert Mateescu (Romania); 7th: Ivan Detkov (Russia); 8th: Andras Gondor (Hungary)



A traditional Japanese dance at the Farewell Party



The secret of Hiraoka's success? A banner set up by his fans exhorting him to 'Gambare!!' (Do your best!!)

At the General Meeting, three new members were welcomed to the IGF ranks: in 1995 Indonesia, Cuba, and Slovakia will make their debuts in the 17th WAGC, which will be held in Tokyo in May 1995.

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16th	World	Amateur	Go	Championship	(Kyoto	1994)

Place	Name	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	SOS
1	Hiraoka (Japan)	122	217	37	46	5^{18}	6 ²	7 ⁵	8 ³	42
2	Chou (Ch. Taipei)	127	2 ¹⁹	39	44	5 ³	51	68	712	43
3	Wang (China)	125	28	329	410	42	57	66	61	43
4	Kim (Korea)	121	2^{15}	35	3^{2}	411	4^{6}	513	610	43
5	Lee (USA)	134	2^{13}	24	3^{24}	49	5^{10}	5^{1}	67	41
6	Mateescu (Romania)	139	2^{20}	3^{18}	3^{1}	48	54	5^{3}	623	39
7	Detkov (Russia)	111	2^{31}	2 ¹	3^{12}	420	4 ³	5^{14}	5 ²	42
8	Gondor (Hungary)	138	13	2^{15}	317	3^{6}	423	4 ²	522	39
9	Nechanicky (Czech)	129	222	2 ²	321	35	313	426	524	37
10	Kan (Hong Kong)	144	228	312	3^{3}	414	45	5^{16}	54	37
11	Dickhut (Germany)	07	142	2^{16}	313	34	415	420	5 ²⁵	36
12	Heiser (Luxembourg)	123	2^{32}	210	27	329	422	517	5 ²	35
13	Ledovskii (Ukraine)	143	15	227	211	332	49	44	517	34
14	Ben Malek (France)	124	118	2^{30}	3^{19}	3^{10}	425	47	5 ²⁰	33
15	Penz (Austria)	133	14	18	230	326	311	421	531	33
16	Hansen (Denmark)	017	137	111	236	339	418	410	519	30
17	Eijkhout (Netherlands)	116	11	235	28	327	420	412	413	39
18	Sasaki (Brazil)	140	214	26	323	3^{1}	3^{16}	319	430	37
19	Munoz (Spain)	126	12	121	114	2 ³⁶	335	418	416	35
20	Choi (Canada)	135	16	2 ³⁹	328	37	317	411	414	34
21	Cann (UK)	04	126	2 ¹⁹	2 ⁹	222	334	315	433	34
22	Bates (Austrlia)	01	09	142	240	321	312	433	48	34
23	Ong (Singapore)	012	138	231	218	324	38	428	46	34
24	Soldan (Polaod)	014	141	2 ²⁵	2 ⁵	223	330	427	49	33
25	Flood (Norway)	0 ³	140	124	241	328	314	436	411	31
26	Siivola (Finland)	019	021	132	234	215	339	39	429	29
27	Yeo (Malaysia)	02	113	143	237	217	342	324	435	29
28	Ekart (Slovenia)	137	110	241	220	2 ²⁵	329	323	440	27
29	Borloz (Switzerland)	09	134	13	235	212	228	339	326	32
30	Wettach (Belgium)	032	133	114	115	231	224	341	318	29
31	Grierson (NZ)	136	17	123	132	130	240	334	315	28
32	Pedrini (Italy)	130	112	126	231	213	233	235	339	28
33	Chairasmisak (Thailand)	015	030	034	138	240	332	322	321	27
34	Alaluf (Argentina)	05	029	133	126	241	221	231	343	26
35	Persson (Sweden)	020	136	117	129	244	219	332	327	25
36	Chacon (Mexico)	031	035	144	116	119	237	225	342	24
37	Karali (Turkey)	028	016	143	127	142	136	244	341	21
38	Gibson (Ireland)	08	023	040	033	143	141	242	344	19
39	Ishida (Japan)	06	144	120	243	216	226	229	232	26
40	Edwards (South Africa)	018	025	138	122	133	131	243	228	26
41	Sebrosa (Portugal)	142	124	128	125	134	238	230	237	26
42	De Grange (Chile)	041	0 ¹¹	022	144	237	227	238	236	24
43	Romero (Venezuela)	013	027	037	039	038	144	140	134	22
44	Tan (Philippines)	010	039	036	042	035	043	037	038	22

Games from the Tournament

Round 2: Luxembourg v. Italy

White: Enzo Pedrini 2-dan (Italy) Black: Laurent Heiser 6-dan (Luxembourg) Played on 24 May 1994. Commentary by Amayake Nobuo 7-dan.

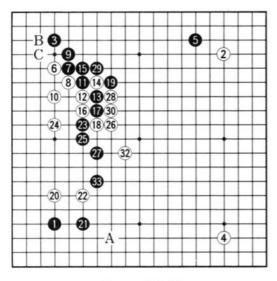


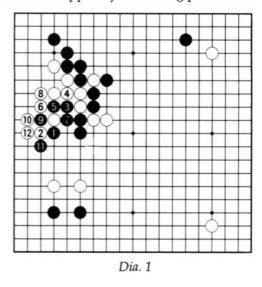
Figure 1 (1–33) 31: connects

Figure 1 (1-33). The key points go begging.

White 18. White could also extend at 23; after Black 18 and White 19, White would have a more comfortable position in the centre. If Black answered White 23 with 19, White would have sente.

White 20 is a bad mistake: White must not let Black cut at 23, so making a diagonal connection at 25 is the only move. In this game, White tries too hard to develop fast (Pedrini admitted that he let the difference in rank between himself and his opponent affect his play), and White 20 and 22 are the first manifestations of this. Since he receives a *komi*, White should play leisurely and let Black worry about making up for the *komi*.

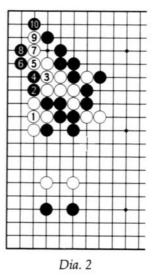
White 22. Again, White must play at 25. White 22 is the wrong direction — if he defended at 25, he could aim at attacking at A, which would push Black towards White's strong position above. White A would aim at developing the virgin territory on the bottom right; White 22 develops nothing when it's handicapped by the cutting point at 23.



Black 27. Now it's Black's turn to miss the key point. He must attach at 1 in *Dia.* 1.

Dia. 1. If White resists with 2, Black hits him with 3. White is forced to give way up to 12, which is very painful. Note that 8 is forced. If instead White connects at 9 -

Dia. 2. His corner stones are captured after 2.



Therefore, White must give way with 2 at 9 in *Dia.* 1, though of course that is very

painful. Heiser passed up every opportunity to play at 1 in this diagram because he was aiming at the placement at 43 in Figure 2, but his judgement was askew. The former is a middle-game move, the latter an endgame one.

White 28, 30. Even after this squeeze, White remains weak on both sides (he also loses the *aji* of B, which Black can't counter at C so long as 14 is on the board).

Black 33. The reader knows where this move should be.

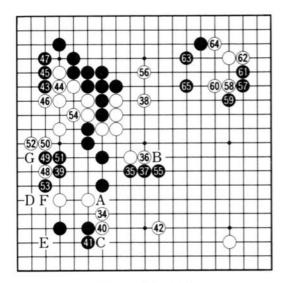
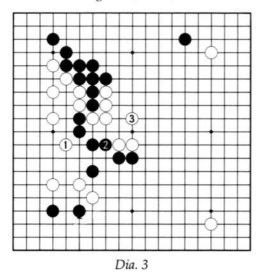
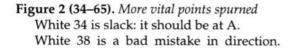


Figure 2 (34-65)

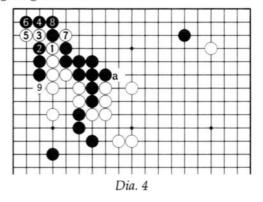




The black group on the top left is very strong, so playing anywhere near it is pointless. The fight is taking place in the centre, so White should not desert the battle-field. Extending at B or playing a *hane* at 55 would be more relevant. Another possibility is to play 1 in *Dia. 3*, which would punish Black for his repeated refusals to attack at the vital point. White 1 provokes Black 2, which in turn makes defending at 3 natural.

Black 39. Again, we know where this should be.

White 42. Having pushed down once at 40, White should continue with C. That would put pressure on the corner stones — for example, White can play D, which makes *miai* of E and 49. If Black attached at F to forestall White D, that would help White by giving him the *hane* above F.



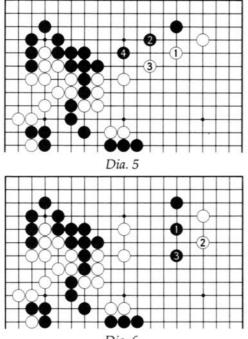
White 46. White should first force with 1 to 7 in *Dia.* 4. The result on the left side with 9 is the same; the difference is the presence of 7, which creates useful *aji* at the top (White can aim at invading the centre top; at the least, White 'a' becomes more forceful).

White 48 is like a fight between family members (*kyodai-genka*) — it hurts his group above. Submissive though it may appear, he should simply make eye shape with 54. White 50 makes 48 look awful and he ends up having to play 54 anyway.

Black 53 should be at G. When Black plays G, White has no continuation (of any use) in this area, but 53 makes White F a good move.

White 56 is too close to Black's thickness and in any case it's not as big as it looks. White can't touch Black's territory to the left, so he is only reducing potential territory at the centre top while making none for himself. If he wants to play at the top, it would be more interesting to follow *Dia*. 5. White's moves here have more future.

Black 57 fails to finish the game quickly by allowing White to create complications. Since he is comfortably ahead, Black should simply jump out with 1 and 3 in *Dia. 6*. That keeps White separated and menaces White's weak centre group.





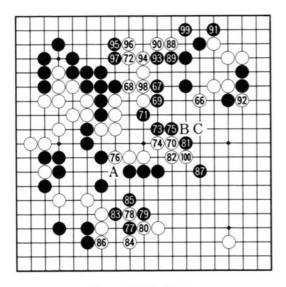


Figure 3 (66–100)

Figure 3 (66–100).

Black 77 is an attempt to defend the cutting point at A in *sente*, but whatever happens — even if his top centre group dies after White B (which is most unlikely) — Black must connect solidly at A.



Laurent Heiser

White 78 throws away the chance to *hane* at B — that's where the fight is now, not at • the bottom.

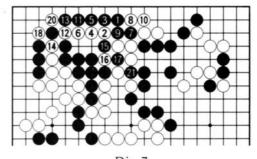
White 82. White can't hope to win after making an empty triangle like this.

Black 83. The usual shape is to descend at 84, but Black's sole concern is to take *sente* to switch back to the centre.

Black 87 is very aggressive; if it catches White, no one can criticize it, but a diagonal connection at C would be good enough.

Black 89 is aji-keshi.

Black 93. Black was aiming at the placement at 1 in *Dia.* 7, but he decided it didn't work, so he switched to 95.



Dia. 7 19: connects (at 16)

Dia. 7. Heiser had another look at the placement of 1 after the game and discovered the *furikawari* sequence to 21. The result is, of course, a win for Black, but there is no need for him to resort to extraordinary measures like this, as he has a win anyway.

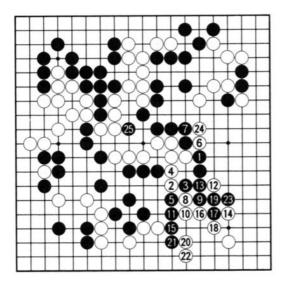


Figure 4 (101–125)

Figure 4, Figure 5

White does his best to continue resistance in these two figures, but to no avail. *White resigns after Black* 145.



Enzo Pedrini

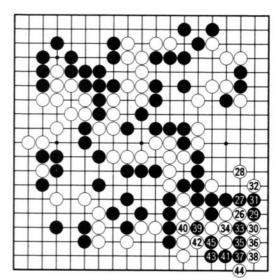
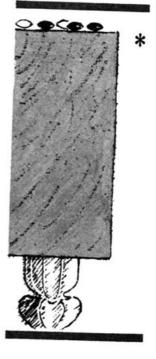


Figure 5 (126–145)



Round 4: Chinese Taipei v. Korea

White: Chou Chun Shun (Chinese Taipei) Black: Kim Se Hyun (Korea) Played on 25 May 1994. *Commentary by Michael Redmond 7-dan.*

This game was the first clash between members of the Far Eastern big four who usually dominate the tournament. The fourteen-year-old Chou demonstrated here that he was a strong contender for the title, though Kim also had plenty of chances.

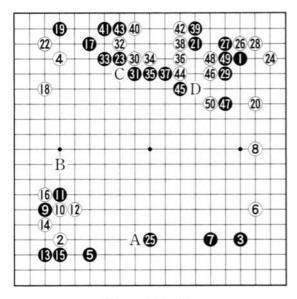
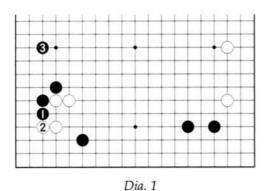


Figure 1 (1-50)





Black 13. There's no need to invade the corner when White has not played a pincer. For example, if White has a pincer in place at A, then Black 13 and 15 are good, since they

make the white stone at A meaningless. (Similar reasoning applies if the pincer is at B: it would become overconcentrated after Black 13 and 15, though it would still be better than White A.) When there is no pincer, playing the ordinary *joseki* in *Dia.* 1 looks best.

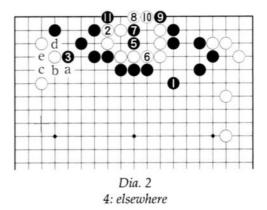
Black 25 should be at 28. Black 25 doesn't make good balance at the bottom and leaves room for White to invade. If Black is going to play at the bottom, playing closer to 5 or 7 (A, for example) would work better, but in any case completing the *joseki* at the top with Black 28 is superior.

Black 31 helps White to get *sabaki*: it makes the *hane* at 32 a good move. Black should simply 'stand' at C (perhaps Black was hoping for White 32 at 34, after which Black 32 would be good).

Black 41. Better to seal White in with D: that would enable Black to catch up a little. However, White fails to take advantage of 41 by playing immediately at 44.

Black 43. Again this is Black's chance to seal White in with Black D. If he did so, White would have to play at 2 in *Dia.* 2 to live, but even so Black would be able to play at 3 in *sente*; if White plays *tenuki* (the *tenuki* would most likely be to switch to another part of the board, since a direct answer to 3, such as 'a', is not appealing), Black can kill White with 5 etc. (If White 8 at 9, Black gets a *nakade* with 8.) Black 3 is therefore *sente*, forcing White 6, so Black gets the forcing sequence of 'b' through White 'e', building thickness and eye shape.

With 43, Black misses his big chance to make a game of it. The fight is a success for White when he pokes his head out at 50.



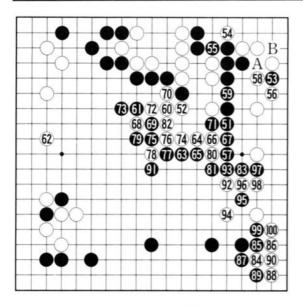


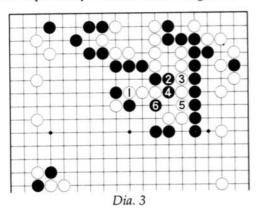
Figure 2 (51–100)

Figure 2 (51–100). Black takes the vital point, but ...

Black 57. Black should play at A; when White defends at B, Black A becomes a *kikashi*. The difference is that White 58 will no longer be *sente*.

White 62. The vital point is 63. Black catches up when he launches an attack with 63.

White 68. Playing this stone is strange if White can't counter 69 by cutting at 72. White probably made a misreading here.



Dia. 3. If White cuts at 1, Black has the severe counter of 2 to 6.

White hastily backtracks with 70, but the exchange of 68 for 69 is now a minus for him.

Black 83 is thin: Black should connect

solidly at 93. The diagonal connection makes it easier for White to move out with the peep of 92 later. Playing 83 at 93 would have kept the gain earned by taking the key point of 63 and would have made the game still playable for Black.

Black's attack from 95 to 12 in the next figure is a complete failure: White cleverly sidesteps.

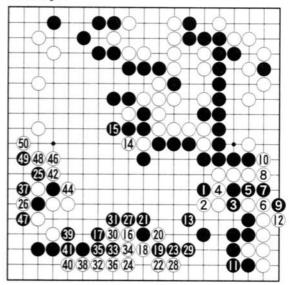
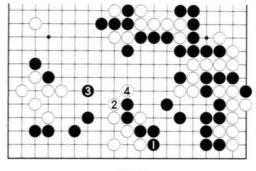


Figure 3 (101–150) 43: ko; 45: connects



Dia. 4

Figure 3 (101–150). Unable to resist

Connecting at 11 is Black's only gain from his attack, but he has lost too much in the centre, on top of which White has secured all the right side, which during the fight didn't seem very likely.

White 16 is nicely timed. It may seem aggressive but it's quite feasible.

Black 17. Black plays here because his only chance is to keep the white stones sepa-

rated. Answering 16 at 18 or 34 would just make it easy for White.

Black 27. Black would like to be able to play at 1 in *Dia.* 4, but after White pushes up at 2, Black must jump to 3. White then ataries at 4. Black has weaknesses in the centre, so this variation is probably not playable.

White 42 to 50 is another nice sabaki.

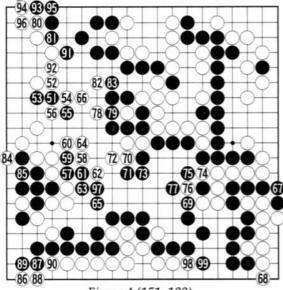


Figure 4 (151–199)

Figure 4 (151–199). Too little too late

Black plays 51 to 55 to set up the cut at 57, but this is too little too late, especially after paying the price of two stones.

Black missed his chances to take the lead, first in the opening and then in the middle game at 83. White's play in the bottom right decided the game.

Kim plays an interesting game but he gets careless in the execution.

Moves from 200 to 276 omitted. White wins by 19½ points

Round 6: Romania v. Korea

Giving Kim's other loss may seem a little unkind, as he did after all win six games out of eight, but this game is of some significance for Western players. By winning it, Mateescu became the second Westerner to defeat a representative of one of the traditional Far Eastern strongholds of go. Schlemper blazed the path by beating Japan and China in 1991; Mateescu followed up by triumphing over Korea. That result helped to secure him 6th place and also put Korea out of the running for the championship title.

White: Robert Mateescu (Romania) Black: Kim Se Hyun (Korea) Played on 26 May 1994. Commentary by Michael Redmond 7-dan.

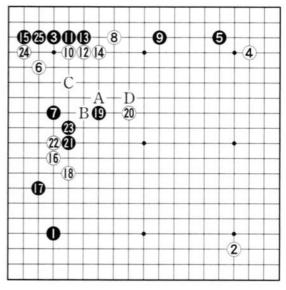
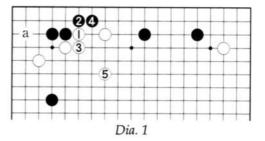
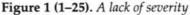


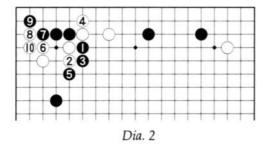
Figure 1 (1-25)





White 12. I would prefer to play at 13, that is, at 1 in *Dia.* 1. If Black 2, White plays 3 to 5. This gives White better shape than in the game and he can still slide into the corner at 'a'. White is not frightened of Black's using 2 to cut at 3.

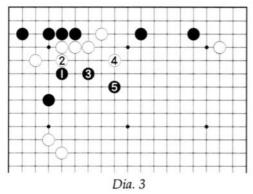
Dia. 2. The usual aim of cutting at 1 would be to sacrifice the corner and squeeze on the outside, but after the continuation to 10 Black has no effective way of setting up a squeeze.



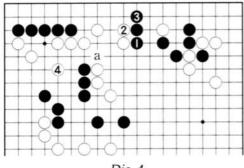
White 16. Starting this fight could get White into trouble. It would be wiser simply to play at A. The problem with starting a fight with 16 is that, although Black 7 is pincered between White's forces, White's wall above is not so strong.

White 18 looks heavy. This is a chance to cap at B.

Black 19. It would probably be better to attack as in *Dia.* 3. This exploits the weakness of White's wall and develops rapidly in contrast to moving out vaguely with Black 19.



Black 21. Black should peep once at C, then attach at D: that would be more severe than the game.



Dia. 4

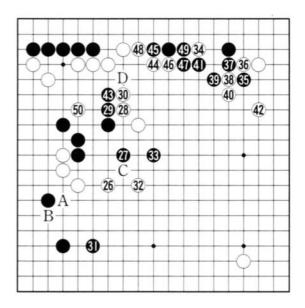


Figure 2 (26-50)

Figure 2 (26–50). Mistakes by both

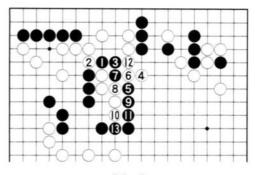
White 26. More natural would be to exchange A for Black B, then to attack at C. That would probably be superior to the game. The fight that develops here doesn't look good for White: he has two weak groups to Black's one.

Black 45 is a mistake: he should answer at 46.

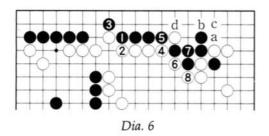
Dia. 4. Black should push down at 1; if 2, he descends at 3. White still has to defend against the cut with 4, and Black gets the *aji* of the *hanedashi* at 'a'. For example —

Dia. 5. This variation is just one example. Black gets an excellent squeeze in the centre.

White 46 is a good move: White defends against D in *sente*.



Dia. 5



Black 47. If Black tries to link up with 1 and 3 in *Dia. 6*, White walls off the centre with 4 to 8 and can play 'a–d' in *sente* later.

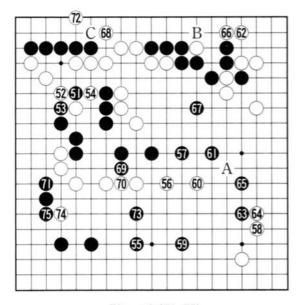


Figure 3 (51-75)

Figure 3 (51–75). A strange tenuki

White 62. White probably should jump one more time or press at A. White 62 is big, but around A is the key area.

Black 67. Answering at B would be normal.

Black 69/71. The *tenuki* is strange: living in the corner is worth almost 35 points. If Black just blocks at C, he still has a good game.

White is paralysed in the bottom half of the board. If he tries to invade the black territory at the bottom, his centre group will get into trouble.

Figure 4 (76–100). Black's attack fails.

Black 87. If Black is going to attack this group, he should peep at 90 first. If he's not

going to attack it, blocking at A would be very big. In fact, blocking there before trying anything in the centre seems more natural.

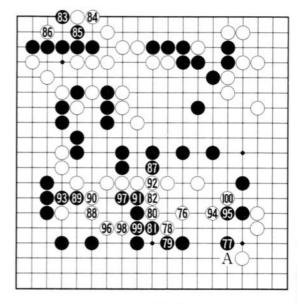


Figure 4 (76-100)

White 96 looks like a nice *kikashi*, but White 98–Black 99–White 97 might be even better. (Black loses side territory if he tries to destroy the eye.)

Though his attack on the centre group fails, the game is still close, as Black has managed to enclose all the bottom side.

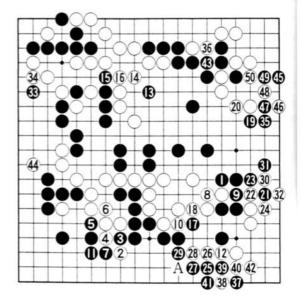


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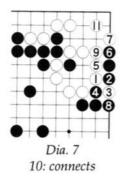


Figure 5 (101–150). Endgame mistakes by White

White 22. Better to run in at A.

White 46 is a mistake. Playing as in *Dia*. 7 is worth at least three points more. White probably overlooked Black 49.

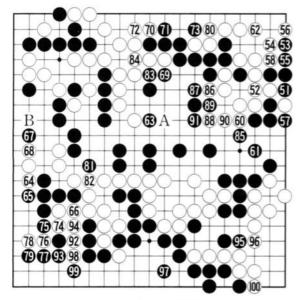


Figure 6 (151–200) 59: connects

Figure 6 (151–200). Playing small moves

Black 53 is too early: securing the centre with Black 63 instead would be very big.

White 62. This is worth only 5½ points instead, White should jump to A. Not only would that be a big move, it would also make the prospect of a *semedori* (being forced to remove a captured group from the board — see next figure) remote. Even a move like White B on the centre left would be bigger than 62. Or White 66, for that matter.

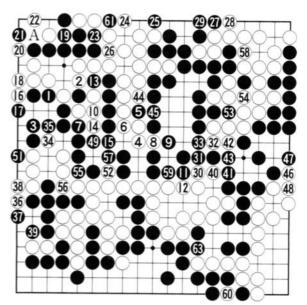


Figure 7 (201–264) 50: connects (below 2); 62: retakes 64: connects (right of 60)

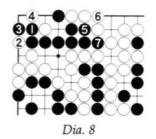


Figure 7 (201-264). The losing move

Black 3 is a large move.

Black 5 is strange: it's better simply to connect at Black 8.

It's around here that Black seems to realize that he has a possible squeeze, that is, a *semedori*. However, playing the 5–6 exchange weakens his centre and loses points. That's why Black 8 would be better.

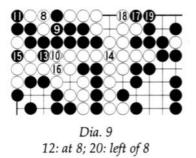
White 16. This is White's chance to avoid the *semedori* by making two eyes with a move at 25. That would let Black make a *sente hanetsugi (hane* + connection) on the left side, but White would have a win by at least the same margin as in the game, that is, 1½ points.

Black 19 is the losing move. Black never wants a stone on this point; instead, he should play at 23 or A.



A big win for Robert Mateescu — with just a little luck in the endgame

Dia. 8 (page 23). If Black plays 1, White 2 and 4 are forced. Black next ataries at 5, then pushes in at 7, stopping White from getting two eyes. Next —



Dia. 9. White must start filling liberties with 8 etc., otherwise the corner will become a *seki*. After 17 and 19, Black has already gained three points with the squeeze. White 20 is necessary to protect against the approach-move *ko*. Black won't have to continue here now; all he has to do is to play the *yose* as in the actual game to win by 1½ points.

White 24. Note that, in contrast to *Dia.* 8, White is not compelled to connect in answer

to the *atari*. White 24 is the winning move. The result in the game is a two-move approach move *ko* for Black, which is not enough.

Black knew he had a squeeze, but he got the timing wrong. He played the *atari* at 23 when it was no longer a key move. As we mentioned in the previous commentary, he tends to slip up in the execution of his strategy.

This was a game that wobbled a lot in the endgame. White's major mistakes were missing A–B–C instead of 26 in Figure 2 and failing to play 62 at A in Figure 3 and 16 in this figure at 25.

White wins by 11/2 points.

Round 7: Japan v. U.S.A.

White: Hiraoka Satoshi (Japan) Black: John Lee (U.S.A.) Played on 27 May 1994. Commentary by Hiraoka (interviewed by Kyono Hideo for Igo Club.)

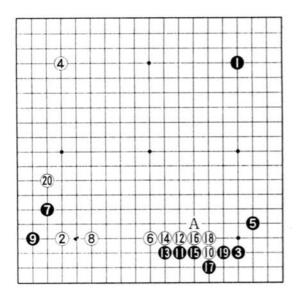


Figure 1 (1-20)

Figure 1 (1-20). In a hurry ...

Igo Club: Congratulations on your victory. The way it was reported, it seems you had no trouble winning all eight games. Is that the real picture?

Hiraoka Satoshi: After winning the 6th game on the third day, I started to think about victory, but I knew I couldn't afford to lose either of the two remaining games. And this seventh-round game was dangerous. There's no way you can say I had 'no trouble'.

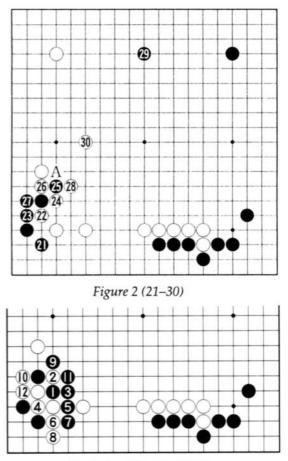
IC: Let's look at the game. What if White plays 16 at 18?

HS: The fight after Black 16 and White A looks like getting difficult. I kept things simple as I was in a hurry to play 20.

Figure 2 (21-30). Expanding the centre

IC: A strange shape appeared on the bottom left.

HS: White has thickness at the bottom, so I think it's hard for Black to use 21 to move out into the centre. White's policy is to seal off the centre with 22 and 24. The only thing that worried me was Black 23 at 1 in *Dia.* 1.



Dia. 1: joseki bad for White

IC: The *joseki* is cutting at 2 and connecting at 4.

HS: This result, with Black breaking through with 5 and 7, is bad for White.

IC: The result to 12 of corner profit for White and outside influence for Black is equal — that's to say, this is a *joseki*...

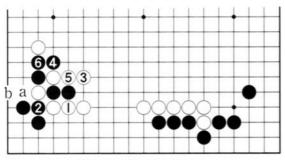
HS: If Black gets thickness on the bottom left, White's bottom thickness can no longer work effectively. This is no good for White. So instead of 4 White will connect at 1 in *Dia.* 2. Black 2 and White 3 will probably follow, but if Black just breaks through with 4 and 6, the result is not quite satisfactory for White.

IC: If White 'a', Black can link up with 'b'.

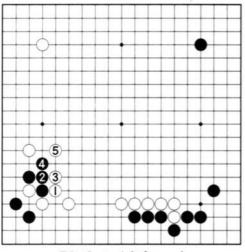
HS: So if Black had played 1 in *Dia.* 1, I was thinking of strengthening the outside

with 1 and 3 in *Dia.* 3. If White presses at 5, his thickness here combines well with his bottom thickness.

IC: This is simple and straightforward.



Dia. 2: still not satisfied



Dia. 3: straightforward

HS: When Black answers at 23, the moves to 28 are a one-way street.

IC: The ladder is favourable, but isn't having Black play a ladder block painful?

HS: When the ladder block is something like 29, White can match Black with his bottom *moyo*, can't he?

IC: White 30 at A would be too tight . . .

HS: My bottom position was strong, so I thought expanding the centre was better. The chances of Black's trying to pull 25 out are quite remote.

Figure 3 (31–50). An oversight

IC: You expected Black 31?

HS: Since White has staked out a largescale position on the left side, this is where Black wants to play. If White had played a tight move like 1 in *Dia. 4*, Black would probably play at 2. My strategy of getting Black to invade on the left side so that I can attack him looks right. The only thing is that I wasn't sure what to do if Black played 35 at 1 in *Dia.* 5. Black has various options here, but moving out into the centre makes the game more difficult.

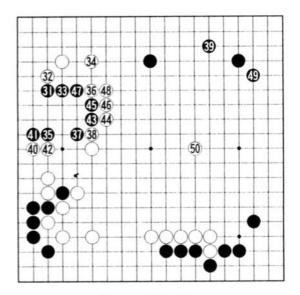
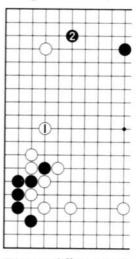


Figure 3 (31-50)

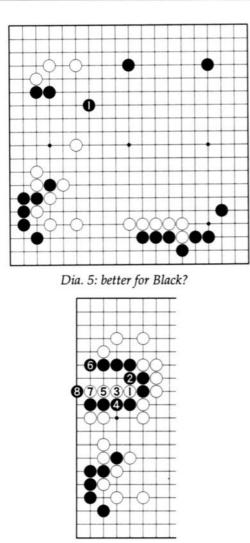


Dia. 4: a different game

IC: White 36 seals Black in on the side, so White's strategy is working.

HS: I think that having to make an exchange like the 37–38 one must have been painful for Black. I wonder what would have been best after Black 39.

IC: With 41 to 47 Black lives in sente.



Dia. 6: Hiraoka's oversight

HS: Someone said to me that this wasn't bad for me, as I made excellent shape on the outside, but, to tell the truth, I made a misreading here.

IC: An oversight?

HS: I thought White could kill Black with 1 to 5 in *Dia.* 6. If Black plays 6 at 7, White plays 6; that makes Black 6 the only move, whereupon White 7 is good, or so I thought. But it doesn't work after Black 8. I got a little upset at overlooking a move like this.

IC: You maintained a poker face, so we had no idea of the actual psychology involved here.

HS: In view of this, I still don't know if the sequence from 40 is best. Also, I have my doubts about White 50. I thought that expanding the centre would make a game of it, but still I felt uneasy.

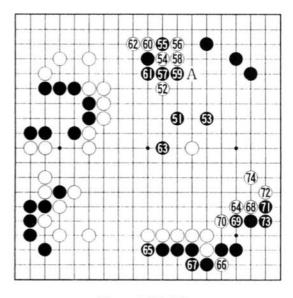
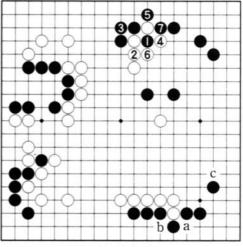


Figure 4 (51-74)



Dia. 7: Rin's theory

Figure 4 (51–74). Rin lodges an objection.

IC: Rin Kaiho, the Chief Referee, criticized Black 57.

HS: I couldn't work out what to do after Black reduced with 51. I couldn't make up my mind whether it was better to play 52 or to make the shoulder hit of White 57, followed by Black 54 and White A. And finding a move after Black 53 is really tough. Around here, I thought that I might be behind.

IC: That is presumably why you played

the emergency measure of White 54 and 56. Rin's theory was that Black should have used 57 to solidify the top as in *Dia.* 7. Black takes territory up to 7.

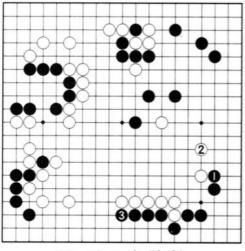
HS: This way White no longer has enough territory. His top left corner is also thin. White will lose a territorial contest, so my plan was to exchange 'a' for Black 'b', then attach at 'c'. If White gets some thickness on the right side, he can use his thickness at the top in an attempt to capture the centre black stones. It's an unrealistically farreaching strategy, isn't it?

IC: How do you evaluate the position after White solidifies the top with 62?

HS: The situation is not good. The reducing move of 63 is a good point, so catching up is not going to be easy.

IC: Black got nervous after this . . .

HS: You get that feeling a little. Black 65 is a good point, but I expected Black to crawl at 1 in *Dia. 8.*



Dia. 8: better for Black?

IC: White would probably jump to 2. Perhaps Black thought this would just help White to advance up the right side . . .

HS: If Black next crawls at 3, this makes a big difference to the corner territory.

IC: The sequence to 74 reduces the corner.

Figure 5 (75–100). *The game finally becomes a real contest.*

IC: The usual move for 76 is A.

HS: That would be more forceful. The

only thing is that when White captures with 76, the threat of 1 in *Dia.* 9 becomes more severe.

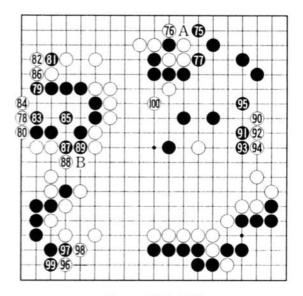
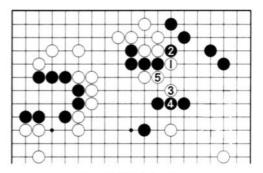
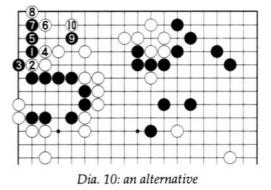


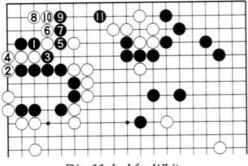
Figure 5 (75-100)



Dia. 9: White's aim



IC: What about White's attack with 78? HS: It's not good. White 80 should have been at 86. Instead of 81, Black could have played 1 in *Dia.* 10. If he answers 2 at 3, then nothing happens after 4 to 10, but Black can probably resist with 1 in *Dia.* 11. If White fights back with 2, Black lives with 5 to 11. Consequently, White will have no choice but to give way with White 2 at 4 in *Dia.* 10, followed by Black 2, White 5.



Dia. 11: bad for White

IC: Black 81 is a mistake?

HS: The moves to 86 cause Black to lose points, but after he lives with 89 he's left with Black B. In other words, the loss from White's bad move of 78 remains unredeemed — the exchange on the left side is a failure for White.

IC: How is the game after White extends to 90?

HS: I still didn't think it was good for me.

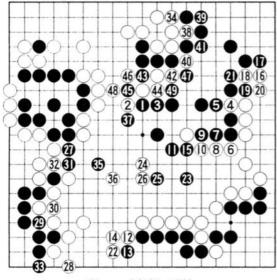
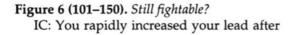


Figure 6 (101–150) 50: connects



starting the endgame.

HS: Perhaps I was helped by my opponent's attack of nerves. Even so, Black 7 and 9 were strange. If Black had played 7 at 14, he might still have been able to make a fight of it.

IC: Black still has the move of 27, so this white area would become quite small.

HS: Instead of 20, I also considered pushing through at 21, but there's no need for White to do anything unreasonable.

IC: The diagonal connection of 28 is *sente*. In the centre, White gets a squeeze, starting with 40, so Black's territory is much reduced. At this point, White may be ahead on the board.

HS: Up to the middle game there were lots of difficult positions that puzzled me. I also twice made miscalculations in attacking Black's group on the left side, which made me anxious.

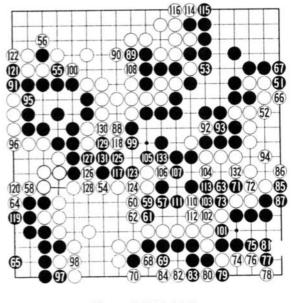


Figure 7 (151–233) 109: connects

Figure 7 (151–233). White keeps ahead.

HS: Maybe White 80 should be at 81.

IC: Black's bottom right corner has been reduced to 18 points, so White now has a big lead — about ten points. You leapt ahead at the end.

White wins by 11½ points. (Igo Club, August 1994)



Hiraoka scores his seventh win.



Round 8: Japan v. China

White: Hiraoka Satoshi (Japan) Black: Wang Cun (China) Played on 27 May 1994. Commentary by Sakaguchi Ryuzo 9-dan. Report by Nakamura Chikako.

This game was the only clash between members of the traditional top three, that is, Japan, China, and Korea. Usually they run into each other on the third day, in the 5th and 6th rounds, but the course of the tournament was a little different this year. Korea lost to Chinese Taipei in the 4th round and Romania in the 6th and as a result was not paired against China or Japan at all. China's loss, again to Chinese Taipei, in the 6th round accounted for why China did not meet Japan until the final round.

By the 6th round Hiraoka had pulled one point clear of the field, but if he had lost this game there would have been a three-way tie for first with Chinese Taipei and China. The best way to take the title with good *aji* was to win this game.

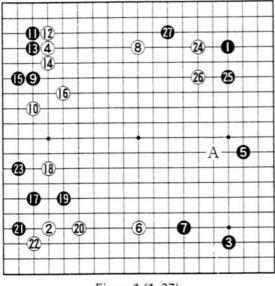
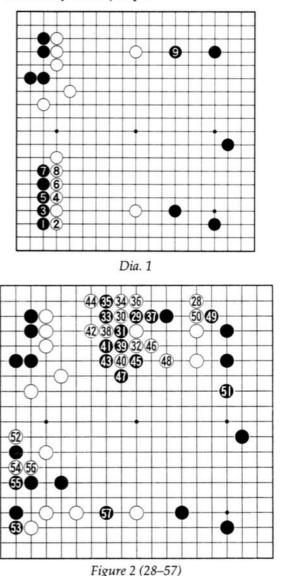
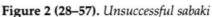


Figure 1 (1–27)

Figure 1 (1–27). Too impatient

Sakaguchi: 'Instead of 19, Black could also have invaded at the 3–3 point as in *Dia*. 1. Choosing between blocking on the side (White 3) and at the bottom (White 2) will be a tough decision for White. 'Black 27 is too impatient. Black should take up position with A and wait to see which way White jumps.'

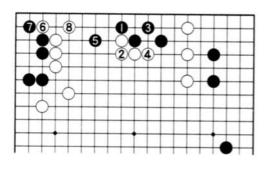




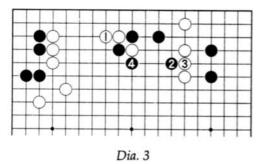
White 28 is the strongest answer to the invasion. Black now goes all out to seek *sabaki*, but not with much success.

Sakaguchi: 'If Black uses 31 to play at 1 in *Dia.* 2, he will have reason for concern after White 6 and 8. White 32 is a calm move — if instead he pulls back at 1 in *Dia.* 3, Black gets *sabaki* shape with 2 to 4. The sequence to White 42 is a one-way street.'

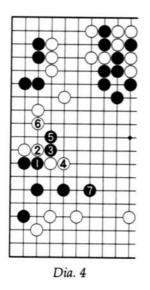
Black 47. Black may have made a *ponnuki*, but it doesn't qualify as thickness; on the contrary, it even runs the risk of coming under attack. White has scored a success without having to work for it.







White 52. Sakaguchi: 'This is an interesting move. Instead of 53, Black should create some *aji* by cutting with 1 and 3 in *Dia.* 4. When White captures with 54, there's no *aji* or anything here. The invasion of 57 feels unreasonable.'



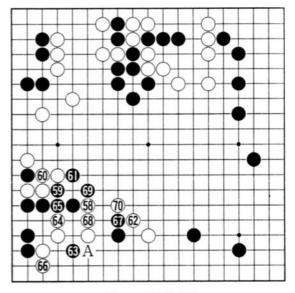


Figure 3 (58-70)

Figure 3 (58–70). Playing to the gallery

Throughout the tournament Hiraoka played with composure. He never looked in danger except for one instant in his game against Chou of Chinese Taipei. That was the only time he was level with or perhaps behind the opponent. However, the descent of 66 was risky — White A would have been good enough.

'My games were not popular with the gallery,' said Hiraoka. 'People said they weren't interesting. I played 66 to show that I was prepared to fight, but I was overdoing things. This game was dicey.'

It's certainly true that Hiraoka won most of his games without fighting, in contrast to the usual pattern in the WAGC, where the top contenders tend to be over-aggressive in the decisive games. One got the feeling that he was a level above the other players. If the gallery was expecting to see fierce fighting games, it's not surprising it was disappointed.

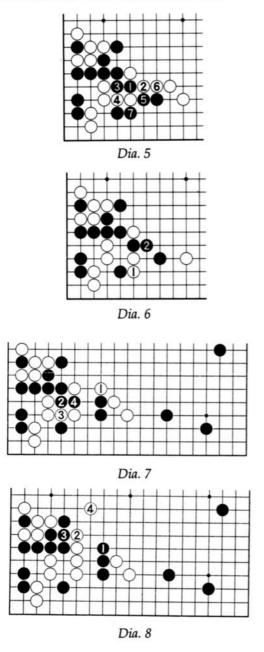
Sakaguchi: 'Black's one and only chance in this game is to use 67 to wedge in at 1 in *Dia. 5.* If White resists with 2, he loses the *semeai* after 7. White has to compromise with 1 in *Dia. 6*, though that lets Black make good shape with 2.'

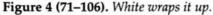
With 67, Black probably expected 1 in *Dia.* 7, letting him play 2 and 4. White 68 was a calm response — Black's hopes

vanish.

Black 69. If at 1 in *Dia.* 8, White plays 2 and 4; the bottom left black group won't survive this fight.

Because Black failed to exploit White's mistake, White took a large profit. Luck seems to have been on Hiraoka's side.





Black started fights at the top and on the bottom left only to see his invading stones captured, letting White score points. The position is now clearly good for White. It's at such times, however, that mentally one becomes the most uneasy.

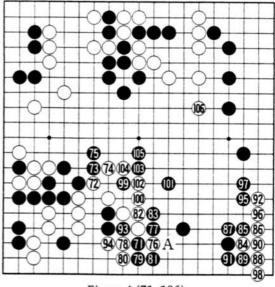
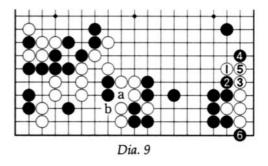


Figure 4 (71–106)

Hiraoka: 'White 72 and 74 are better left unplayed. White 80 should be at 94; White 82 in a sense invites Black 83, but it's a bad*aji* move. Around here my play was erratic. I thought Black would try to capture the white group in the bottom left corner. I got off lightly in the game.'

Hiraoka was lucky that these small slips did not affect his lead.



Sakaguchi: 'Instead of 82, the proper move is White 93. White 84, threatening to pull out a stone with A, is well timed. The jump to 92 is a good move — playing the knight's move at 1 in *Dia.* 9 would be risky: Black has forcing moves after Black 'a'– White 'b', so he might try to capture White with 2 to 6. Living with 98 makes the position clear: White is ahead even on the board.'



Usually the winner of the game between China and Japan wins the tournament ...

Black seals off the centre with 101 to 105, but White 106 is *miai*, so he can't get a big territory. White has started to wind up the game.

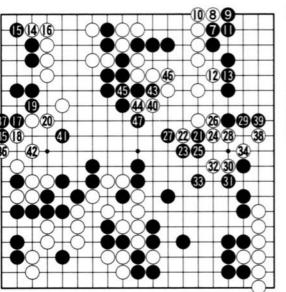


Figure 5 (107–147)

Figure 5 (107–147). Professional level

White heads straight for the goal, taking no risks. Sakaguchi: 'Hiraoka knows how to

wrap up a win. His strength is professional level. His go is composed, not flashy — it filled me with admiration.'

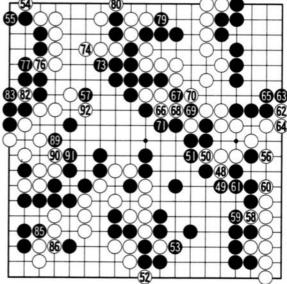
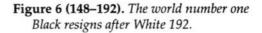


Figure 6 (148–192) ko (over 69): 72, 75, 78, 81, 84, 87 88: connects (at 67)



Hiraoka was interviewed by *Kido* after the game.

Kido: What got you started playing go?

HS: I learnt from my father, who was amateur 3-dan, in the second year of elementary school [probably aged 8]. My mother was going to a beginners' class, so I became her practice partner.

K: When did you play go most seriously?

HS: The members of the go club at my university always say they've never seen me play go. In high school I devoted myself completely to athletics. If I had to name a time, it would be the 5th and 6th years of elementary school and the 1st and 2nd years of junior high, when I joined the live-in spring and summer classes at the Ryokuseien [run by Kikuchi Yasuro, who won won the 14th WAGC]. They were run like a camp and I thought of nothing but go.

K: When did you get so strong?

HS: I don't know. I don't play through games, though I do read *Kido* from beginning to end, as I'm a subscriber.

K: Were you ever invited to become a professional?

KS: I was, but I didn't feel like it. My parents let me make my own decisions, and I wanted to try various things in the future rather than limiting myself to one field.

K: You have a poker face, but does losing upset you?

KS: I'm not greedy, but I do dislike losing. I like to make a psychological analysis of the reasons when I lose.

(Kido, July 1994.)



The 5th Yokohama–Sotetsu Cup The World Women's Amateur Go Championship

Sato Akiko's second triumph

The 5th Yokohama–Sotetsu Cup: The World Women's Amateur Go Championship was held at Shonan International Village Center from 29 September to 2 October with players from 24 countries and territories around the world participating. Actually, 26 players were scheduled to compete, but the representatives from Russia and the Ukraine were unable to attend, so the tournament failed to top the record set in the 4th Cup in 1992 of 25 players. As usual there was very fierce competition amongst the Oriental players at the top, and the first five places were monopolized by players who write their names with *kanji* or Chinese characters. The sixth place was also taken by a Chinese emigrant to Australia. However, the standard of play in the tournament continues to rise, and a number of Western players showed that they were drawing closer to the top level.

This year's tournament saw the second triumph by Sato Akiko, who has recently



The 1994 World Women's Amateur Champion: Sato Akiko of Japan

5th Yokohama-Sotetsu Cup



At the Opening Ceremony: Monique Berreby (France), Raffaella Giardino (Italy), Carmen-Maria Mateescu (Romania), Sato Akiko (Japan), Eleonore Gruber (Austria), and Beatriz Martinez (Spain)



Sato defeats another former WWAGC champion, Kan Ying of Hong Kong, in the 6th round.

been dominating women's amateur events in Japan and also doing well in some open tournaments. Sato won the tournament with a perfect score in the 3rd Cup in 1991 and she seemed likely to repeat that feat this year, but after seven straight wins she stumbled in the last round, losing to Chang Kai Sim of Chinese Taipei. That left her tied with Kwun Hyo-jin, an elementary-school student from Korea, but Sato prevailed thanks to a two-point lead in SOS. As in the WAGC, Korea always loses in ties — fate seems determined to deny her a victory in an amateur tournament.

In retrospect, the key game turned out to be the clash between Korea and Japan on the morning of the third day when both countries had 4–0 scores.

Japanese fans were of course rooting for Sato, but Ishida Yoshio 9-dan, the Chief Referee, commented that actually Liu Ya Jie of China played the 'best-balanced go' of the players in the tournament. However, Liu, who is a go coach in Henan province, suffered a painful upset loss to Korea in the third round that hurt her chances.

This year two new countries were participating: Italy and Turkey. Raffaella Giardino of Italy attracted a lot of attention on the first day when she started with two wins, but unfortunately she was unable to keep up this pace. She made 18th place, however, a creditable performance for a debut.

The top place-getters were:

- 1. Sato Akiko (Japan): 7-1 (SOS 40)
- 2. Kwun Hyo-jin (Korea): 7-1 (38)
- 3. Kan Ying (Hong Kong): 6-2 (42)
- 4. Chang Kai Sim (Ch. Taipei): 6-2 (39)
- 5. Liu Ya Jie (China): 5-3 (42)
- 6. Zhang Xue Hui (Australia): 5-3 (39)
- 7. Antje Rapmund (Germany): 5-3 (34)
- 8. Stella Chang (Canada): 5-3 (31)
- 9. Martina Simunkova (Czech): 5-3 (31)
- 10. Debbie Siemon (USA): 4-4 (36)

Below, we present some games from the tournament with brief commentaries.

Japan v. Korea (Round 5)

White: Kwun Hyo-jin (Korea) Black: Sato Akiko (Japan) Played on 1 October 1994. Komi: 5½; time: 90 minutes each.

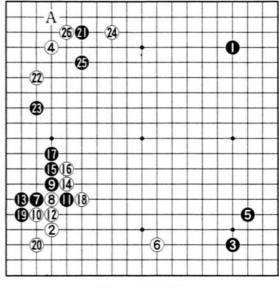


Figure 1 (1-26)

Figure 1 (1-26). An erratic start by Black

Black 21. An approach move at 22 is superior; that would make better use of the thickness below. Black 23 is a little narrow as an extension from such a strong position.

White 26. White A is correct shape. White 26 just helps Black to strengthen herself.

Figure 2 (27-52). Black is outplayed.

White 32. White should simply connect at 34, taking *sente*, then switch to the top right corner.

Black 45. The key point is A. Up to 52, Black gains nothing from her attack — her centre top position (39–45) hardly qualifies as influence. White has done well.

Figure 3 (53-74). White deserts.

White 54 is a tesuji.

White 58. Better to capture at A.

White 74 is too greedy — needless to say, extending at B is the only move. White deserts the battlefront.

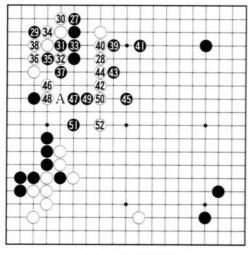


Figure 2 (27–52)

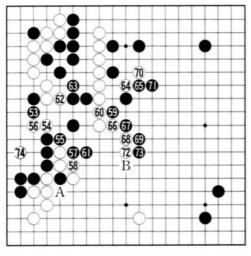


Figure 3 (53–74)

Figure 4 (75–100). Black takes control.

The *hane* of 79 changes the flow of the game — the momentum now favours Black.

Squeezing up to 100 may feel good, but Black's centre thickness has given her the upper hand.

Figure 5 (101-150)

Black redeems herself for all her early mistakes in her skilful infighting. First, she captures all the white stones on the bottom right —

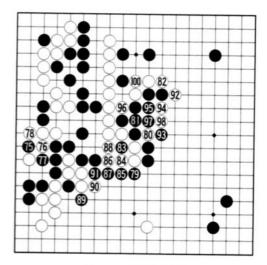


Figure 4 (75–100) 99: connects

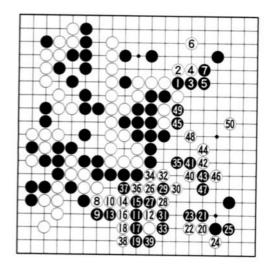


Figure 5 (101–150)

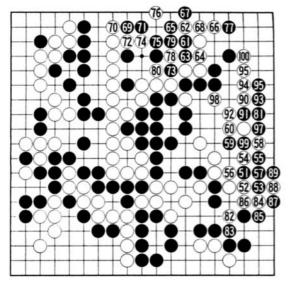


Figure 6 (151-200)

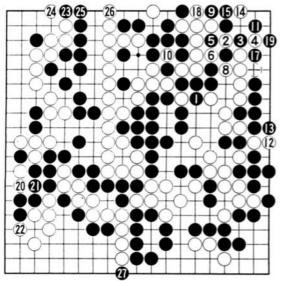


Figure 7 (201–227) 7: connects (at 2); 16: connects (below 10)

Figure 6, Figure 7

Then she kills all the stones on the right side. Her use of her dead stones with 61 on in particular is very skilful.

White resigns after Black 227.

China v. Korea (Round 3)

White: Liu Ya Jie (China) Black: Kwun Hyo-jin (Korea) Played on 30 September 1994. Commentary by Ishida Yoshio 9-dan.

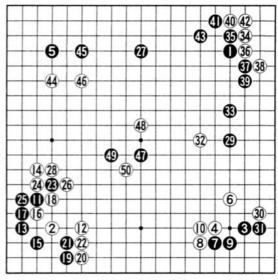


Figure 1 (1-50)

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White 32 is a good point: White is doing very well. Exchanging 32 for 33 before invading at 34 shows a good strategic sense.

Black 47 is too deep. Usually Black wouldn't be able to live after White caps at 48.

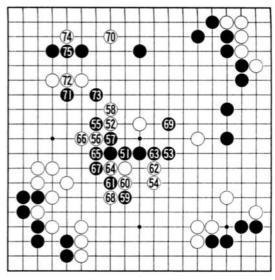


Figure 2 (51-75)

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White doesn't go all-out to kill the group, being content to get territory at the bottom. With 71 to 73, each player goes her own way.



Liu (left) seemed to be winning this game, but . . .

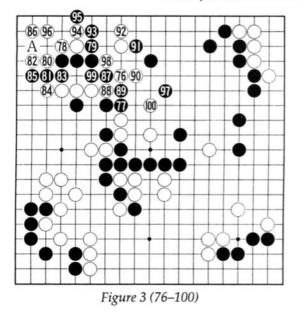


Figure 3 (76-100)

White 82 must be the diagonal connection at A.

Figure 4 (101-150)

White 18. If White had attached at A, the game would have been over. Instead of having her group simply collapse, Black gets

a *furikawari* (trade), which upsets White's plans.

The blow at the vital point of 33 decides the game in Black's favour.

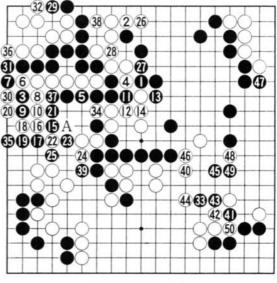


Figure 3 (101-150)

Figure 4 (151–215) (next page)

Even though Liu lost this game, Ishida was full of praise for her play.

Ishida: 'Because of lack of experience, they get into too much fighting, but both players show talent. Comparing the Japanese, Korean, and Chinese players, in overall strength, Liu has the best balance.'

White resigns after Black 215.

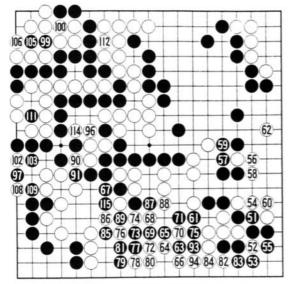
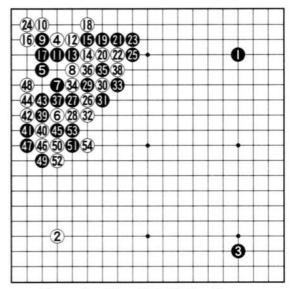


Figure 5 (151–215) ko: 92, 95, 98, 101, 104, 107, 110; 111: throw-in (at 109); 113: ko

Japan v. Chinese Taipei (Round 8)

White: Chang Kai Sim (Chinese Taipei) Black: Sato Akiko (Japan) Played on 2 October 1994.

Just the opening of this game is given, but that's enough.



Moves after 54 omitted. Black resigns.



Sato smiles ruefully on losing her final game. (The game recorder is Matthew Macfadyen.)

The 5th International Amateur Pair Go Championship



Mr. Yoshikuni Ichiro, President of the newly formed Japan Pair Go Association (he is also the Japanese Professional Baseball Commissioner), presents the cup for 1st place to the winning team of Sakai Hideyuki and Umezawa Yukari.

The 5th International Amateur Pair Go Championship was held at the Edmonton Hotel in Tokyo on 26 and 27 November 1994. This year four new countries — Singapore, Italy, Spain, and the Ukraine - joined the tournament, making a total of 16 teams from around the world. However, victory went to the home team of Umezawa Yukari and Sakai Hideyuki, who defeated Lee Jungwon and Park Sung-soo of Korea in the final. This is the third victory in a row and the fourth overall for the host country (which had quite an advantage, it should be noted, as it had 17 teams competing in the 32-team tournament). Apart from Korea, no overseas team made it past the second round.

The other highlight of this pair go festival was the mammoth handicap tournament, in

which 174 pairs competed. According to the organizers, the number of applicants to participate in these pair go tournaments doubles each year (for the even tournament, elimination rounds are staged throughout Japan to pick the representatives for each area), which shows that pair go is catching on. The number of overseas pair go tournaments also seems to be steadily increasing.

Below we would like to present a brief commentary on the final by Ishida Yoshio, who was the Chief Referee.

White: Umezawa Yukari (2), Sakai Hideyuki (4)

Black: Lee Jung-won (1), Park Sung-soo (3) Played on 27 November 1994.

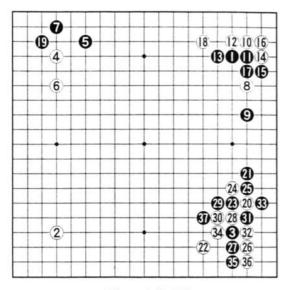


Figure 1 (1–37)

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Black makes a good start, building a nice, wide position on the right side. Already Black has a slight advantage. Instead of 26, White should played the *joseki* of White 27, Black 31, White 26.

Figure 2 (38-70)

White 48. This counter is dubious: when

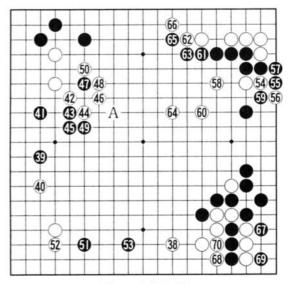


Figure 2 (38-70)

Black turns at 49, White has no choice but to defend at 50, which leaves Black with a good move at A

Perhaps because the Black team feels that it's ahead, it begins to make some slack moves. Black 59, for example, should be played at 61 immediately.



Victory in the pair final



A scene from the mammoth pair handicap tournament



Romania in action: Constantin-Cristian Ghioc and Carmen-Maria Mateescu

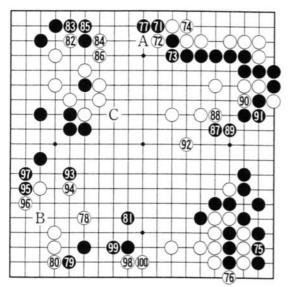


Figure 3 (71-100)

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Black 77. If Black is going to play here, he should first atari at A, to make White heavy, then connect at 77. More important, Black 77 passes up Black's last chance to invade at B. It would not be possible to capture this stone; if White did make an unreasonable attempt to capture it, Black would be able to build strength on the outside.

The really dubious moves, however, are 93 and 1 in the next figure. Black 93 should be at C.

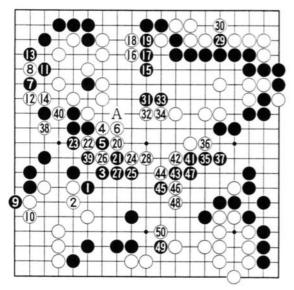


Figure 4 (101-150)

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Black 1. A bad move because it loses the clamp at Black 10. Black should have used 1 to occupy A. With 4 and 6, the game begins to look good for White.

Umezawa: 'I would never think of playing White 4. I first realized what a good point it was when my partner played it. Sakai helped me out.'

Sakai: 'I was grateful for Black 1. White wants to play at 2 anyway. It was the opponents who helped us out.'

Umezawa and Sakai had a good day: they also won the Best Dresser Prize, which is chosen by a group headed by Rin Kaiho and his wife. That made the usual swag of prizes for the winners of this tournament even bigger.

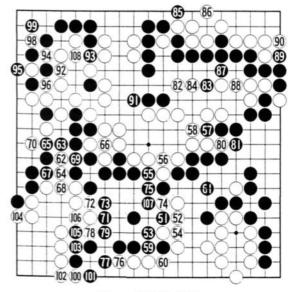


Figure 5 (151–208) 97: connects

Figure 5 (151–208) Black resigns after White 208.

Go Around the World

Australia

The future of go in Australia brightens every year. Fuelled by immigration from China, Hong Kong, Korea, and Japan, as well as natural growth within the diversely multicultural Australian community, the number of go players is steadily increasing. And so is the level of talent. We must be gaining at least two or three players a year over 5-dan and we now have five players hovering slightly above 7-dan.

All of this is accelerating the growth of our lower dans and resulting in a large crop of kyu players about to invade the dan ranks. Nonetheless, we are a small community, probably 3,500 players in total, spread over seven major cities, all of which are hundreds of kilometres apart. So the chances for people from all over the country to get together are limited. This makes the more National Championships ever important. It's one of the few times each year that we are able to meet people from the other cities and catch up with all the news, facts, and fictions.

As to be expected, this year's Nationals attracted the strongest field we've ever had. Lower dans in Australia once had a chance to get to Japan, but those days are over. The benefit of having strong players in our community far outweighs that once slim chance. We're even getting to believe that, within the next five years, Australia may well have a major chance in the WAGC.

This year the Nationals hosted Konagai Masaru 6-dan of the Nihon Ki-in. As a preliminary to the Championships, Mr. Konagai led a three-day training camp at a popular resort area near Melbourne. This was the first of its kind and with 23 attendees the camp was fully booked. Next year we will have to arrange a far larger facility. The feeling for this beautiful game that Mr. Konagai imparted to us all was beyond description. One phrase he used is now part of our go lore: 'The noodles at lunch tasted good, perhaps because I felt I was leading.'

Mr. Yang 9-dan from Korea also flew out to observe the Nationals. Mr. Yang is amongst the strongest players in Korea and



Participants in the Phillip Island training camp



Konagai 6-dan playing simuls at Phillip Island

is part of a study group in that country which is achieving Kitani-like status around the world.

Playing in the Nationals is tense at the best of times. I'm sure everyone understands what we mean when we say it is a pleasure to have such Masters of Go in our midst, but please, oh please, let them look the other way when I play my next move . . .

A very special pleasure was watching Fred Flatow play in his second National Championships. Fred plays around the shodan level but is better known as an Australian Open Chess Champion. His father, Kurt, was probably go's earliest pioneer in Australia; amongst other achievements, he founded the Sydney Go Club and he never really regarded Fred's immense success at



Presentation ceremony at the Nationals. (Centre: Mr. Yang; front right: Mr. Konagai)

chess at being as important as Fred's go skills. Since Kurt's death last year, Fred has begun playing go with the seriousness once reserved for chess, out of homage to his father.

After a close struggle among our top four players, decided by one SOS point, Yu Fei Wang became the new Australian Champion and will be the strongest player we've yet sent to Japan. Andrew Chi will have to be patient for one more year.

Meanwhile, following the Nationals, the intensity between our top players continues. Our four best are now engaged in a protracted league-style struggle to determine ascendancy.

Other news includes the beginnings of something close to all go players' hearts: commercial sponsorship. Our great thanks to the Po Hong company, who are now sponsoring an annual tournament with prize money for both dan and kyu levels as part of Melbourne's Chinese Arts Festival.

Clubs across the country continue to prosper and if you are ever in our part of the world every single one of them will welcome you with delight.

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Canada

The 17th Canadian Open Go Championship

For the first time, this preeminent Canadian event was held in Victoria, the capital of the province of British Columbia. However, this is the third time in the history of the Canadian Open that this prestigious event was held in that province (the first time was in 1981 and the second time in 1992). Directed by Kirk Westergaard, with the assistance of Roy Langston, and organized by Richard Neil and the Victoria Go Club, this tournament attracted a total of 56 players. That is a rather low turnout for the Open (the average attendance for the preceding 16 tournaments is 70 players) but understandable given the geographical location and the relatively smaller number of go players in Western Canada.

The main tournament of this six-round event was held over the Labour Day Weekend of September 3rd and 4th at the magnificent Empress Hotel facing Victoria Harbour and just down the street from the provincial legislative assembly building. The winner of the tournament was Eungsoo Choi 6-dan, a visitor from Korea. Since Choi is not a Canadian citizen, the secondplace winner, Sunghwa Hong 6-dan from Vancouver, became Canadian Champion and Canada's representative at the 1995 World Amateur Go Championship. The winner of third place was Stanley Chang 5dan from Ottawa. There was a tie for fourth place between Keiji Shimizu 6-dan and Dino Cremonese 5-dan. After a playoff, Dino won, and both he and Stanley will represent Canada at the 1994 North American Fujitsu Qualifying Tournament.

The winners of the other sections in this event were: Shiro Amano 3-dan, Woon-Seok Yang 1-kyu, Masa Kagami 5-kyu, and Donald Foxford 8-kyu, all from Vancouver.

On the Monday of the long weekend, a playoff was held to determine Canada's representatives at the 1994 International Amateur Pair Go Championship. The winners were Stanley Chang 5-dan and his sister, Selina Chang 2-dan, both from Ottawa, Ontario. (Due to time constraints, the Canadian Go Association had to select the Canadian representative at the World Women's Amateur Go Championship prior to the Canadian Open.)

The participants in the Canadian Open were treated to the visit of two women professional go players on their way back to Japan after touring in Mexico: Inoue Hatsue 1-dan and Nakamura Kuniko 1-dan. They provided some commentaries and some simultaneous games during a reception on Friday and again on Monday.

Next year (1995), the Canadian Open is slated to be held in Toronto, Ontario, again over the Labour Day Weekend, September 2nd and 3rd.

Ontario's Major Tournaments in 1994

The 4th Kingston Open was held on January 2nd on the campus of Queen's University. Organized by the Kingston Go Club, this three-round event attracted a total of 40 players, 12 more than last year, and was divided into seven sections. The first-place winners of each section were: Stanley Chang 5-dan (Ottawa), Yi-Chum Ding 4-dan (Kingston), Peter Hamley 3-dan (Marmora, Ont.), Gerry Fung 2-dan (Ottawa), Cheng-Ping Chen 2-kvu (Kingston), John Fodor 7-kyu (Ottawa), and Jayson Law 13-kyu (Whitby, Ont.).

The 2nd Heritage Go Classic was held on February 5th and 6th in Ottawa at Heritage Games, a commercial establishment devoted to selling traditional games of the world. This six-round event, organized by Steve Donaldson, co-owner of Heritage Games, attracted 32 players. The winners of the five sections were: Yuzo Ota 5-dan (Montreal), Z. Zhang 3-dan (Ottawa), Mike Cheng 1-dan (Ottawa), John Fodor 7kyu (Ottawa), and Jean-Charles Grégoire 12-kyu (Ottawa).

The Toronto Open was held on the weekend of March 12th and 13th at its traditional location, the third floor debating room of the venerable Hart House on the campus of the University of Toronto. Organized by the Toronto Go Club with Pat Thompson as tournament director, this sixround event attracted a total of 72 players, 16 more than last year.

The overall winner was Zhi-Qi Yu 6-dan (Toronto). The winners of the remaining seven divisions were: Shi Chen 4-dan (Toronto), Philip Waldron 3-dan (Waterloo, Ont.), Luping Zhang 1-dan (Toronto), Peter McMain 2-kyu (St-Catherines, Ont.), Samuel Law 7-kyu (Ajax, Ont.), Russell Levy 11-kyu (Toronto), and Bryce Moore 21-kyu (Ajax, Ont.).

The 12th Ottawa Open, held on April 9th and 10th, attracted 28 players and was organized by the Ottawa Go Club with Marc Lecours as tournament director. This six-round event was divided into five sections, and the winners were: Stanley Chang 5-dan, Jang Hwang 3-dan, Kevin Zou 1-dan, Wayne Ling 3-kyu, and Max Che 14-kyu, all from Ottawa.

The 10th Ottawa Meijin Tournament lasted from December 1993 to May 1994 and had a total participation of 16 players. Stanley Chang reclaimed the title of Ottawa Meijin that he had lost last year to Vincent Wong. The best kyu player was Andrew Zhang 5-kyu. This event was organized by Charles Chang and the Ottawa Chinese Go Club.

The 11th Ottawa Chinese Goe Cup was moved from its traditional time of the Thanksgiving weekend in October to its new permanent time of mid-June. This year, and presumably for years to come, the tournament was the beneficiary of an official sponsor, the Taiwan Overseas Chinese Education and Culture Center (located in Toronto). Organized by the Ottawa Chinese Go Club with Isabel Chang as tournament director, this event attracted a total of 56 players. The top place-getters were: Ming-Liang Dong 5-dan (Montreal), William Hewitt 3-dan (Rochester, N.Y.), Hao-Ming Wu 2-dan (Kingston), Stanley Williams 1-kyu (Toronto), and J.C. Imbeault 12-kyu (Ottawa).

Quebec's Major Tournaments of 1994

The 13th Montreal Honinbo was held in February and was again won by Lian-Ming Dong 5-dan who defeated his challenger and winner of the Honinbo League, Yuzo Ota 5-dan. This annual event was organized by André Labelle and the Montreal Go Club.

The 15th Winter Tournament was held on February 27th and was won by Stanley Chang 5-dan from Ottawa. This threeround event, sponsored by the Consulate-General of Japan and organized by the Association québéçoise des joueurs de go, attracted 32 players. The winners of the remaining three sections were: Thomas Fox 2-dan (Montreal), Renjie Xu 2-dan and Wayne Ling 5-kyu (Montreal), (Ottawa).

The 16th Quebec Open, held on May 21st and 22nd, was won by Louis Leroux 5dan from Montreal with an impressive score of six wins. This six-round event, which is organized by the Association québéçoise des joueurs de go with Steven Mays as tournament director, drew a total participation of 37 players, ten more than last year's all-time low of 27 players. The first place winners in the other three divisions were: Stella 2-dan Chang (Ottawa), Peter 3-kyu Schumer (Middlebury, Vermont), and Louis Borgeat 11-kyu (Quebec City).

British Columbia's Major Tournaments of 1994

A tournament was held on January 30 to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Thirty-six Vancouver Go Association. four sections, players, divided into participated in this four-round event, which was directed by Richard Woloshyn and Carlos Costa and which was held at the Dunbar Community Center in Vancouver. The winners of each section were: Sunghwa Hong 6-dan, Eric Cheng 1-dan, Y.K. Son 3kyu, and Derek Vichert 12-kyu.

The 2nd Vernal Equinox Tournament, held in March, was divided into four groups and was organized by Moto Miyata, Richard Neil, and Ken Taylor. The winners of each section were: Sunghwa Hong 6-dan, Hirotake Tomita 1-dan, Carlos Costa 7-kyu, and Jamie Chrones 14-kyu.

The 12th Hollyhock Go Workshop was

held from July 11 to 17. This year the number of participants reached an all-time high of 30, ranging in strength from 20-kyu to 4-dan and coming from as far away as Toronto and Florida. As in the last number of years, James Kerwin was on hand to provide instruction to players on how to improve the quality of their games. Also on hand was Roy Langston (5-dan amateur), who provided instruction for the weaker players.

Located on Cortes Island in the wilds of British Columbia, about 160 kilometers north of Vancouver, the locale provides a wonderful setting for a relaxed yet concentrated attention to go. Next year the Workshop is scheduled to be held from August 6 to 12, the week before the U.S. Go Congress (which will be held in Seattle from August 12 to 20). For more information contact Rex Wyler, Box 85, Manson's Landing, Cortes Island, B.C. VOP 1K0. Tel.: (604) 935-6736.

(N.B. In last year's Ranka I mistakenly reported that the Hollyhock Workshop began in 1987. Actually, it began in 1983. It was in 1987 that James Kerwin began attending regularly.)

Canada's Representatives at International Events

16th World Amateur Go Championship: Jong Choi 6-dan (Vancouver)

11th World Youth Goe Championship: Gerry Fung 2-dan (Ottawa), Selina Chang 2dan (Ottawa)

4th North American Ing Cup Tournament: June Ki Beck 6-dan (Toronto), Sunghwa Hong 6-dan (Vancouver), Louis Leroux 5-dan (Montreal)

5th World Women's Amateur Go Championship: Stella Chang 2-dan (Ottawa)

8th North American Fujitsu Qualifying Tournament: Stanley Chang 5-dan (Ottawa), Dino Cremonese 5-dan (Vancouver)

5th International Amateur Pair Go Championship: Stanley Chang 5-dan (Ottawa), Selina Chang 2-dan (Ottawa).

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(Report by Steven J.C. Mays)

Finland

The first go club in Finland was founded in 1979 in Helsinki. Before that there were some individual players. The first Finnish Championship was played in 1981 and was won by Matti Siivola, who competed in the World Amateur Go Championship in 1982.

The Finnish Champions are:

1981: Matti Siivola 1982: Lauri Paatero 1983: Matti Siivola 1984: Lauri Paatero 1985: Matti Siivola 1986: Vesa Laatikainen 1987: Vesa Laatikainen 1988: Vesa Laatikainen 1989: Matti Siivola 1990: Vesa Laatikainen 1991: Vesa Laatikainen 1992: Matti Siivola 1993: Vesa Laatikainen 1994: Vesa Laatikainen

Around 1982 we made contact with two players in Tampere, the second largest city in Finland. The Finnish Go Association was founded in 1987. Now we have go clubs and player groups in five places: Helsinki, Tampere, Turku, Salo, and Lapinjärvi. The number of active players is about 100.

The first Finnish go book was published in 1988. It was written by Matti Siivola and Lauri Paatero. A go magazine, *Sente*, has been published at irregular intervals. In May 1992 the first newsletter of the Finnish Go Association was published.

(Matti Siivola)

France

Paris Tournament

Guo Juan 6-dan of Holland topped a field of 230 players, 58 of them from outside France, competing in the Paris Tournament, held on 2–4 April. Top place-getters were:

- 1. Guo Juan 6-dan (Holland)
- 2. Shen Guangji 6-dan (Germany)
- 3. Pierre Colmez 5-dan (France), Lu Jinqiang 5-dan (Germany)
- 5. Vladimir Danek 5-dan (Czech)
- 6. Frédéric Donzet 5-dan (France)
- 7. Jean Michel 5-dan (France)

Germany

10th German Open

This tournament was held in Essen on 15, 16 January with 165 participants. Zhao Pei 5dan and Guo Juan 6-dan tied for 1st place with 4–1 scores. Shen Guangji, the winner in 1992 and 1993, had to be content with 3rd place.

Mainz Tournament

This tournament was held on 26, 27 March, and the winner was Kettenring 3dan, followed by Mertz 1-dan.

Konstanz Tournament

Thirty-nine players participated in this tournament, staged by the Konstanz Go Club on 23, 24 April. The winner was the favourite, Felix von Arnim 4-dan. G. Schmid 3-dan and F. Giljum 2-dan took 2nd and 3rd places respectively.

34th Hannover International Messe Tournament

This tournament was held on 30 April and 1 May, with 132 participants, not quite as many as the previous year. Two players, Franz-Josef Dickhut and R. Nechanicky (Czech), ended up with the same score (4 wins) and the same SOS, but Dickhut prevailed through a superior SOSOS. M. Wolff and S.N. Park, 3rd and 4th respectively, also had four wins.

Hamburg Monkey Jump Tournament

The Hamburg Affensprung or Monkey Jump Tournament was held on 21–23 May with 119 participants. Shen Guangji (Frankfurt/China) won all six of his games to take first place ahead of Zhao Pei 5-dan (5/6) and David Schoffel 6-dan (4/6).

The qualifying tournament for the German Championship was held at the same time and was won by Malte Schuster with a 5–1 score. Qualifying with him for the Championship were: Egbert Rittner, Lutz Franke, Jan Schröer, Felix von Arnim, and Jens Gillwald.

The Bochumer Bambus Tournament

Held on 8 and 9 October, this tournament was won by Zhao Pei, who won all five of her games. She was followed by Franz-Josef Dickhut and Christoph Gerlach, both on three points.

1994 German Championship

The 1994 German Championship was held at Humboldt University in Berlin from 27 to 30 October. Eight players took part in a fiercely fought seven-round Swiss tournament which no one player was able to dominate. Winner of first place, with five wins, was Egbert Rittner 4-dan of Hamburg. Second place was taken by Felix von Arnim 4dan of Karlsruhe, who also scored five wins. Next was Jens Gillwald 4-dan of Hamburg and fourth place went to Malte Schuster 5dan of Berlin, who both had four wins. They were followed by Franz-Josef Dickhut 4-dan of Bochum (3 points, 5th), Jürgen Mattern 5dan of Berlin (3 points, 6th), Jan Schröer 4dan of Bielefeld (2 points, 7th), and Lutz Franke 4-dan of Hamburg (2 points, 8th).

Forty-eight players took part in the companion tournament. Stefan Lange and Marco Firnhaber tied for first place and Stefan Liesegang and Robert Jasiek tied for third.

German Rating List

In the latest rating list we have to hand, dated August 1994, top place goes to Shen Guangji 6-dan of Frankfurt. The top ten are:

- 1. Shen Guangji 2727
- 2. Jürgen Mattern 2577
- 3. Zhao Pei 2574
- 4. Franz-Josef Dickhut 2561
- 5. Christoph Gerlach 2538
- 6. Laurent Heiser 2526
- 7. Sang-Nam Park 2520
- 8. David Schoffel 2516
- 9. Malte Schuster 2509
- 10. Egbert Rittner 2508

Ireland

This year was marked mostly by a welcome increase in the number of foreign participants in our open events. The Irish Open, held in March 1994, attracted a total of 25 players, including ten dan players, making it the largest and strongest tournament ever held in Ireland. The winner was Tony Goddard 5-dan from Belfast. The Irish Open Handicap Tournament in November 1994 also attracted many players from abroad and was won by Mark Ivey 9-kyu from Preston, UK.

We were again fortunate to have our usual quota of summer visitors and this year they included two professionals from China touring after the European Go Congress. Mr. Wang Guan Jun 8-dan and Mr. Chen Zhi Gang 6-dan spent a frenzied weekend in August humbling our local players. Thanks are due to the Chinese Embassy for laying on a sumptuous reception also.

The Irish National Championship was again won by Noel Mitchell 2-dan; John Gibson 2-kyu was second and represented Ireland in the 16th WAGC in Kyoto, finishing a respectable 38th. Commencing this year we have changed to a points system (points being accumulated each year) to select future representatives.

We look forward to the year ahead and anticipate a further increase in international visitors since from 1995 the Irish Open will be a European Grand Prix tournament.

(Noel Mitchell)

Mexico

The game of go was introduced into México (México City) around 1962 by a couple of mathematicians who had learnt it in the United States. A few years later it was a common sight to see people playing it in the coffee shops of the Faculty of Sciences of the México National University (UNAM) or in the Mathematics Department of the Research Center of the National Politechnical Institute (IPN).

At the beginning of the next decade, there were a few dozen players and the first tournament was organized; in the middle of the decade, the commercial relationship between Japan and México became much closer, and many Japanese technicians and businessmen working in México began to play in the México–Japanese Friendship Association (AMJA), and Mexican players learned from them. Traditionally, there were two open tournaments a year with two sections, one for kyu and one for dan players.

Mr. Noboru Sato, formerly a JAL executive, gave a considerable impulse to the nucleus of dan players. He was very active promoting the game and he invited Mexican players to form an association in 1983. Thus was born the Asociación Mexicana de Go. A little later, the AMexGO began to participate in the WAGC. Mr. Sato returned to Japan in 1984.

In January of 1989, we had the honor of a visit by Ishii Kunio 9-dan, who gave several lectures and simultaneous game exhibitions. Iwamoto Kaoru 9-dan also visited México a couple of times in the mid-70s to promote the game.

In the last five years, contact with the American Go Association has increased, and we are participating in some of their activities. We have many plans and hopes and we are sure that, despite our meager resources, go will continue to develop here and our level of competition will rise. Our main project is teaching children. Two players in particular, Mr. Marcos Arámbula and Mr. Ferriz, are spending a lot of time teaching children how to play go.

The Netherlands

There have been several new developments in Dutch go activities. Mr. Rob Koopman, who has been an active board member of the Dutch Go Association for many years, will be its new president.

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This year we also welcomed the opening of the Ing's European Go School. Mrs. Guo Juan, a former 5-dan professional, will organize go lessons for players of every level. A very important part of the go school activities will be the promotion of go in Dutch secondary schools. This certainly foreshadows a large increase in the number of young players and in years to come will increase the strength of European go.

Furthermore, a new go-playing centre has been opened in Amsterdam. Mr. Menging Chu is responsible for this excellent location in the centre of Amsterdam, where it is possible to play go seven days a week. GO-center 'De Loge' Waterlooplein 73 Amsterdam Tel. +20-6248110

The Nihon Ki-in Foundation European Go and Cultural Centre, donated to the European go community by Iwamoto Sensei three years ago, has already established a firm base. It continues to expand its activities to promote go in Europe. The European Go Centre developed the plan 'Go Promotion 1994-1997'. The focus of this plan is on assisting national go associations in developing an active policy to promote go. The Go Centre — in close cooperation with the European Go Federation and national go organizations — plans to provide teaching and promotional materials and also offers organizational support all over Europe. To help further this end, a third employee has been taken on by the centre, former Dutch Champion Mr. Frank Janssen, who recently finished a training course held by the Nihon Ki-in to become an official Go Teacher.

The centre has become a meeting place for all kinds of go activities on a national and international scale. If you happen to be



Robert Rehm (left) playing Caspar Nyhuis at the new Amsterdam go centre



Participants in the European Go Congress

in the Amsterdam region, please visit the European Go Centre.

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The 1994 Hitachi European Go Congress

The most important go event of the year was held in Maastricht. From July 24th to August 6th, more than 500 people gathered to play in the main tournament or in one of the many side tournaments. The tournaments took place in an old but renovated monastery with an inner court and a large garden, provided by University of Limburg, which hosted the congress. The sun shone for practically the entire fortnight and the garden was always full of players relaxing or taking the opportunity to play some games outside.

Between and after games many people went out for a stroll in Maastricht. Maastricht is the oldest city in Holland and has many ancient houses and streets. This provided a very pleasant atmosphere, also because the most beautiful corners and squares of Maastricht are filled with terraces, where one could have some refreshments or even a nice dinner. The tournament was made possible by the main sponsors Hitachi, JAL, the city of Maastricht, and the province of Limburg.

The main tournament was run on the MacMahon system in ten rounds and was attended by 333 players. A top group of 32 players was selected to compete for the European and the Open European Championship. Two of the main favorites, Guo Juan and Shen Guangji, ran into each other very early, in the fourth round. Many believed this game would decide the outcome of the tournament. The entire game could be followed on an internal video system. Saijo Masataka, 8-dan professional from Japan, commented at move 148: 'If Black (Shen) does not win, I am a very weak player.' Everyone at the congress already knew Saijo as a very strong professional, who took every opportunity to play and teach all the participants in the congress.



Tsukuda and Kitano in the garden of the University of Limburg

However, Guo Juan's fighting spirit enabled her to turn the game around in her favour. After the fifth round, in which she beat a Dutch favourite Gilles van Eeden, she took a one-point lead. The seventh round saw a big surprise: Manfred Wimmer from Austria beat Guo Juan by one and half points. Unfortunately, no game record survived. Wimmer, who had already won the European Championship in 1969 (Ljubljana) and in 1974 (Zagreb), after 20 years again had a big chance. However, he still had to survive three rounds.

The only one still unbeaten after seven rounds was Dragos Bajenaru 5-kyu. Bajenaru was one of a large group of children from Romania who traveled a long way by bus to enjoy the tournament. Many of the children already play quite strongly; undoubtedly they will be among the strongest European amateurs in the years to come.

Catalin Taranu, a top Romanian amateur, was responsible in the eighth round for the diminution of Wimmer's chances. Wimmer also lost to Shen in the last round. Meanwhile, Guo beat the Japanese favourites Miyakawa and then Kai to finish first in the European Championship after all. By winning the title, she qualifies as European contender in the Tong Yang Securities Cup. Next year she intends to defend her title in



The Pair Go Tournament: (from left) Erik Puyt, Annemarie Wagelaar, Fujita Kiyoshi, and Egami Yuko

Tuchola. In the last round Wimmer beat Christoph Gerlach from Germany and became second best European. He won a ticket donated by Japan Airlines.

The congress was very lively because of the many side events organized on spare days and in the evenings. The pair tournament was again a big success with 36 pairs. However, as always, it was a big challenge to remain silent. For many, even when they did not speak, their faces told the story of surprise, happiness, and intense sadness. The first group was won by Guo Juan and Matti Groot, the second by Hovingh and van Diepen. The winners and runners-up received vases awarded by La-la-la Planning Company from Japan.

The weekend tournament could hardly be labeled a 'side' event: with 350 players it was the biggest so far in Holland. After four rounds, only Shen and Guo were unbeaten in the top MacMahon group. In the deciding game in the fifth and final round Guo managed to beat Shen for the second time in four days and became winner of the weekend tournament.

The Rengo tournament had one special feature. To promote international contact and better relations between players of different strength, the organization decided to give bonus points to multinational and multi-strength teams. There were several teams who gained up to 30 points extra komi. The winner, however, was the allChinese team Ingdes, with a half-point victory in the final round.

The open European 9x9 Championship saw an exciting clash between Japanese and European 9x9 specialists. In Japan, a television program is broadcast weekly in which two professionals play a 9x9 game. Yuko Egami does the presentation and Fujita Kiyoshi is the director of the program. In the end, in two fine games the Open Dutch 9x9 Champion Frank Janssen managed to beat both players to become European 9x9 Champion.

The computer tournament was won by Mr. Janusz Kraszek's program 'Star of Poland'. The lightning tournament was entered by 141 players. In fast fights - everybody got ten minutes playing time and no byoyomi - 64 people placed themselves in the finals. The proud winner was Catalin Taranu from Romania. The rapid tournament, which was played throughout the fortnight in the afternoons, was a popular innovation. It was won by Wataru Miyakawa with a perfect score. Probably the noisiest, most companionable and also fastest tournament played was the children's 13x13 tournament. In less than two hours (after five rounds!) the winner was Valetin Gheorghiu from Romania.

A very important factor in the success of the congress was the visits of professionals from China and Japan. They played countless teaching games and gave game com-



The final game of the European Open 13x13 Tournament saw an all-Dutch final between Hilde Houtkoop 20-kyu, the winner (on the right) and ten-year-old René Frehé (on the left). In the playoff for third place, Ion Florescu 5-dan beat Wim Hofma 2-dan.

mentaries to everybody. Every afternoon one game was televised for a big audience with a professional commentary. From China came Chen Zhigang 6-dan and Wang Guanjun 8-dan. From Japan there were Kitano Ryo 5-dan, Tsukuda Akiko 1-dan, Nakayama Noriyuki 6-dan, Shirae Haruhiko 7-dan, Yoshida Harumi 1-dan, Muraoka Shigeyuki 9-dan, and Inoue Shusaku 5-dan.

The big favourite of everybody was Saijo Masataka 8-dan, well known from Prague, who played teaching games from the early morning until late at night. This year he was accompanied by his wife, who played in the main tournament.

The 1994 European Go Congress was clearly a success, thanks to the smooth organization, the nice weather, the energy and time devoted to teaching and other activities by the visiting Japanese and Chinese professionals and of course the good humor of the participants. We already look forward to next year's Go Congress in Tuchola in Poland.

1994 Dutch Championship

Once again Ronald Schlemper triumphed. He won eight games in a row to win his 14th national title since 1978. Gerald Westhoff, who lived in Japan for five years, was this year's runner-up. He won seven games, losing only to Schlemper. Schlemper will represent Holland in the 1995 WAGC. We will be interested to see if he can improve on his third and fourth places in 1991 and 1993.

The Amsterdam Tournament

On Ascension Day 160 players from all over Europe gathered for the Amsterdam Tournament. They were joined by five South African players, who flew many miles especially for this tournament. This year there was only one Asian name among the top players. Zhang Shutai, who lives in London, just managed to beat Mark Boon from Holland in the fourth round. In the fifth, Gerald Westhoff was also unable to stop Zhang from winning the tournament. Westhoff and



The winner, Shen Guangji, and runner-up, Frank Janssen, in the 3rd Obayashi Cup

Boon went on to finish second and third.

International representation

The 5th Ing Cup Tournament, sponsored by the Ing Chang-Ki Foundation, took place in Milan for the 24 strongest European players. Among them were Shen Guangji and Rob van Zeijst, a Dutchman who lives in Tokyo. Last year they shared first place in a four-way tie with Zhang and Schlemper, neither of whom unfortunately competed this year. The tournament culminated in an exciting all-Dutch final between van Zeijst and Guo Juan. Guo Juan won and became the first winner since 1991 to win the Ing Cup without losing a game.

At the World Amateur Go Championship Holland was represented by Michiel Eijkhout. He did not succeed in helping to close the gap between the Asian countries and the rest of the world, as Mateescu from Romania did by beating Kim from Korea. However, Eijkhout did score 4 out of 8.

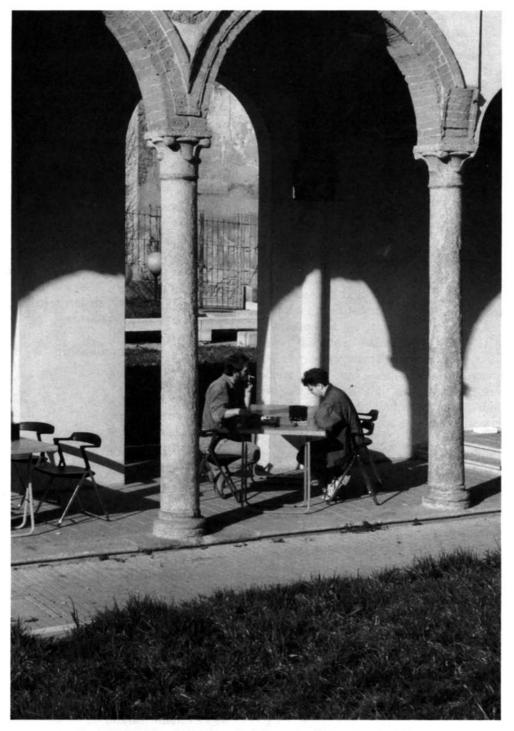
The 3rd Obayashi Cup, sponsored by the construction company that carried out the reconstruction of the European Go Centre, was again a success. In the final, with live live commentary by Saijo Masataka Sensei, Frank Janssen had to resign against Shen Guangji.

Conclusion

Again Robert Rehm became Dutch Lightning Champion. Mrs. Marianne Diederen and Mr. René Aaij became Pair Champions and represented Holland in the World Pair Go Championship held in Tokyo in November. Leiden became Dutch Club Champion.

Of course, many other players enjoyed their go in many other tournaments, in Holland and elsewhere in Europe. And surely the activities of the European Go Centre and the opening of Ing's European Go School foreshadow a further spread of the game of go both in Holland and in Europe.

(Report by Matti Groot)



David Schoffel and Matthew Cocke meet in the Ing Cup in Milan.

Romania

The oldest go player in Romania is Walter Schmidt, an amateur 3-dan from Timisoara. He started to play go shortly after the end of the Second World War and succeeded in teaching a few close friends. One of his students, Andras Venczel, played in the 4th WAGC, taking 23rd place out of 32 players. He was also invited to the first IGF meeting, so Romania became a founding member of this organization.

In 1983, Gheorghe Paun, a mathematician specializing in game theory, started to publish a series of articles on go in a very popular science magazine, *Science and Technics*. Besides the elementary rules, he also included easy go problems and stories from the world of go. His articles attracted a lot of interest, and, as a result, on 1 September 1983 the first Romanian go club was founded in Bucharest. There were over 30 members, all enthusiasts but very weak players. Shortly after that, Radu Baciu, an amateur 3-dan who had already learnt go some years earlier from a Japanese friend, joined the club.

Another character from these beginning days was Zhang Hai Tao, a Chinese student of mathematics at Bucharest University. Radu and Hai Tao raised a whole generation of young players. I am thrilled (even now) to recall the times when they faced each other on the go board: all the other games stopped and we all watched with keen interest the moves of the two masters. Radu's play was very imaginative, with lots of furikawaris, while Hai Tao had strong *yomi* (reading). They both left their mark on what is called today 'the Romanian style'.

The Bucharest Go Club was sometimes visited by Sumiya Haruya, a 4-dan Japanese player. Sumiya-san was always kind and his elegant advice helped many of us become stronger. He also made a contribution to spreading Romanian culture overseas by translating some of our most interesting literary works into Japanese.

Meanwhile, go clubs started to appear in other big cities, so in 1986 the first National Go Tournament was organized in Cluj. More than 100 players from all over the country took part in this competition.

Since 1988 Romania has been continuously represented at the WAGC, and the results of our players have steadily improved.

In 1990, after some years of being ignored officially (making our position close to illegal), the Romanian Go Federation was founded as part of the Ministry of Youth and Sport. Today we have over 500 active members (about 150 of whom are school children) and hold about 20 internal tournaments a year. Some Romanian go books have been published: one for beginners, one with go problems by G. Paun, and one with commentaries by R. Baciu on games from Romanian tournaments. Locally produced go sets have been sold in the tens of thousands.

There are three major tournaments in Romania:

The National Championship

1986: Radu Baciu 1987: Sergiu Irimie 1988: Mihai Bîsca 1989: Sorin Gherman 1990: Robert Mateescu 1991: Sorin Gherman 1992: Marcel Crasmaru 1993: Robert Mateescu 1994: Catalin Taranu

The R.G.F. Trophy 1988: Radu Baciu 1989: Mihai Bîsca 1990: Mihai Bîsca 1991: Mihai Bîsca 1992: Mihai Bîsca 1993: Catalin Taranu 1994: Robert Mateescu

The Romanian Cup

1991: Lucretiu Calota 1992: Mihai Bîsca 1993: Catalin Taranu 1994: Mihai Bîsca

In 1992 the European Team Go Championship was organized in Romania, and since 1993 the Bucharest Open Tournament, played at the end of September, has been part of the Fujitsu



Ishii Kunio 9-dan and Shoji Kazuko 3-dan surrounded by local go fans on their visit to Romania

Grand Prix d'Europe circuit. So far, however, the distances involved in traveling for players from other countries have proved to be a great handicap.

The increasing go activity in our country attracted the kind attention of some professional go players, and in February 1994 Ryo Kitano 5-dan paid us a visit (accompanied by Hiroshi Shima and Masato Tanaka, two players well known to Europeans). In October 1994 we also had the honour of meeting Kunio Ishii 9-dan and Ms. Kazuko Shoji 3-dan. These were very enjoyable visits for us and they greatly helped the promotion of go.

(Report by Mihai Bîsca)

Slovenia

The history of go in Slovenia can be found in Ranka Yearbook 10, so in the following article we shall deal only with events occurring in the last year. The 1994 go calendar in Slovenia was much the same as the previous year. The main events are listed below, beginning with late 1993.

1993

The Third Open Tournament of Ljubljana

Thirteen players competed in this handicap tournament, which was held on 18 and 19 December and won by Leon Matoh (6 points), ahead of Milan Zakotnik (5 points) and, on 4 points, Cernivec, Mrak, and Gaspari.

1994

The Sixth Lado Omejec Memorial

Since 1993, this tournament has had the status of a Grand Prix tournament. This year it was held in Bled on 15–17 April and 45 players from nine countries took part (28 had dan rankings and 15 of them were 4-dan or stronger). The 1993 winner, Shen Guangji, won the tournament again; second was Nechanicky (Czech), and third Müller (Austria). Some Slovenian players got Grand Prix points: Matoh four points (for sixth place), and Cefarin and Gaspari three points.

The 3rd Slovenian Team Championship

Four teams (with dan players) competed in this tournament, held in Kranj on 14 May and won by the team from Novo mesto (Matoh, Bizjak, Cefarin, and Harlander) with 11 points. The Ljubljana team (Ekart, Klemencic, Gaspari, and Movrin) was second with six points, followed by the Maribor team with four points and the Kranj team with three points.

The 7th Maribor Open Tournament

Thirty players participated in this handicap tournament, held on 24 and 25 September; 21 had dan rankings and 13 of them were 3-dan or stronger. The tournament was won by Milan Zakotnik (six points), ahead of Leon Matoh and Vladimir Kuhar (Croatia), both of whom also scored six points.

The 26th Slovenian Championship

This, the fourth championship held since Slovenia became independent, was held in Bled on 20–23 October. As usual, 16 players participated in the seven-round tournament. The winner and Slovenian champion was Leon Matoh with a perfect score. He was followed by Milan Zakotnik and Jure Klemencic, both on five points.

Congress of the Slovenian Go Association

At the annual congress, held on 21 October, the current executive was re-elected. A new rating list was also approved. The total number of dan players reached 51, including five 5-dans and seven 4-dans. The delegates to the congress also approved the report of the Go club Kranj on the preparations for the Seventh Lado Omejec Memorial Tournament-The Third Grand Prix Tournament Bled 1995 (7–9 April).

On this occasion, we would like to mention that big tournaments have a long history in Slovenia.

The Golden Dragon Tournament (the cup 'Zlati zmaj') is a team tournament (fourplayer teams at first, then three-player) which was held in Ljubljana 15 times in a row from 1964 to 1978. These international tournaments were in their time the biggest tournaments in Europe (with the exception of the European Go Congresses). The highest number of participants was 72.

From 1969 to 1974 strong individual international tournaments for the **Ervin Fink Cup** were also held in Bled. The winners of these tournaments were:

1969: Wimmer and Wiltschek 1970: Mutabzija and Ekart 1971: Mattern 1972: Takahashi 1973: Klemencic

1974: Bizjak

The Lado Omejec Memorial Tournament

The Lado Omejec Memorial Tournament was played from 1989 to 1992 in Jezersko. Since 1993, this tournament has been played in Bled and it has attained the status of a Fujitsu Grand Prix tournament. A co-sponsor of the tournament is the Hotel Astoria, which is located close by the Lake of Bled, so participants receive a discount of 40%. These tournaments are reported on the radio and in the newspapers, so they are very useful for promoting go in Slovenia.

(Report by Peter Gaspari)

Slovenian Champions

1968: Ekart, Gaspari, Intihar, Sturm 1969: Ekart 1971: Ekart 1972: Gaspari, Klemencic 1973: Flajs, Gaspari, Klemencic, Zagorc 1974: Ekart 1975: Cefarin 1976: Jukic 1977: Cefarin 1978: Šuc 1979: Mutabzija 1980: Mutabzija 1981: Ekart 1982: Mutabzija 1983: Bizjak 1984: Bizjak 1985: Bizjak 1986: Bizjak 1987: Klemencic 1988: Mutabzija 1989: Bizjak 1990: Mutabzija 1991: Cefarin 1992: Matoh 1993: Ekart 1994: Matoh

South Africa

South Arica joined the International Go Federation in 1993 and sent its first representative to the WAGC in 1994. The actual South African champion was not able to attend because of exams, but Paul Edwards took his place and found the experience very rewarding. On 8–9 October 1994 the South African Championship was held in Johannesburg, and Victor Chew 5-dan won all his games to become the new SA Champion. He was followed by Clive Hunt 1-dan and Paul Edwards 1-dan. With the exception of Chris Visser 2-dan, who is South African but spends most of his time in Australia, there are no other dan players in South Africa at present.

The go community in South Africa has grown somewhat in the last few years, thanks to some publicity which SABC TV aired after five South African delegates attended the European Grand Prix in Amsterdam in 1994. There are now six loosely formed go clubs in South Africa, and three of them are well organized and meeting on a regular basis. We invite overseas players who wish to visit South Africa to contact us; we will do what we can to make your stay pleasant by adding some go to your itinerary.

(Report from Jose F. Santiago)

Switzerland

A new wave, small at the moment, but nonetheless a wave, is agitating the peaceful pond of Swiss go. Not only are there several young players approaching the dan level, but there are now children following the footsteps of their fathers into the subtleties of the King of strategic games. (Since a supermarket computer made mincemeat of Kasparov, we are now entitled to make that claim! A mite difficult for chess players to explain away.)

The most recent Swiss Go Championship took place at La Chaux-de-Fonds in October of 1994. This competition occupies a special place on our tournament calendar, since it motivates everyone who believes he has a chance some day to fly to Japan to take part in the WAGC.

In the absence of Patrice Gosteli and the strongest non-Swiss players resident in

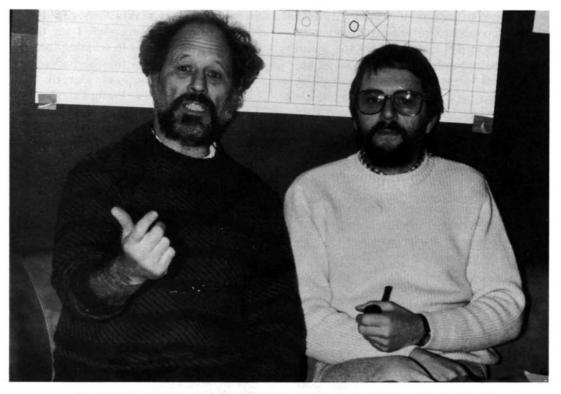
Switzerland, it was the Genevois Philippe Nicolet 2-dan who succeeded for the first time in his long career in winning the title of Swiss champion — a title he had long desired and finally attained. Directly behind him came the Chinese Wang Fei, also 2-dan, a new star in the Genevan constellation of go players.

Playing in exceptionally bad form, both the reigning champion François Borloz 2dan and Martin Dürst 1-dan from Zurich could only manage 8th and 10th places respectively in the field of 12.

The surprise was the contingent of upand-coming 1-kyus, Daniel Baumann, Roberto Morrison, Stefan Reiser, and the twins Sébastian and Laurent Koch. In the last game, Sébastian, born May 4, 1973, ten minutes before his brother, managed to impose his rights of seniority by winning a direct confrontation and thus placing 3rd in the 18th Swiss Championship.

According to their results in the championship, Swiss players receive each year precious points which one day may allow them to climb into a plane and represent Switzerland in the WAGC. In order to keep the door open for improved new faces, a rule of our championship forbids a player from being our representative more than once every three years. In 1994, the multiple Swiss champion Patrice Gosteli (ten titles, nine of them consecutive!) ceded his place to François Borloz. With his accumulated points, he would still be entitled to go to the WAGC in 1995. However, he has been absent from the go scene for a year now, and when consulted by telephone he displayed a remarkable degree of 'fair play' by saying 'I don't think it fair of me to go to Japan without having participated in the current championship tournament."

One could launch into an existential storm and demonstrate a proof of a remarkable ethic. Thank you, Patrice. We hope that your place at the centre of Swiss go does not remain vacant for too long. Thus it is a newcomer to the scene, Sébastian Koch, who will be beginning his studies in computer science and mathematics at Geneva, who will take part in the next world amateur championship.



Alan Held and Marcel Schweizer, the twin ¼ h.p motors of go in Switzerland

To formalize this emergence of a new generation of players, a younger governing committee will be elected at the 1995 annual general meeting, and Marcel Schweizer and Alan Held, who have essentially been the Swiss Federation since its founding some 15 years ago, will (they hope!) disappear from the scene. It is anticipated that one of the more difficult tasks of the Federation will vanish in that by accepting the ratings of the newly established European rating system as the official Swiss rating the Federation will no longer be responsible for grading the players — always a difficult task in a small country where the players play too many games among themselves.

Thus, in one matter at least, a group of Swiss does recognize that there are some advantages to Europe even if most of the country still lags behind us.

(Report by Marcel Schweizer, with his poetry disguised by Alan Held's translation)

Thailand



A tournament for beginners, the Thai Go Tournament I, was held from May to June with 37 participants. About 100 members and guests attended the final match, which was followed by a cocktail reception at the Tawana Ramada Hotel.

The Go Association of Thailand has been concentrating its activities on promoting go in the local community, especially in Thai business and educational institutions. The three main activities were organizing tour-

naments for beginners, carrying out public relations campaigns, and holding basic go classes. We would like to present a pictorial report on our 1994 activities.



With the strong support of the Commanding General, the first internal tournament was held at the Artillery Center. Participants ranged from sergeants to colonels.



The prize-giving ceremony at the Artillery Center Internal Tournament



Thirty clerical and executive staff members participated in the CP Retailing and Distribution Business Group Internal Tournament, held from August to September 1994.



The Commanding General, Pichai Chhinnasotta, presents the prizes at the Lopburi/Chiangmai Inter Club Friendship Tournament, held at the Artillery Center, Lopburi.



Five teams from commercial firms and one team from Kasetsart University competed in the Bangkok Go Friendship Tournament, held from November to December 1994.

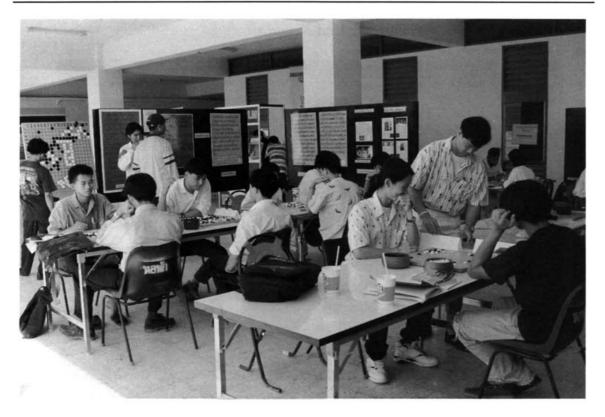
Go Around the World



Mr. Korsak Chairasmisak, the President of the Thai Go Association, took time off from his busy schedule to give introductory talks on go at various business luncheons and other special events. He also gave lectures at several well-known universities and was interviewed by the press about go.



The Thai Go Club in Bangkok organized two demonstrations of go at The Assumption University and Thammasart University. Hundreds of students visited our booths.



Demonstration class for university students



During 1994, 17 basic go classes, each attended by 15 to 20 pupils, were conducted at the Club and at universities in Bangkok.

United Kingdom



Harold Lee (centre) and first-place winners Matthew Cocke (left) and Shutai Zhang at the 1994 London Open

As the year of the hen faded into the year of the dog, over 100 players battled at go at the London Open. The opening one- day fast-play event saw two players unbeaten at the top: Shutai Zhang, the Chinese from London, and Matthew Cocke, the young maverick from Liverpool. Shutai also won the Lightning, beating T. Mark Hall in an exciting final. In the Open itself players battled under Ing Rules thanks to sponsorship by the Ing Foundation. However, Hitachi were the main sponsors, donating a large TV to the top school - Culcheth from Cheshire. Shutai again won all his games to win ahead of Macfadyen, Cocke, Hall, Wall, and Rickard. Top visitor was 2-dan A. Grzeschniok from Germany who was sixth and also won the Hitachi camcorder in the winners' draw.

During the year the regional titles were shared around the top British players. Leamington Club took their share of trophies, with Matthew Macfadyen 6-dan winning at Furze Platt and Barmouth, Nick Webber 3-dan winning on tie-break at Wanstead and Toby Manning putting in a good

result at 2-dan to win the Three Peaks Tournament. Yet another club member Des Cann 4-dan won at Shrewsbury to ensure that the goban, usually held by Macfadyen, stayed in the club. Stevenage's William Connolley 3-dan won at Oxford, and Cambridge's John Rickard 4-dan won the Wessex and tied on home ground with T. Mark Hall 4-dan. Hall also won at Swindon. Simon Shiu 3-dan of Teesside won twice, at Leicester and Birmingham, whilst Reading's Edmund Shaw 5-dan won Milton Keynes and Wanstead's Alistair Wall 4-dan won the Scottish Open in Edinburgh. Tony Goddard 5-dan travelled from Belfast to Dublin to win the Irish Open. The 1994 West Surrey Handicap was won by Paul Margetts 1-kyu from Epsom Downs, whereas shodan Jonathan Chetwynd from London won the same tournament at the end of 1993.

The British was hosted by Leamington Club at Warwick University. 114 players attended and despite organising and the distraction of a parallel bird watchers' conference Matthew Macfadyen kept a clear head to win the British Open ahead of Des Cann



Jones v. Jones at the British Congress

and win the Lightning by beating Dutch 1kyu Steven van Belle in the final.

The Northern was the first tournament in the 1994-95 European Grand Prix circuit.

However, the mainland Europeans chose to go to the Obayashi Cup in Amsterdam instead. This left Des Cann and Matthew Cocke with the chance to tie for first, having



Ms. Shoji playing a simultaneous at the Central London Go club (14 October)



T. Mark Hall beats Francis Roads despite double-headed dragon (Swindon, 6 November)

drawn their mutual game. The other places were taken by Messrs Shiu, Webber, Hall, Thorsteinsson, Rickard, Shepperson, Hazelden, and Manning.

The first stage of choosing the challenger for Shutai Zhang's British Championship was the six-round Candidates' Tournament. Cocke, Matthews, May, Webber and Hall were the five who survived to the next stage. Reserve was Andrew Jones. In the Challengers' League Matthew Cocke was still on form, finishing second ahead of Shaw, but behind Macfadyen, who will be attempting to regain the title after returning from his autumn stay in Japan.

Also in Japan in 1994 was Des Cann who was 21st in the World Amateur in Kyoto. He was placed the same as Shepperson in 1993, despite losing to expatriate Jim Bates, who was 22nd for Australia. Alison Cross 1-kyu won the women's qualifier and represented Britain at the WWAGC; she was placed 19th. Pair Go champions were Nick Webber and Alison Jones who, in Japan, lost to USA in the first round and then had fun in the handicap section.

Schools' Champions were Brakenhale School from Bracknell, who won after nine times of Furze Platt winning. The Under 18 and Youth Champion was Joseph Beaton. David King won the Under 16 and JohnPaul Kenton the Under 14.

In friendship matches against the London Japanese, the spring tournament and the Battersea Park Matsuri were won by the Brits and Central London won the autumn team tournament. Some of the strongest Japanese had returned home, leaving their team a little weaker at the top than normal.

In club events Reading won the Thames Valley Go League Tournament on tie-break from Epsom Downs, and Wanstead won the Pink Stone and the Teesside Team Tournament. Leamington held on to the Jubilee Challenge Trophy after beating off some strong challenges from the above clubs.

Very few British attended the European in Maastricht, with only Clive Wright winning a prize in either main or weekend. The reason for the lack of British was a strong attendance at the US Open in Washington DC. John Rickard won the 4-dan section, Nick Webber the 3-dan, and Tony Warburton the 1-kyu section.

In the Die-Hards Tournament Jim Clare and John Rickard won prizes. Prizes were also won at Pair Go, but the most important victory was the British win in the International Friendship match — though of course the taking part is always more important than the winning!

(Report by Tony Atkins)

1994: The Year in American Go by Roy Laird

(Special note: To minimize confusion about the order of Asian names, the following convention is used throughout this article: The names of Asian players residing in Asia will usually be reported family name first, with a comma separating them, while Asian-Americans will be named 'Westernstyle', that is, given name first.)

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We begin this year's article with a report on a growing phenomenon in the US — the 'workshop'. Blessed as we are with so many resident pros, we have seen the natural growth of a series of public and private seminars arising around the country that focus on study and improvement, with actual competition only secondary. Jim Kerwin's week-long Hollyhock Farms seminar in British Columbia in August has grown rapidly over the past several years, inspiring Chinese 9-dan Jujo Jiang to conduct a successful spring workshop in Cleveland. As Chris Garlock reports below, Kerwin's new winter workshop kicked off 1994 for the US.

James Kerwin's Winter Workshop by Chris Garlock

January 1994: a major earthquake rocked California; bitter cold held the nation in an icy grip; the Buffalo Bills lost their fourth consecutive Super Bowl; President Clinton outlined the State of the Union.

And now, the important news: the American Go Calendar has a major new event, Jim Kerwin's Winter Workshop.

The first annual winter workshop drew 13 hardy go players to New York's Catskill Mountains for five chilly days, January 26– 30. Although the workshop officially began at noon on Wednesday, January 26, most of the players arrived the night before, in an attempt to beat yet another winter storm.

The original complement of 12 players was rounded out to a baker's dozen when Franklin Pierce abandoned his post at the New York Stock Exchange for a more useful pursuit.

Hosting the workshop was the venerable Solway House, a cross between a mountain resort and a bed-and-breakfast. The food and accommodations were excellent, although for some reason the tennis court and swimming pool went oddly unused. Maybe next year.

Mealtime discussions were always energetic and engaging, with table-mates of Mr. Kerwin's assured either a lively political debate or discussion of a wide range of gorelated issues.

Sensei Kerwin set a grueling pace, with three games a day, and two analysis sessions. Responding to suggestions at last year's Hollyhock Workshop, the analysis sessions were limited to 25 minutes each, allowing analysis of almost all games played. As is typical of many of these events, the criticism from the other players was far more merciless than that by Mr. Kerwin, who endeavored to find redeeming qualities whenever possible (a difficult, if not often impossible task).

The focus of the workshop was learning to play the 'power game', a concept of play that many grasped mentally but found strangely difficult to actually implement.

Essentially, this involves swapping territory for power: the key is knowing how -and when - to use the power thus acquired. Workshop participants looking for easy answers to the question 'How do I get stronger' heard this simple reply: 'Study, study, study.' A tremendous advantage of this workshop was the fact that none of the games were AGA-rated, which enabled students to freely experiment with the concepts being advanced by Mr. Kerwin. Winning was not rewarded, nor losing punished: playing well was recognized and applauded while poor play was held up to criticism (and withering ridicule from fellow students).

The evening game was always a handi-

capped game, and during the course of the workshop everyone got a chance not only to play each other but to play Mr. Kerwin, as well. In point of fact, playing with Mr. Kerwin was more of an exercise in the art of resigning. (Except, it must be noted for the record, for the sole victory of student over teacher by Very Serious Student Mark Gilston 1-dan. Cynics may note the fact that it was Gilston who arranged for Solway House to host the event, but I was the other organizer and Mr. Kerwin showed me no mercy in our game, so draw your own conclusions . . .)

Mr. Kerwin's strength as a teacher is his ability to put complex concepts in simple terms. Perhaps his most damning critique of American amateur play is that so many of our amateurs 'have more respect for their own moves than for their teacher's opinion.' In practice, this sometimes led to arguments over lines of play by students having difficulty letting go of old habits.

By the end of the workshop, however, light was definitely beginning to glimmer for most, if not all, of the participants. Many old habits had at least been exposed to the bright light of professional knowledge, and new ideas offered for consideration and study.

At one point Jim Mihailsin 1-dan suggested extended study of a professional game. This 'meta-game' approach got Kerwin thinking about a new teaching approach designed to focus on universal issues, rather than individualistic analyses of specific players' games. All players would be given an opening position from a pro game. In the first phase of instruction, workshop participants would analyze the board situation, then play on from that position. In the analysis session, Mr. Kerwin would be able to skip the endless discussions usually engendered by misplayed sequences in amateur games, and go straight to common misconceptions in the opening.

In the second phase, players would resume the same game at a critical juncture of the middle game, where the balance of power and territory must be accurately assessed in order to develop a good line of play. In the third and final phase, the players would face the onset of the macro-endgame, enabling them to practice the critical endgame skills of counting and understanding the value of sente and gote sequences.

This method would allow players to gain crucial 'distance' from the game, since it is not entirely 'theirs'. Winning and losing would became academic in the joint search for deeper understanding of the game. With the promise of this colloquy ahead, the participants scraped five days of snow and ice off their cars on Sunday and drove off with Sensei Kerwin's assurance that proper application of the power game would demolish unsuspecting opponents (and thus, fortuitously, assure THEIR attendance at next year's Winter Workshop).

Janice Kim Places Second in Korean Pro Tournament

While Kerwin was preparing and giving his workshop our other native-born pro, Janice Kim, was in Korea surprising even herself as she moved toward the final round of a televised Korean professional tournament. She filed this report.

On December 1st last year (1993) I received a fax from my teacher Jeung Soohyun 7-dan. The Education Broadcast System, a new television network in Korea, was sponsoring a speed tournament for women professionals and asked if I would participate. I was nervous about playing a speed tournament on television, especially when I heard that I needed to be in Seoul on the 3rd to draw for the first pairing. In my usual fashion I decided to leave it up to fate and called the airlines, expecting to be laughed at when I explained that I needed a ticket the next day at a reasonable price. Evidently the Fates had decided I would play. I found myself on the plane headed for Seoul with no time for cram sessions or ginseng infusions.

This is the kind of thing my parents call 'running around,' as in 'Janice, you shouldn't be running around like this.' Clearly, they are not impressed by fate's role in these matters.

It is always a mystery to me why people smile indulgently when I talk about how old I feel. Whereas just a few years ago I could regard a trans-Pacific flight as an opportunity to catch a few movies, I now stumble off planes with the lower back pain of a forty-year-old car mechanic. Coupled with the accommodations in Seoul (my grandmother actually uses a ceramic headrest instead of a pillow), I appeared at the Korean Go Association's main building at 10:00 a.m. the next day with the cheesy smile plastered to my face that I reserve for being informed that I have submitted the winning number in the Publishers' Clearing House Sweepstakes, but have forgotten to paste the gold seal on my entry.

At the same time as the EBS Cup, the women's Guksoo title was being held, so it was determined that I would play in the league. I drew the pole position and found myself playing the first round at 10:30. Photographers were snapping pictures wildly as I sat down to face my first opponent, a girl who hadn't started playing go when I became a professional in 1987. I was completely taken aback by the calm and decisive way she snapped the stones down. With three hours per player, I didn't even make it to lunch.

I found out later how it was the young woman had become so strong so quickly: Mr. Gwon's Go Training Camp, termed by a friend of mine the 'Go-lag' for reasons I was yet to discover. That evening I was enrolled as a temporary inmate of the Camp, with fifty odd professional and strong amateur members, equally divided between girls and boys, average age fourteen. There are no ranks, however: everyone plays even games, and even Yoo Chang-hyuk, winner of the Fujitsu Cup, gets a friendly challenge to solve a home-cooked problem from a laughing twelve-year-old boy. I played two games and found myself (where else?) in B League.

I draw the tenth position in the EBS Cup, so I don't have to play for quite a while. I watch the opening rounds, the older women visibly shaking and muttering and the Go Camp members expressionlessly watching their namecards go up the ladder. The tournament is a very serious affair, with prize money equalling or exceeding some other titles held by such luminaries as Lee Chang-ho. All the contestants are presented with two-inch solid kaya boards in plastic shopping bags. At the Camp, the bags flutter like giant confetti around the playing room.

My first game in the EBS Cup is against Cho Young-suk, the first woman to become a professional in Korea. I've played twice with her, once winning in my professional promotion and losing in an exhibition game later. At the time of my loss Jimmy Cha said, 'She's quite strong, isn't she?' At the Camp, Jimmy Cha himself is playing with Yoon Young-sun, the favorite to win both women's titles this year. He has just lost his big corner territory by a rather clever invasion on Young-sun's part. She is a tall, older-looking junior high schooler with a deep voice and a cheerful, outgoing manner — I like her immediately.

Jimmy regales the groups that go out for dinner with funny stories and tales from the American go hinterlands. He explains how in America they don't understand the nature of handicap play, or just how big nokomi or reverse-komi handicaps are. So when he comes to Korea sometimes he forgets and tries to play White and give reverse komi with Korean amateurs and gets trounced. I reflect that this is not really saying how strong Korean players are but saying something about go itself, that as Black in handicap play one may, if inspired enough by winning yet chilled enough to pull it off, adopt virtually risk-free strategies that result in micro losses (i.e. the ones we discard in even games as 'unfavorable') for a virtually risk-free win. Young-sun plays very hard, refusing to accept even a small loss in the last fight even though she is ahead. Eventually she resigns and they review. Things that make you go hmm, indeed.

Jujo Jiang 9-dan, who is in town, sits patiently during these long dinners in which every word goes down in Korean. He's just finished playing with Lee Sang-hoon 3 dan, whom I saw last when he was 11 years old and who is now one of the top young play-

ers in Korea. Sang-hoon was one of the special insei who by character and/or exploit earned a nickname (it's a pun that fails in translation.) I (another former nicknamed insei, 'Dosirak' or 'Lunchbox') was so impressed by his skill in this game (on which Sang-hoon made no comment and Jujo mentioned in disgust that they both made a poor showing in the horrifically bloody opening) that I followed him around asking to play and review my games, causing some disturbance. He was very gracious about it, so when I left, in addition to giving small presents to the girls at the Camp I gave him a fancy lighter that I bought on the street. I bought another one as a gift for the manager of the Go Institute, but discovered later that it was sans a crucial part of the mechanism.

I win the game against Cho Young-suk. I must with some embarrassment transmit what my kind of go playing is called: 'genius go.' This is not really a compliment. It essentially means that I daydream while playing, relying on what I know rather than on hard analysis. This flaw seemed to be working to my advantage in the EBS Cup, since the time limit of thirty seconds per move eliminated some of the advantage the other players had in actually thinking about what they were doing. I didn't figure this out until later, I was just faintly surprised to find myself advancing in the tournament.

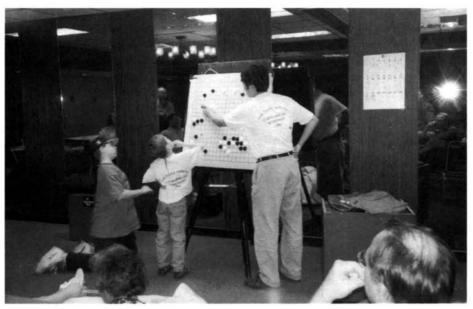
What is it like to play in a tournament on television? What things crossed my mind? Cho Nam-chul 9-dan, in the opening remarks, admonished us not to think of the 'eight million people watching,' but I wondered what would happen if one suddenly, desperately had to go to the bathroom, cluck like a chicken, etc. Answer: You don't. You are paralyzed by the lights. Go truism: it is hard to win and easy to lose, and losing gets easier and easier as one gets better. So getting better at go is about making it easier to lose, until not even a small mistake but a less than perfect move is all it takes to drop into the abyss. One glides toward the axis of losing, until one is infinitesimally close.

I must play with all the other members of B League in order to enter A League. By this time I am recovered sufficiently to hold

off my pre-teen competition. Everyone says I have improved radically by being entered in the Camp. I have trouble accepting the idea that I have improved a stone in a week but who knows. I periodically suggest that I am struggling to keep it together but my sunny roommate assures me that this is true of everyone. This strikes me as being similar in logic to feeling better about having a brain tumor because all my co-workers have one too. There must be some psychological component because whereas each one of my victories in B League seems hard fought, when Yoo Chang-hyuk stops by I win my game in eleven minutes. I am showing off.

There is a very cute little boy from Taiwan who is staying in Mr. Gwon's house, who is one of the top players in A League. Mr. Gwon gives each student in the house a 1000-won bill and we play a straight knockout tournament, with the winner to take the proceeds. I feel guilty about corrupting minors and even worse about being unable to defeat this boy, whose name sounds very similar to 'Johnny O.' For the first time Johnny O and I play in the final round and I emerge the victor. I buy french fries with my prize for everyone at the Camp, and Young-sun is startled to hear where the money came from. 'Won the tournament?' She pauses, disconcerted. 'Even games?' This is spurious, as they are always even games. My friend John Lee says, 'It's really weird how everyone thinks you're so weak, Jan.' My Jungian totemic analysis of the situation is that everyone thinks I am a prairie dog, but actually I am a hawk. Giggle if you will.

I defeat Young-sun in the EBS Cup, I advance to the final round. I walk into the Kiwon and am immediately enveloped in good vibrations. 'You must have gotten stronger,' Baek Sung-ho 8-dan breaks from his game to say to me. 'Just lucky,' I smile back. Players are stopping, nodding and smiling. This is fun, I could get used to this. Reporters are asking questions, photographers are taking photos. I am selected to play the New Year's Game on television, which I play in a traditional costume designed for someone weighing, say, 78



Jujo teaches the youngsters while workshop participants look on.

pounds easily. The producer isn't aware that I can play go at all. My former arch nemesis as an insei is the game recorder and sends death messages telepathically. I'm informed that the ratings jumped and they'd like to thank me for appearing and the Korean IRS will be taking my playing fee. The inane quotes attributed to me in the papers make me embarrassed. A journalist calls to harangue me about missing an interview I knew nothing about. I feel somewhat lonely and surprisingly bored in those little 'in-between' moments. It would be disingenuous for me to suggest that I study go at times like this. I really only like to play and review, or failing that, go to lunch (now you know the origin of my nickname, perhaps). Nevertheless, this kind of fame is interesting. Sang-hoon laughs and says, 'So that's it. You don't care for better or worse, only that life must be interesting.'

'How much did you win by?' a girl at the Camp asks.

'Half a point,' I reply.

Her eyes widen. 'Big sister Young-sun must have been so mad!'

Måd? I think, surprised. I have yet to see the Campsters evoke any emotion before, during, or after a game.

I find them perfect in equanimity.

Jujo's Bootcamp 3 by Chris Garlock

'Down on the ground, give me twenty tsume-go problems!'

'Yes, sir!'

Well, maybe it wasn't quite that tough, but Jujo's 'Bootcamp #3' was no vacation for the 28 recruits who showed up at the Cleveland Quality Inn May 11 through 15.

The six-round rated tournament was replaced this year with a four-round tournament, which was voted a rated tournament after discussion by the players, some of whom felt that the learning process would be enhanced by not rating the games.

A 'tag-team' event was added this year, in which several teams played Jujo simultaneously. In theory two or more heads should be better than one but in practice the reverse was true. In fact, the teams of stronger players often spent much of their time arguing with each other about where they should move. Still, these games were useful exercises in thinking about the where and why of moves. The marathon analysis sessions that earned previous workshops the 'Bootcamp' title were back. Daily tournament games were grist for the mill of Sgt. Jujo's merciless wit and wisdom, and raw meat for the ferocious criticism of fellow players, all conducted in the good-natured pursuit of higher go knowledge.

One highlight of this year's Workshop was an exciting game between Jujo and Jing Yang, a former teammate of his from China who now lives in the Cleveland area. And participants also especially enjoyed the Mongolian Barbecue Banquet on Saturday night.



Tournament winner Wanda Metcalf with Sensei

Host Robert Chu worked hard throughout the event to accommodate the players' every need. The entire menu was completely changed to a more varied and healthful diet, fresh fruit was provided daily in the playing room, and the nosmoking rule was vigorously enforced, ensuring a healthier playing atmosphere.

An exciting addition this year was the attendance of two young players, Benjamin Garlock, 18-kyu, eight years old, and Pierre-Yves LaFleche, 4-kyu, 12 years old. These two representatives of a new go generation were given much encouragement by the rest of the players.

This year's winner was Wanda Metcalf, 3-kyu, who won three out of four games to earn an armful of great prizes to accompany the tournament trophy. Her accomplishment was testament both to her victories on the board and to the teaching ability of Jujo: Wanda has attended all three Bootcamp sessions.

Agreement Reached with Ing Foundation

The agreement is signed, and the money is here. The AGA will receive a donation of \$90,000 cash and \$10,000 in equipment, each year for the next three years. The AGA will use this grant to promote go and Ing's SST Rules of Goe.

The agreement states: 'Both parties desire to advance and further the game of go and Ing's SST Rules of Goe in the United States of America and the Western hemisphere. The AGA recognizes that the Ing rules are a legitimate and well-considered solution to the problem of international go rules and wishes to reconsider its own rules in light of the work of the Ing Foundation and Mr. Ing Chang-ki. . . . The AGA shall evaluate and promote Ing's SST Rules of Goe. This will include educating our members and youth, sponsoring tournaments using Ing SST Rules, and holding meetings to discuss, explain and promote the Ing SST Rules. Tournaments that use Ing funds will use Ing rules.'

Four general types of project are under consideration:

• Sponsored amateur tournaments: Any existing tournament that wishes to use the SST Rules of Goe can apply for sponsorship funds, which will probably be allocated based on the number of people expected to attend. Note that you will need Ing bowls (supplied in this grant) to use the Ing rules. Clubs can also request shipments of equipment to upgrade their facilities and for use as prizes, though tournament supplies will have first priority this year. Newly created tournaments and events are also welcome to apply.

•*Pro Tournament:* A special Masters League will be promulgated, probably along the lines of major Asian tournaments. American pros, and possibly some selected top amateurs, will compete in a league throughout the year, with many games played on the Internet Go Server. At the end, a challenger will be selected to take on the current title holder, in a series to be played at the US Go Congress. This year we will pick a title holder; next year and in succeeding years, we will pick a challenger.

• Education: When AGA President Phil Straus asked for ideas on how to use the money, one frequent suggestion was a professionally produced introductory video, for the average non-player. Other educational ideas, especially about teaching children, are also fundable.

•*Public Relations:* Straus also intends to retain a PR firm at a small fee, probably a few thousand dollars, and challenge them to pay for themselves with an equivalent number of new members.

The AGA is very grateful to the Ing Foundation for this tremendous opportunity to promote go in America. Straus, former AGA Treasurer Michael Simon and professional Janice Kim have written a short and clear statement of the Ing rules, a usable guide for players and tournaments conducted under the Ing rules.

The Ing funds will be used for special projects only. They will not be used to underwrite operating expenses. Journals, Newsletters and other member services will be covered by member dollars. We won't depend on outside support for our basic operations.

Personnel Changes

A series of new officers took over, beginning with Treasurer Michael Simon's resignation. Simon computerized AGA finances, led the struggle to control our costs, and was the primary author of the new AGA Corporate Bylaws and an indispensable partner in negotiating with the Ing Foundation. Simon continues to pursue other go-related projects with Nihon Ki-in America and otherwise. He was replaced by Pauline Muhm Pohl of Chicago.

Larry Gross replaced Gary Choi as Western Vice-President early in the year, passing along the job of recording secretary to Mike Goerss of Minneapolis. Longtime Tournament Coordinator Ken Koester stepped down at the end of the year, and Central VP Clay Smith is now fulfilling these responsibilities as well. And Evan Behre took over as Membership Secretary from Chris Garlock. His first project, described below, was to organize the first AGA-sponsored tournament on the Internet Go Server.

Teaching go In College

Peter Schumer filed this report on his efforts to teach go at a small New England college where he is a faculty member:

I have been teaching a fully accredited go course at Middlebury College since 1986. By school regulations, it is a 12-week, writing-intensive, interdisciplinary seminar. The 16 students are all in their first semester at college, and I also serve as their academic advisor. This fosters a very close and friendly atmosphere conducive to learning a new skill like go. Below I give a cursory overview of the course.

We meet for six hours a week (two oneand-a-half hour classes and one three-hour playing session). The students are given a detailed syllabus including homework and daily class schedule and are told to expect to work as hard as one would in an introductory language course. Class attendance is mandatory. Grades are based on four writing assignments, written game analyses, one test, go-playing proficiency and class participation. They can earn extra credit by attending additional go club meetings or helping in promotional activities.

Students are expected to buy a portable magnetic set and several introductory go books — for example, *The Magic of Go* by Richard Bozulich, *Graded Go Problems* Vols. I and II by Kano Yoshinori and *In the Beginning* by Ikuro Ishigure, as well as Kawabata's beautiful novel *The Master of Go*. The students also attend a few evening goclub sessions and view a couple of videos and movies — including the Chinese/Japanese film *The Go Masters* and a Japanese documentary on the life of Takagawa (available at the Japanese consulate in Montreal). Middlebury College has graciously provided enough 9×9, 13×13 and full board sets as well as a large display set and game clocks.

Since the course is writing-intensive, there is much time spent on writing, analyzing games and rewriting papers. The four papers emphasize different goals of the course.

1. A technical manual with diagrams entitled 'The Rules of Go'.

2. A creative writing assignment called 'Go as a Metaphor'. (This paper is the most fun for me and rewarding for the students.)

3. A research paper on some Asian tradition or art form (as much for my own edification as for theirs!).

4. An essay on *The Master of Go* or a review of *The Go Masters*.

Some years I've also included a paper on the topic 'Competition versus Collaboration.'

I urge students to record a lot of their games and to review them afterwards. They just turn in four game commentaries. These include:

1. an early 9x9 game with analyses from both players when first played early in the semester and a later retrospective analysis

2. a recent full board game with analysis of the opening and three key positions

3. an analysis of a 9-stone handicap game I played against the class

4. discussion of a professional match

Students spend the first week playing only 9×9 games and the next two weeks 13×13 . I spend a fair amount of time answering questions and even playing some simultaneous games. Basically, I ensure that everyone understands the rules and gets a running start on the course. Next they all write a letter home about go for some writing practice and give go some additional publicity. After that we move up to 19x19 games, and they mainly play one another. However, we spend a fair amount of time replaying games on the demonstration board and having the class make constructive suggestions. We also play a fair amount of pair and team go as an exercise in viewing the game from another's perspective. Occasionally I have the students switch sides midway through a game. As an endgame exercise, I present the opening and middle of one of my own games. Then the class pairs up and plays out the rest of the game to see who can win by the most points, but the competition is always friendly.

Lecture topics include:

Introduction and Rules of Go History: Antiquity-1600 Life and Death Basics (Three parts) Shicho, Geta and Snapback Cutting and Connecting Sente and Gote History: 1600-1868 **Fuseki Basics** Shape Joseki (Three parts) Tesuji (Two parts) Handicap Go Joseki and Tactics Attack and Defense The Go Seigen/Kitani Minoru Game History: 1868–1970 Tactics vs. Strategy Go Proverbs The Current International Go Scene Amateur Go Computer Go

Students are required to actively participate in the tesuji and life and death discussions. Originally I hesitated to give too much history, but the students like hearing about the lives of the great players. Like us, it gives them something to dream about!

I also have created about 20 class handouts, many of which are my own game commentaries. One of the most useful is 'Go Vocabulary', which contains about 40 common go expressions. Others are newspaper or magazine articles, including the Sports Illustrated article on Nie Weiping and a classic Life magazine article dated May 18, 1942 which contains some good pictures of Japanese soldiers playing go as well as Edward Lasker at the New York Go Club. Other handouts are *Go World* reprints such as 'Go and the Three Games' and 'Go and Intelligence.' I've also included a chronological list of the heads of the four Japanese go houses and a similar list of the Honinbo, Meijin and Kisei title winners. At the end of the course I encourage them to join our local club, become an AGA member and give them a reading list for further study.

The course culminates with a five-round tournament and a class banquet. The best students tend to be around 15-kyu at the end of the course, but I once had two students push each other to 8-kyu! I try to play down the somewhat natural fixation on rankings and beating other people. Instead, I play up the idea of self-improvement and the notion of cultivating a lifetime interest in a creative art. All in all, the course has been a rousing success, and I encourage others so positioned to give it a try.

Washington's Other Congress Tenth Anniversary is the Biggest Yet

Hundreds of go players descended on Marymount College in Washington DC from August 6–13 for the largest US Go Congress yet. With 12 professionals to teach and over 30 foreign attendees representing 13 countries, this event was particularly international in character. This is probably as it should be, since it was Haskell Small's visit to the European Go Congress in the early 1980's that inspired this same group of organizers to host the first US Go Congress nine years ago.

The usual abundance of tournament activity was evident, including the US Open, the North American Ing Cup invitational playoff among the top rated 16 US players, playoffs for a total of four slots representing the US in various Asian international tournaments, and handicap, one-day, smallboard and other tournaments throughout the week. The total attendance of 270 breaks all records for European Go Congresses before the breakthrough 1985 EGC. **US Open** (Directors: Sam Zimmerman with Allan Abramson and Duane Burns)

The national championship is the biggest tournament of the year. With 90 minute per player time limits (120 minutes in the highdan sections) and a leisurely pace (one game per day), serious players of all strengths see it as a chance to play their best go. The 230 players in this year's event broke all records for North American tournament attendance. The championship went off without a hitch, literally: in over 600 matches, not one dispute had to be resolved by the TD.



US Champions Keun-Young Lee with banquet emcee Keith Arnold

Last year's champion, 18-year-old John Lee, lost his last two rounds. The winner of this year's U.S. Open is Keun-Young Lee from Baltimore, and Jong Moon Lee took second, but as Keun-young Lee is not a citizen, Jong Moon Lee will represent the U.S. in Japan.

Keun-young Lee is a longtime resident of the U.S. A soft-spoken and wonderfully friendly person, he was the first person to graduate from Choong-am, the great go school in Korea. If all the 'Choong-am-sters' were tallied, the combined pro dans of everyone who went to Choong-am would be more than 100, including Lee Chang-ho's seven. Keun-young Lee did not turn pro but has taught many now-famous pros and is one of the people in the most respected go circle in Korea. Janice Kim called Mr. Lee's last game in the US Open 'the most interesting game I have ever seen in America.'

North American Ing Cup (Director: Chris Kirschner)

This was the fourth such invitational tournament sponsored by the Ing Chang-ki Goe Educational Foundation with \$23,000 in prizes and fees, featuring 16 top-rated US players and top seeds from last year. John Lee, the young lion who is dominating the US go scene, prevailed over a field of tough Korean-Americans that included soon-to-be WAGC rep Jong Moon Lee and L.A. terrors Thomas Ko (who beat Jimmy Cha in last year's Fujitsu), Soo II Kim and Woo Jin Kim.

Redmond Cup (Director: Mike Bull)

This new event was organized by Michael Redmond's mother Noné, who is in a good position to know what children can achieve if they learn go while young. Youngsters from around the country in two categories (under 12 and 12-and-over) played a series of matches on the Internet Go Server, and the four finalists won trips to the Go Congress, where the final games were played for a first prize of \$200. James Chien 6-dan, who had just finished 4th for the US in the World Youth Wei-ch'i Championship the previous week, won the senior division, and Jonathan Wang 1-dan took the junior division. Mrs. Redmond writes:

'The organizers are grateful to the American Ing Foundation in Menlo Park for underwriting the four finalists' and their escorts' round trip flights, and to Timothy Jeans of Vallejo, CA for the gift of prize money. We received a big welcome at the Congress and thank the organizers for their generous hospitality. Most of all, though, the enthusiasm of the young contenders themselves and the dedicated work of those people who organized tournaments and taught these youngsters in the first place must be acknowledged with respect and gratitude. Many thanks also to Michael Bull, who organized the IGS League so that these young people could play their games without having to travel long distances, making the entire Redmond Cup Tournament an economic possibility.

'The stakes have been raised for the U.S. contenders in the Redmond Cup: the top U.S. players will be playing for the US in the Ing 12th World Youth Goe Champion-ship next year.

We are hoping that young people all over America will register to enter this tournament. Competition makes the play stronger and it is high time that children in this country had their own go tournament to play. The Redmond Cup is open to North and Central American youths in two divisions: Juniors (under 12 years of age) and Seniors (12 to 17 inclusive).

'There were more children in general at the Congress than in other years. Maybe it's time for the Congress itself to have a youth tournament!'

> US Women's Championship (Director: Wanda Metcalf)

A field of 12 women made this Women's Championship the largest ever. First prize in this annual event is the right to represent the US at the World Women's Go Championship, held later this year in Japan. After years of coming in second, Debbie Siemon 3-dan edged her way past Joanne Phipps 3dan, who played for the US in 1992. (There was no World Women's Championship in 1993.)

US Pairs Championship (Director: Don Wiener)

This event is distinguished from 'team go' by the requirement that teams must consist of two players, one male and one female. Twenty-four teams showed up to battle for the ticket to the World Pairs Championship in Japan this December. Last year's winners prevailed again — Women's champ Debbie Siemon and Ing Cup winner John Lee are turning out to be the pair to beat in this event. A lower section was won by Niek Van Diepen, the Secretary of the European Go Federation, and his fiancee, Annemarie Hovingh — the same couple that won the lower section of the European Pairs Tournament!

North American Computer Go Championship (Director: David Fotland)

This tournament had only four entries this year. Go Intellect, Ken Chen's program that seems to dominate most computer tournaments, took first place over Fotland's Many Faces of Go. Runners-up were Lynn Beus's Contender and Bruce Wilcox's new product, RisciGo.

The Robert G. High Memorial Award

Elwyn Berlekamp established this \$1000 award this year to honor the spirit of the former Membership Secretary and, very briefly, President, who died in a rafting accident last year. Berlekamp, a mathematics professor at Stanford and prominent game theorist, co-wrote the recent book *Chilling Gets the Last Point*, a mathematical analysis of endgame play.

The intent of the Bob High Award is to recognize the author whose work has done the most to excite general interest about go or to illuminate its rich cultural/historical context, as High did with articles ranging from discussion of kadoban systems to the pun-ishing Go Kiburi he created.

This year, to convey the type of article they're looking for, the award committee selected two articles from the recent past: 'Go in the Snow' by Peter Shotwell (Go World #69), a reflection on go in early Tibet, and 'Go Culture in the Emerald City', a whimsical description by Mike Ryan of the so-called Black Hole Go Club (American Go Journal). Both authors received awards of \$1000.

The committee is especially interested in original submissions. Send entries to AGA, Box 397, New York, NY 10113.

Other Events

Central VP Clay Smith directed the Self-Paired Handicap Tournament, in which players challenged anyone within nine stones to handicap games throughout the week and posted the results. This tournament, held every Congress, features such goofy prizes as the 'Dan-Killer' (kyu player who beats the most dans), the 'Grasshopper' (biggest rating increase) and the 'Straight Shooter' (most victories against players of consecutive ranks). This year Chester Zawacki 2-kyu of Chicago dominated this event with most games played (46!), most wins, and most wins over losses.

The Lightning Tournament (TD: Keith Arnold) attracted more than 70 players, who faced off in round robins of six-player tables with ten minutes per player, sudden death! The winner was Allan Chen, a teenaged 5-dan from California.

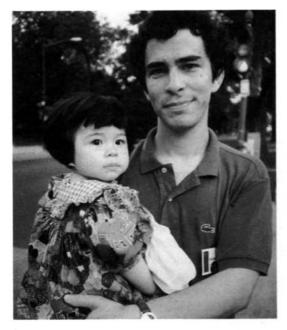
On Wednesday, the traditional day off, the **Die Hard Tournament**, directed by Shai Simonson, attracted over 40 players, a remarkable achievement in the middle of Washington DC. Allan Chen scored again for the top prize.

13×13 and 9×9 Tournaments were directed by Ray Kukol and Bob Barber respectively on Sunday and Thursday evenings. Both events were won by Shunichi Hyodo, who traveled all the way from Kawasaki, Japan to attend!

Mark Gilston conducted a **Team Go** tournament on Tuesday, won by Jim Benthem and his sons Adam and Gerrit. And variations such as three-color go, zen-go, rengo kriegspiel got their annual airing out at **Crazy Go** night under the direction of Terry Benson, along with a new event — 'Go Poker!'

Professionals

This year's complement of pros was more exciting than ever. Topping the list was Michael Redmond 7-dan, the California native who has become, by a wide margin, the strongest Western go player in history. When he was not conducting lectures and playing simultaneous events, he often dropped by the student lounge for a game or two, or three, along with informal comments and discussion, sometimes baby-sitting his delightful little girl at the same time.



Michael Redmond with daughter Emi

Nakayama, Noriyuki 6-dan, the beloved figure who not only attended the first several Congresses but brought groups of Japanese players with him, came alone this time so he could concentrate on teaching. In his lecture, he chastised the US State Department for refusing a visitor's visa to Chinese pro 5-dan Niu, Li-li, now living in Japan, who has visited previous Congresses. At other times his jovial, elfin presence was seen around the playing area and the lounge, picking up games, commenting on records, and enjoying the company of many old friends from previous Congresses.

This year's other special guest was Chun, Sam Jho 7-dan, the Korean pro who has attended nine of our ten Congresses. (He missed last year because of conflicting duties at the World Youth Championship.) Nakayama and Chun were singled out for special recognition for their contributions to the development of the Congress over its first ten years.

Japan and China sent sizable teaching delegations. From China came Wang, Jian Hong 8-dan, Hua, Wei Rong 7-dan and Cheng, Shaolin 6-dan. Japan's representatives included, in addition to Redmond and Nakayama, Oda, Hiromitsu 6-dan and two young women, Nakamura, Kuniko 1-dan and Inoue, Hatsue 1-dan. Mrs. Nakamura and Ms. Inoue tried out a new, popular event, a sort of 'rolling 3 on 1' where three boards are kept active for a total of six or eight games — as games ended other players took the empty boards.



Noriyuki Nakayama

North America's resident pro contingent was led by the now familiar Yi-lun Yang 6dan. Mr. Yang has developed a style of teaching at the Congress that involves taking a basic theme and weaving it into various contexts. This year's 'theme' seemed to involve 'finding the biggest area', having to do with timing in the opening. In game comments, lectures, private lessons, this point came up over and over with successive clarity. Mr. Yang also singled out the games in the Ing Cup for faint praise, finding that their fighting ability exceeded their grasp of other areas, especially shape. He suggested that the players 'study more maybe have good games next year.'

Ms. Xiao-ren He 5-dan from Toronto, who has attended several Congresses, was also there to greet her friends and collect her victories in simultaneous play. Hui-ren Yang, a teaching pro from New York, also attended for the second time. And James Kerwin 1-dan, fresh from conducting a weeklong seminar for 30 players at Hollyhock Farms in British Columbia, gave a particularly effective kickoff lecture, illustrating an approach to persistence in the face of adversity with an astounding recent professional game. Kerwin and Yang also gave group and individual private lessons throughout the week, which filled up quickly when the sign-up sheets were posted.

The pro event schedule came to a dramatic close on Saturday afternoon when Redmond and Wang gave an exhibition of their strength in a fast game analyzed by Yilun Yang. Wang, rumored to be one of China's top ten players, looked like a pretty tough customer until well into the middle game, when Redmond found a splendid tesuji that split Wang's group into three parts.

Instant Go

Among lower-kyu players, one of the likeliest questions is, 'Did you see Bruce's lecture today?' Bruce Wilcox stopped in at the Congress and gave his traditional series of ten lectures. 'With Instant Go,' Wilcox says, 'you'll find good moves about 80% of the time. As a beginner, you can win some games, and you can see what go is all about and decide whether to continue.' Despite an out-of-the-way location, he started the week with about 30 attendees at his lecture, and by week's end his attendance had doubled.

After 20 years, Wilcox has concluded work on NEMESIS, which is still available through Toyogo. He and his wife Sue are developing a new program, to be called RisciGo.

Caution: Children At Play!

Another attendance record was set by the numerous children at this year's Congress. Nearly 20 entered the US Championship, most of them pre-teens, and just about all of them hung in there for the whole week. Children could be found participating in every event. Adam and Gerrit Benthem of Michigan walked away with ten prizes between them. Adam started the week with both rating and age of 12, and won his section in the US Open, his table in the 13×13 tournament, the top prize in the Die Hard tournament on Wednesday, and two prizes in the Self-Paired Handicap Tournament (Champion and Hurricane). His brother Gerrit, 10, won the 9×9 tournament, his section (20-kyu) in the US Open and his table in the Lightning Tournament. Then they teamed up with their father Jim and won the Team Go Tournament. (And we're told there are three more Benthem boys on the way up. Hey guys! Leave some for the rest of us!)

Internet

The Internet Go Server was a prime topic at mealtime and in casual discussion. Some players wrote their Internet 'tags' on their ID badges; the week was peppered with excited cries of 'so you're (so-and-so)!' Mindy McAdams, the author of 'How to Play Go on the Internet', which appeared in the AGJ and the 1994 Ranka, gave a well attended seminar on Thursday.

Is IGS good or bad for clubs? Either way, it's probably good for go. Tournament attendance seems unchanged in the past few years, while AGA membership is growing at its usual slow but steady pace. Our largest growth area is clubs — 14 new clubs signed up last year! Unfortunately, some also left us. But reports of the demise of hand-to-hand go seem premature, rather like predictions 40 years ago that TV would put the movies out of business.

Fun and Friendship

In the past few years there has been noted at Congresses a growing 'party contingent', which usually seeks out a room, buys beer, and makes merry. In fact, the past few Congress directors have had to take this into account in their plans especially room assignments in the prospective vicinity!

This year, the sizable legation from Great Britain and a scattering of other countries (Germany, Finland, the Netherlands, Russia) constituted a critical mass of European Congress veterans. (Libation is a more integral part of our European counterparts.) A provisioning party was duly dispatched before the opening ceremonies. Afterwards, partymeister Paul Margetts discovered he needn't have bothered — beer was discreetly on sale, along with other refreshments, at a snack bar in the student lounge.

The lounge provided the Congress with a much needed center of activity. With the US Open split up into five classrooms, the midway-like atmosphere of the main playing area at other Congresses was missing, but the party room was the best ever. On any given night dozens would throng to the area to play go, play Pits (the card game that has become a Congress staple), even to play the piano as well as guitars and recorders that various musicians had brought to the event. At one point a group of eight recorder players gave a concert. (That's the kind you blow into, not the kind that writes down games!)

The high point came on Saturday, when players gathered for the now-annual 'Singing of the Silly Go Songs'. Francis Roads, the erudite Brit who seems to have started all this, played a moving song that he had written for former AGA President Barbara Calhoun to an American spiritual, inveighing her to 'play your guitar'.

Dispersion of Equipment

After the banquet, the cache of over 100 sets and clocks that has traditionally been shipped from Congress site to Congress site was dispersed as needed to organizers who were present. Clubs, especially on the East Coast, are now better equipped for their meetings and to host larger tournaments. Next year Kirschner plans to receive a bulk shipment of equipment under the Ing grant and disperse it similarly on the West Coast. The projected site for the 1996 Congress is Cleveland; the same procedure will likely be followed, after which we will have achieved a major increase in the assets of most of our clubs.

An unimaginable amount of credit must be given to co-directors Haskell Small and Ken Koester and their army of assistants, especially Allan Abramson, Keith Arnold, Erica Arnold, Evan Behre, Ben Bernstein, Karen Gold, John Goon, Bill Halden, Louise Ingram, Ray Kukol, Jay Lampert, Minoru Matsuda, Mindy McAdams, Bob McGuigan, Anound Modek, Betsy Small, Don Wiener, all the tournament directors, and all the people who stayed on Sunday to help clean up.

Next year's Congress is likely to be especially large, with many pros because of the proximity to Asia and because the Congress will coincide with a major event in Seattle — the opening of the Nihon Ki-in's North American Go Center. It's a great opportunity to sample the dramatic landscape of the Pacific Northwest and to enjoy the friendly and casual ambience of Seattle. If you've been waiting for a Congress to occur a bit later in August, this is your chance — the dates will be August 12–20. (Special efforts will be made to make it a fun time for non-playing family members too. Be there!

New in Print

Mathematical Go

When David Wolfe of Berkeley proposed, in the mid-1980's, to write a doctoral thesis in mathematics concerning the endgame, he was in luck. It happened that Elwyn Berlekamp, the prominent game theorist and co-author of *Winning Ways for Your Mathematical Plays*, was on his faculty, and on his side. Berlekamp became his thesis advisor, and away they went.

The resulting work, and a great deal more, has just been published as *Mathematical Go: Chilling Gets the Last Point* (A.K. Peters, Wellesley, MA, 1994), by Berlekamp and Wolfe. Mathematical techniques are presented for solving late-endgame problems by estimating the 'temperature' of each play, then playing in such a way as to 'cool' the board by one degree. This approach is said to produce proven solutions that can even stump top-ranking professionals.

In the endgame, the player faces a number of small disconnected problems, which combine into a full-board position. Combinatorial game theory, which Berlekamp helped develop, has long been concerned with such sums of games. Here it is applied to solving go-related problems with a bewildering choice of similar moves and subtle priority relationships. The book has received good notices from prominent mathematicians.

Software for IBM format is available from Ishi Press, against which you can practice solutions to all the problems found in the appendix. Berlekamp is already at work on another book pursuing these ideas further. In the meantime, you may wish to look into his '\$1000 Ko Problem'; details are available from Ishi Press.

Korean-American Pro Translates Teacher's Book

Learn To Play Go, by Jeong, Soo-hyun 8dan and Janice Kim 1-dan, is the first go book ever translated from Korean into English. It is also the latest of the 'How-to-playgo' books and perhaps the easiest to understand. Kim, the only Westerner ever to earn credentials as a Korean pro, has adapted the first volume of a three-volume series by Mr. Jeong, who was Ms. Kim's teacher. Mr. Jeong is known in Korea as 'the Professor' for his popularity as a teacher on TV and for his books and magazine articles.

The 7×10 format, larger than Ishi Press books, gave graphic designers Paul Agresti and Michael Simon lots of room to experiment. They came up with a layout that uses big, visually friendly diagrams, quirky artwork and lots of space to break up the density of the material. Sidebars on subjects such as 'The History of Go', 'Go and Computers', etc., also contribute to a light feeling. Kim plans to translate all three volumes in the series.

Killer of Go: Yutopian Translates Sakata Best Seller

Yutopian Enterprises of Fremont, CA, embarked on the publication of a series of English-language translations with a legendary work by a legendary player. Sakata, Eio, so long at the forefront of the go world, produced this book when he was at the height of his powers; it is a classic text on the theme of killing stones, and it went through more than 100 printings in Japan in the 1960's. Sakata conveys the thrill of the chase and the satisfaction of the winner when a well-planned attack bears fruit. He also offers a thumbnail sketch of the history of go through the ages, masterpieces of attack from his own and others' games, fascinating glimpses into the nature of offbeat joseki and shape, as well as fully annotated classic games, such as the famous game between Meijin Shusai Honinbo and Karigane Junichi, hailed as a 'group-killing masterpiece' played between the top players of the early 20th century. Sakata also annotates the first game he played without a handicap against Go Seigen. This tour de force has been supplemented with a glossary and index, invaluable for beginners and aficionados alike, which greatly enhances its value as a reference resource. The translator, who wishes to remain anonymous, traveled to Japan to negotiate the publication rights with Sakata himself.

Yutopian plans to follow up with *A Compendium of Trick Plays,* containing chapters by Ishida Yoshio, Kageyama Toshiro and Mihori Sho, Sakata's co-author on *Killer of Go,* and a selection of 25 problems.

Ishi Press Explains Kikashi

No review of English-language publication would be complete without mentioning Ishi Press's contribution to the English-language go oeuvre for 1994 — *Beyond Forcing Moves*, a treatise on the subtle yet central concepts of timing and initiative (sente, gote and kikashi). The author, Takagi Shoichi, has visited the US several times.

New on Disk: Supplement to Shareware Favorite

Igosup, a teaching supplement to the popular Igo shareware computer program, has just been released by the AGA. It contains a 113-move game on a full-sized board, with each move extensively commented on a beginner's level. This project was coordinated by Roger White, with help from Dewey Cornell, Fred Hansen, Joel Sanet, Shai Simonson, Haskell Small, Norman Whiteley, Larry Gross, and Anton Dovydaitis. *Igo*, which includes a 9×9 version of the go-playing computer program *Many Faces of Go* by Dave Fotland, is the most popular go-related shareware out there. (By the way, we hear the new MFGO upgrade is stronger than ever.) We estimate that thousands of copies have been downloaded from the scores of bulletin boards where it is available. Now all those users can supplement *Igo* with a comprehensive teaching program. A great gift for non-players!

ON THE INTERNET Internet Go Server Moves to Korea

The Internet Go Server, developed by the pseudonymous 'tweet' and 'tim', continued to grow at a dramatic rate. Most of the time in excess of 100 players were logged in, and the server moved to a site with vastly expanded capacity. The drama heightened when rumors surfaced that a substantial offer had been made by an Asian businessman to purchase the rights to the IGS. At year's end, no sale had occurred, the IGS had moved to a new host computer in Seoul, Korea, named 'igs.nuri.net.' US playexperienced serious delays ers and mysterious crashes at first, and stability still depends on the type of internet connection you have. Americans can now sympathize with the plight of the Europeans when the IGS was at hellspark.

With the move to Korea has come a new command — 'bet'. This is a great way to feel involved in a game played between stronger players, as you test your candidate moves against the players' choices. Do 'help bet' on the server.

The most under-utilized resource on IGS is the Go Teaching Ladder. Do 'stats jl' on the server and follow the directions in the info to discover how you can volunteer to analyze games for weaker players and get stronger players to examine and analyze your games.

Geek has done quite a bit of work on the computer side of the server, supporting auxiliary services for IGS, especially a complete game archive. His system (cosmic.com) mirrors the bsdserver.ucsf.edu ftp site, as well as hosting the sgf records of all games that have been played on IGS, back to some date in the electronic mists. Ftp there and poke around, and thank geek if you see him on the server.

Of course we can't speak of people who contribute to IGS without thanking the IGS trinity, who six-handedly established what is either one of the largest go clubs in the world or else simply the world's biggest go club. Thanks tweet; thanks tim; and thanks fmc. Though these three maintain the club, others have been inspired by their work, and help to make it a great place for go. Special thanks go to the Ing Goe Foundation, which generously donated prize money to the world's biggest ever electronic go tournament. Thanks to olli who ran the tournament, and thanks also to the folks who helped out in various ways with the tournament. Thanks to geek, whhosken and jl for providing services that make the server a more complete go club.

Thanks last of all to all the players on IGS, from Australia to Finland, Korea to Canada, Israel to Chile, and all points in between, who make IGS such a great place to play, watch, and learn about go! (*Reported by angus*)

Registration Required

Now you have to register to use the IGS. It isn't hard, it doesn't cost anything, it's just different. And you will 'expire' (or your logon will) if you don't sign on for a couple of weeks. (Note: this change was implemented prior to the move to Korea.)

There is a new Windows client for the PC world, and it works great and looks excellent!

People need to look for a new version of their client periodically. I found some folks complaining about frequent crashes, and it turned out their software was an older version — much more likely to crash!

First AGA Internet Tournament

At this writing, the first AGA-sponsored tournament on the Internet is under way, a five-round AGA-rated tournament using the Accelerated Pairings program. This tournament is for fun and for ratings. There will be no entry fee, nor any prizes. This is an official AGA-rated tournament. US residents must be AGA members; for others, membership in the appropriate national organization is accepted. Players enter at their official AGA rating or other national go association rating, or best estimate. There is an approximate offset of 2.5 ranks when comparing igs ranks in the dan through single digit kyu range. For example, an AGA 3d may be an igs 1k or 1d. Similarly, European ranks are about 1 stone stronger, while Japanese amateur ranks are about 1 stone weaker. Entry ranks for IGS'ers outside the US were figured according to the following scale:

AGA	IGS	Europe	Japan
3d	1k-1d	2d	4d
1k	4k	2k	1d

Time control is 60 15 (60 min per player, with 15 minute overtime cycles to play 25 stones). In general, no additional time should be given except in cases of severe net lag. In this case, it is left up to the players.

As in all AGA tournaments, no player may obtain help from outside sources, nor play out sequences and then take them back. While playing in this tournament, participants must not:

Receive advice/comments/suggestions from others on or off the net.

Refer to books or other printed material.

Play out sequences ahead of actual play on a client, other program, or side board.

Expect the opponent to undo a move.

In short, if it is not allowed at an in-person tournament, then it is not allowed here.

After registration closed, each player was sent a complete list of entrants and their e-mail addresses. As each round of pairing is posted, players are responsible for contacting their opponents and completing their game before the posted deadline. If there is no result after the deadline, one of two things will occur:

1. If both players have made a good effort to contact and schedule, but have not been able to agree on a time to play, both will receive a bye (no result). Any player receiving two consecutive byes (byes for two rounds, one after the other) will be dropped from the tournament.

2. If one player is negligent or seems unreasonable in contacting and scheduling, that player will default. The other player will credited with a win by default. Any player who defaults twice will be dropped from the tournament. Wins or losses 'by default' will not affect either player's ratings.

1994 North American Fujitsu Qualifying Go Tournament

8th North American Fujitsu Qualifying Tournament Scoreboard

Houston, Texas: December, 3-5, 1994					
Round	#1 #2	#3 #4	Place		
1. Michael Redmor	5th				
2. Woo Jin Kim	10+6-	12+ 7-	9th		
3. Charles Huh	11+7-	9+ 6-	7th		
4. John Lee	12+ 8-	11+ 1-	8th		
5. Thomas Ko	13+9+	7+ 8-	2nd		
6. Hak Soo Kim	14+2+	8- 3+	3rd		
7. Jong Moon Lee	15+3+	5- 2+	4th		
8. Jimmy Cha	16+4+	6+ 5+	1st		
9. James Kerwin	1+ 5-	3- 12+	6th		
10.Janice Kim	2- 14+	1- 15-	12th		
11.Michael Zeng	3- 15+	4- 14-	13th		
12.Edward Kim	4- 16+	2- 9-	15th		
13.Dong Soo Kim	5 1-	15-16+	14th		
14.Stanley Chang	6-10-	16+11+	11th		
15.Dino Cremonese	. 7- 11-	13+ 10+	10th		
16.Francisco Carino	8- 12-	14- 13-	16th		

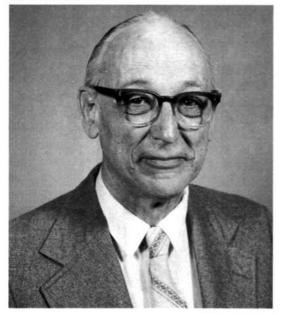
On December 2, 16 top go players, 13 from the US, two from Canada and one from Mexico, converged on the Houstonian Hotel and Conference Center in sunny Houston. Situated on a wonderfully wooded 22-acre lot in sight of downtown Houston and two minutes (by car) from the Galleria Shopping Mall, it made a very nice setting, with a popular jogging trail and excellent accommodations.

The biggest surprise of the tournament took place on Saturday morning. On Board 1, Michael Redmond was paired against Jim Kerwin. Michael took a handful of stones, Jim placed one on the board, the handful was even, so Michael took black. Thus began the upset of the tournament. After both players entered byo-yomi the count was half a point to White! Somewhat stunned, they had to ask again who had won.

In the end Jimmy Cha prevailed, his third victory in this event. Last year it was his turn to be upset by an amateur, Thomas Ko of Los Angeles. It must have been satisfying to win this year with a victory over the same man.

Obituaries

The AGA lost two former presidents in 1995, as reported below by former president Robert McAllister:



Robert Ryder

Dr. Robert M. Ryder

March 8, 1915 — July 21, 1994

Former AGA President Bob Ryder, a familiar figure at Go Congresses and East Coast events, passed away on July 21 in Summit, New Jersey at the age of 79.

A top chess player at Yale, Ryder took up go when his wife gave him a set as a birthday present. He rose to become the first American of Western lineage to be recognized by the Japan Go Association as 5-dan. He served as the AGA's president from 1969 to 1973.

Ryder graduated from Yale in 1937 and got his Ph.D. there in 1940. Joining Bell Labs as an engineer, he was instrumental in the development of a navigational radar system that played a key role in Allied operations during World War II. Later, in a career that spanned 40 years, he worked on teams that developed the transistor and the Telstar communication system.

Ryder shared a strong interest in the rules of go with Karl Davis Robinson, Richard Olmsted and other early AGA'ers, and wrote the first set of American rules. Robinson, whose papers are collected at the Gest Oriental Library of Princeton University, wrote extensively about their findings. Taipei philanthropist Ing Chang-ki, the author of the 'SST Laws of Goe', claims to have been inspired by a paper of Robinson's that he saw in the 1960's.

When Ryder took up go, the then-new 'Kitani' style, with its emphasis on central influence rather than territory, made a deep impression on him. Throughout his career as a player, he explored the implications of this approach in nearly all his games, seeming to find the post-game analysis as instructive as the game itself. Ryder's 'central influence' on the development of the AGA will be long remembered.

Walt McKibben 1926–94

The go world lost one of its most enthusiastic players on October 31, 1994 with the passing of Walt McKibben. Walt was a person of many talents. He had a degree in engineering, but when I first met him he was working as a Wall Street broker. He played the bass viol and the piano and worked extensively as a professional chorister, performing with groups in places such as Carnegie Hall and Radio City Music Hall in New York City. He once conducted at Tanglewood. At times he would leave New York to perform in summer stock in places such as Albany, N.Y. During a recent stay in Japan he performed in 'An Evening with Noel Coward', which was staged by The **Tokyo International Players.**

I first met Walt some 40 years ago, but I

am not sure how we met. It might have been at the Marshall Chess Club on West 10th Street, N.Y., where the New York Go Club met on Monday nights. Or it may have been at the New York Academy of Chess and Checkers, known as Fishers, on 42nd Street. At the time I was just starting the game and Walt was always willing to play with beginners. He used to come to my office on lower Broadway in New York for lunchtime games. Walt would show up with a bag of go stones in each pocket and I would provide the board, the lunch and eventually some competition.

Walt left New York to work in San Francisco for a large brokerage firm. While there he decided to earn his doctorate in finance at the University of California, Berkeley. Walt and Herb Doughty started the Berkeley Go Club on October 12, 1967, when Walt was working as an econometrician, a Cal grad student, an actor with a Shakespeare company, co-director of a large group of Renaissance musicians and president of the American Go Association. As the first AGA president to live outside the NY area, he contributed greatly to making the AGA a truly national organization.

Walt saw in his friend Richard Bozulich someone ready, willing and able to make a major contribution if given the chance, and he helped Richard get that chance — out of which grew Ishi Press and most of the English-language go literature.

After completing his doctorate he went on to teach at the University of Western Ontario, Canada and later at the University of Massachusetts. During this period he developed considerable skill in the art of econometric forecasting and applied this skill for the benefit of various financial institutions in this country, Japan and England.

As I recall, Walt first went to Japan in 1959 and spent some seven months enjoying Japanese life and playing go. During this period he made friends with a number of Japanese professional go players and enjoyed the hospitality of Minoru Kitani's go club — admission to which was by invitation only! After his return he and Paul Anderson shared an apartment at 9 Commerce Street in Manhattan. This residence became a sort of unofficial New York Go Club and served as living quarters for various visiting professional players, including Hiroshi Ozaki and Hirotaka Sanno, as well as a gathering place for members of the New York go community. During this period Walt served as president of the American Go Association.

About seven years ago Walt went to Japan for five years to work for a Japanese security firm. During this period he played go almost daily at the well-known Takadanobaba Go Club in Tokyo and was able to play as a 3-dan in this very strong club. He spent the last several years in London, England and recently returned to his home in Brookline, Mass.

Walt was preparing to return to California when he was felled by a series of strokes in Boston. Walt is survived by his former wife Samantha Jellinek, professor at William and Mary; his daughter Sarah and son Matthew, who were at his side when he died. We shall all miss Walt and our world of go is smaller for losing him.

(Herb Doughty contributed to this article)

Looking Forward to 1995

Americans go players rang in 1995 with a sense of hope and purpose. In addition to the exciting possibilities for growth offered by the Ing Foundation's generous grant, there is a very special Congress to look forward to, as well as a tournament circuit packed with dozens of events throughout the year. We'll be kicking things off with the first game of the Kisei tournament, right in Atlanta, Georgia!

(*Correction:* In last year's article Edward Lasker was described as Emanuel Lasker's cousin. They were in fact unrelated; they were closely associated through their interest and prowess at chess. AGA member Milton Bradley also informs us that the following quotation, attributed to Edward, was actually Emanuel's: 'If intelligent extraterrestrial life is ever discovered perhaps they will play chess, but certainly they will play go.')

Calendar of Western Go Tournaments

This calendar of Western go is an attempt to give an idea of the range of tournament activity in the West by listing the tournament results of which the IGF Office has received notification. For reasons of space, we usually list just the top place-getter in the top section of the tournament. The name of the tournament is given in italics, and in most cases we have not given the full name (omitting 'Tournament' or 'Go Tournament'.) If you would like to see your tournament listed here next year, please drop us a line at the IGF Office.

January

- 30 Dec.-3 Jan.: London Open: Shutai Zhang.
- 2: 4th Kingston Open: Stanley Chang 5-dan.
- 9: Bob High Memorial: Dae Yol Kim 6-dan.
- 15, 16: 10th German Open (Essen): Zhao Pei 5-dan.
- 15, 16: University of Maryland 4th Open: Liming Wang 6-dan.
- 15, 16; 29, 30: Dutch Go Ch'ship: Ronald Schlemper (8-0).
- 16: Massachusetts Go Assoc. Winter Tourney: Pierre Colmez 6-dan (France).
- 22: Winter Warmer (Univ. Illinois at Chicago): Ming Wen 3-dan, Adam Benthem 13-kyu (tied).
- 22: NOVA Quarterly (Winter Warmer): Keith Arnold 3-dan.
- 23: Austin Spring (Texas): Lianzhou Yu 6-dan.
- Jan.-Feb.: 1993 British Ch'ship: Zhang defeated Macfadyen 3-0.

February

- 5, 6: Ottawa Heritage Games' Go Classic: Yuzo Ota 5-dan.
- 11-13: Prague: Shen Guangji 6-dan (China)
- 12: Oxford: William Connelley 3-dan.
- 19, 20: New Jersey Open (Princeton): Jen-Ya Wu.
- 27: Cambridge: T. Mark Hall, John Rickard (tied).
- 27: 15th Winter (Quebec): Stanley Chang 5-dan.

March

- 5, 6: Ing Cup: Guo Juan; 2nd: Rob van Zeijst.
- 12: Philadelphia: Keun-young Lee 6-dan.
- 12: South London: Alastair Wall. 13×13: Francis Roads 4-dan.
- 12, 13: Toronto Open: Zhi-Qi Yu 6-dan.
- 18: Victoria Vernal Equinox (Canada): Sunghwa Hong 6-dan.
- 19, 20: Tulsa: Guangjiong Chen 6-dan.
- 19: Irish Open: Tony Goddard 5-dan.
- 26, 27: Mainz: Kettenring 3-dan.

April

- 2: Paris: Guo Juan 6-dan.
- 8: British Lightning: Matthew Macfadyen.
- 9, 10: Houston Spring: Lianzhou Yu 6-dan.
- 9, 10: Delaware Honinbo: Open (1 day): David Seckel 1-dan; Dan (2 days): Keun-young Lee 6-dan.
- 9, 10: British Congress (Coventry): Matthew Macfadyen.
- 9, 10: Ottawa Open: Stanley Chang 5-dan.
- 10: Massachusetts Go Assoc. Spring: Bogdan Dobrescu 3-dan.
- 15, 17: 6th Lado Omejec Memorial Grand Prix (Bled): Shen Guangji
- 16, 17: Santa Fe After Tax Tournament: David Zeng 4-dan, Michael Wing 2-dan, Stuart Kane 5-

kyu, Philip Hassinger 1-kyu (four-way tie for 1st).

23: Southern California: Thomas Ko 6-dan.

- 23: Vermont Spring: Ken Black 1-kyu.
- 23, 24: Konstanz (Germany): Felix von Arnim 4-dan.

29-1 May: Budapest Grand Prix: Yuri Ledovskii 6-dan (Ukraine).

30: NOVA Cherry Blossom: Michael Zeng 6-dan.

30-1 May: 34th International Hannover Messe: Franz-Josef Dickhut.

30-2 May: Candidates (UK): Matthew Cocke 4-dan.

May

1: 1st HoCoGo Picnic Games (Dayton, Maryland): Keun-young Lee 6-dan.

7, 8: Milan Grand Prix: Rudi Verhagen (Holland), Vladimir Danek (Czech).

11-16: 3rd Jujo's Cleveland Workship: Wanda Metcalf 3-kyu.

12-15: Amsterdam Grand Prix: Shutai Zhang 6-dan.

14: Bracknell (UK): Francis Roads 4-dan.

14: 3rd Slovenian Team Ch'ship: Novo mesto

21: Chicago AGTC: Michael Zeng 6-dan.

21: 16th Quebec Open: Louis Leroux 5-dan.

21, 22: Dallas Go Dance: Guangjiong Chen 6-dan.

21-23: Hamburg Monkey Jump: Shen Guangji.

28, 29: Scottish Open (Edinburgh): Alastair Wall 4-dan.

28-30: Challengers League (UK): Matthew Macfadyen 6-dan.

June

4-6: Helsinki Grand Prix: Shutai Zhang.

17-19: Warsaw Grand Prix: Guo Juan, Janusz Kraszek, Mark Boon (three-way tie).

18: Leicester: Simon Shiu 3-dan.

18: Upper Merion (Pennsylvania): Keith Arnold 3-dan.

18, 19: British Ladies Ch'ship: Alison Cross

25, 26: Welsh Open (Barmouth): Matthew Macfadyen.

25, 26: 11th Ottawa Chinese Cup: Ming-Liang Dong 5-dan.

July

7-10: Slovakian Go Ch'ship: Stanislav Jakubec 4-dan.

16: NOVA July (Falls Church, Virginia): Yuang Zhou 6-dan.

24-August 6: Hitachi European Go Congress (Maastricht): 38th European Ch'ship: Guo Juan. Weekend: Guo Juan. Haya-go: Miyakawa Wataru.

August

- 6–13: US Go Congress (Marymount College, Washington DC). US Open: Keun-young Lee. North American Ing Cup: John Lee. Redmond Cup: Under 12: Jonathan Wang 1-dan; 12and-over: James Chien 6-dan. US Women's: Debbie Siemon 3-dan. North American Computer Go: Go Intellect (Ken Chen).
- 13, 14: Ist Baduk Festival (Garden Grove, CA.): Jiang Danning 6-dan.
- 14, 15: Rocky Mountain Open (Denver): Robert Zeng 6-dan.
- 27, 28: Dortmund: Christoph Gerlach 5-dan.
- 29: Davis/Sacramento Go Club: Jun Kong 3-dan.

September

3, 4: Canadian Open Go Ch'ship: Eungsoo Choi 6-dan.

- 3, 4: Ulm: Felix von Arnim.
- 3,4: Northern Grand Prix (UK): Des Cann 4-dan, Matthew Cocke 4-dan (tied)
- 3, 4: 3rd Obayashi Cup: Shen Guangji.
- 17: Milton Keynes (UK): Edmund Shaw 5-dan.
- 17, 18: Copenhagen Grand Prix: Vladimir Danek 5-dan.
- 17, 18: Eindhoven: Guo Juan.
- 24: Milton Keynes: Edmund Shaw.
- 24, 25: 7th Maribor Open (Slovenia): Milan Zakotnik.
- 24, 25: Augsburg: Lutz Franke 4-dan.
- 30-2 Oct.: Bucharest Grand Prix: Catalin Taranu 6-dan.

October

Australian Ch'ship: Yu Fei Wang.

- 1, 2: Leipzig: Christoph Gerlach.
- 1, 2: 1st Colombes (France): Farid Benmalek 5-dan.
- 3: Shrewsbury (UK): Des Cann 4-dan.
- 8, 9: South African Ch'ship: Victor Chew 5-dan.
- 8, 9: Bochumer Bambus: Zhao Pei.
- 14-16: Brussels Grand Prix: Shen Guangji.
- 14-16: Bratislava Grand Prix: Vladimir Danek 5-dan.
- 20-23: 26th Slovenian Ch'ship (Bled): Leon Matoh.
- 21-23: Swiss Ch'ship: Wang Fei 2-dan.
- 22, 23: Koblenz: Thomas Kettenring 3-dan.
- 23: Wessez: John Rickard 4-dan.
- 27-30: German Ch'ship: Egbert Rittner 4-dan.
- 29, 30: Brussels Grand Prix: Shen Guangji 6-dan.
- 29, 30: Düsseldorf: Kang Jeong-Cheol 5-dan.

November

- 5, 6: Finnish Ch'ship Playoff: Vesa Laatikainen defeated Matti Siivola 2-1.
- 5, 6: Rheda-Wiedenbrück: Jan Schröer and Wolfram Lorenzen (tied for 1st).
- 6: Swindon: T. Mark Hall 4-dan.
- 12, 13: Göteborg Grand Prix: Viktor Bogdanov 6-dan.
- 13: Davis/Sacramento: Jun Kong 3-dan.
- 13: Birmingham: Simon Shiu 3-dan.
- 17-20: Romanian Ch'ship: Catalin Taranu 6-dan.
- 18, 19: World Computer Go Ch'ship: Go Intellect (Ken Chen, USA)
- 19, 20: Rahlstedter Tengen: Christoph Gerlach.
- 26, 27: Three Peaks (UK): Toby Manning 2-dan.
- 28, 29: Berliner Kranich: Sang Nam Park 6-dan.

December

- 3, 4: 8th Rouen: A. Vale-Perez 3-kyu.
- 3, 4: Braunschweig: Malte Schuster 5-dan.
- 3, 4: Houston Fall: Joseph Wang 6-dan.
- 3-5: 8th North American Fujitsu Qualifying: Jimmy Cha.
- 4: 3rd Delaware Valley Regional Ratings: Guang Lin Bai 3-dan.
- 4, 5: Zurich Grand Prix: Rob van Zeijst.
- 10, 11: Fujitsu Cup Qualifying (Amsterdam): Rob van Zeijst; 2nd: Ronald Schlemper
- 17, 18: Rotterdam: Zhao Pei 6-dan.

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476 Bonaccord Street, Peterborough, Ontario K9H 3A6. Contact: John Hillman, tel. (705) 742–1307. E-mail jhillman@trentu.ca

Toronto Go Club

l-383 Mary Street North, Oshawa, Ontario L1G 5C9.

Contact: Pat Thompson, tel. (416) 728-0669.

Toronto Korean Baduk Association

69 Genthorn Avenue. Contact: Kinyu Yoo, tel. (416) 742–2584.

Québec

James Bay Go Club

C.H.L.G.R., Chantier Laforge 1, Baie James, Québec J0M 2A0. Contact: Robert LaFleche, tel. (819) 853– 2011.

Montréal Chinese Go Club

#202, 3441 Aylmer, Montréal, Québec. Contact: William C.W. Fung, tel. (514) 288– 8156.

Montréal Go Club

Tuesday, 19:00, 805 West Sherbrooke, 10th Floor, Montréal, Québec. Contact: Andre Labelle, tel. (514) 368–0436.

New Brunswick

St. John Go Club 1054 Mollins Dr., Apt. 3, St. John, N.B. E2M 4L8. Contact: Robert McLardy, tel. (506) 672– 0013.

Nova Scotia

Halifax Club

1591 Conrose Avenue, Halifax, Nova Scotia B3H 4C4. Contact: Michael Falk, tel. (902) 422–5173.

Chile

Chile Go Association

c/o Mr. Jiro Maeda, Embassy of Japan, Casilla 124, Correo 35, Santiago. Tel. 2321807.

China

Chinese Weiqi Association

c/o China Qi Yuan, 80, Tian Tan Dong Road, Beijing 100061. Tel. (86) 1–701–4680. Fax 1– 701–5176.

Chinese Taipei

Chinese Taipei Wei-ch'i Association

4th Floor, Kuang-Fu Building, No. 35 Kuang-Fu S. Rd, Taipei, Taiwan. Tel. 02– 7614119. Fax. 02–7614117.

Cuba

Federacion Cubana de Go

c/o Mr. Rafael Alberto Torres Miranda, President, Calle 110 No. 304 Apto. 4 3/ 3ra y 3ra A. Miramar, Ciudad de la Habana. Tel. 33–1715, fax 29–3850.

Czech

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Fax (42) 2–24227633 (Jiri Rakosnik)

Executive Secretary: Ing. Jiri Holecek Tyrovicka 8 CZ 15300 Praha 5 Tel. 2–9914301

Director: Dr. Jiri Rakosnik Nad vodovodem 1 CZ 10000 Praha 10 Tel. (home) 2–771831, (office) 2–24230312, fax 2–24227633

Go clubs

Prague

Mensa, Charles University Patkova 3, CZ 18000 Praha 8. Monday 17:00 to 21:00.

Opletalova 26 (club room on ground floor) CZ 11000 Praha 1. Tuesday 17:00 to 21:00.

Pilsen

Kardinala Berana 17, Plzen. Monday 17:00 to 21:00.

TJ Potraviny, Radcicka 4, Plzen. Thursday 17:00 to 21:00.

Contact: Tomas Koranda, Vlastina 17, CZ 32318 Plzen. Tel. 19–520652.

Nymburk

Internat SOUZ, V kolonii 2104, Nymburk. Wednesday 14:00 to 18:00. Contact: Vitezslav Nechanicky, Palackeho 76, CZ 28802 Nymburk. Tel. 325–2701.

Liberec

Rodinna skola, Broumovska 839, Liberec. Thursday 18:00 to 22:00. Contact: Ivan Kopal. tel. 48–421075 (office).

Zlin

DDM Astra, Tyrsovo nabrezi, Zlin. Wednesday 16:00 to 20:00. Contact: Dr. Pavel Skalka, Tr. T. Bati 879, CZ 76001 Zlin. Tel. 67–279426.

Frydek-Mistek

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Hlavni tr. 112, Frydek-Mistek. Wednesday 17:00 to 21:00. Contact: Petr Valasek, M. Majerove 1914, 73902 Frydek-Mistek. Tel. 658–32994.

Denmark

Danish Go Association

Contact: Dix Sandbeck, Howitzvej 46, 2 Fl. 2000 Frederiksberg. Tel./fax: (Denmark 45) 31 86 88 34.

Copenhagen Go Club

Tuesday and Thursday, 19:00 to 23:30, Copenhagen Youth Center, Suhmsgade 4, 2.Fl, Copenhagen. Contact: Dix Sandbeck, address above.

Odense Go Club

Friday, 19:00. The Cafe, Bolbro Citizens House, Stationvej, Odense. Contact: Finn Thomsen Nielsen, tel. 66 12 24 17.

Aarhus Go Club

Wednesday, 19:00–24:00. The Bridge House, Vanggaardscentret, Paludan Müllersvej 24. Contact: Thomas Heshe, tel. 86 28 57 40.

Ringsted Go Club

Monday and Wednesday, 18:30–23:00. The Citizens House, Sogade 3, Ringsted. Contact: Peter Andersen, tel. 53 62 72 92.

D.P.R. Korea

The DPR Korean Go Association

Munsin-dong 2, Dongdaewon District, Pyongyang. Tel. 6–3998, 6–2386.

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France

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DLJON (21Di) Jeudi 20h30 à 23h, Foyer Montchapet-Jouvence, 3 rue de Beaune Henri Gauthier - 80 23 30 2 22 clos François - 21310 Beire-le-Chatel

GRENOBLE (38Gr) Lundi et mercredi 20h à 1h, bar Le Beaulieu, place Gustave Rivet Vendredi 18h à 1h, ADAJE, 7bis rue Aristide Bergès Anne Rasse - 76 40 59 51 Adresse postale : Go, ADAJE, 7bis rue Aristide Bergès 38000 Grenoble

GRENOBLE INPG

Tous les jours, K'Fet INPG, Cercle INPG, Domaine Universitaire, 76 42 20 42 Minh Quy Nguyen - 76 23 08 63 Pavillon scandinave, ch. 211 - Avenue Edmond Esmonin - 38029 Grenoble Cedex

LYON (69Ly) Mardi et jeudi 21h, le Jukebox, 33 rue Franklin, Lyon 2ème Damien Henry - 30 bis, rue Burdeau - 69001 Lyon

LYON Ecole Centrale (69LC) Sylvain Cochepain - T305 - ECL Avenue Collongue 69131 Ecully Cedex

VALENCE (26Va) Mercredi de 19h à 22h, café théâtre Le Trou Vert, 3 rue Perollerie Frédéric Ignart - 75 55 93 62 98 rue de la Chamberlière - 26000 Valence

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ECHIROLLES (jeunes) (38EJ) Lycée Marie Curie Pascal Chantriaux - 7 rue de l'Oisans - 38240 Meylan

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TARARE (jeunes) Lycée Bel Air - 69 Tarare Jean Christophe Honoré - 74 70 19 32 Les Ruelles - 69770 Longessaigne

EYBENS (Hewlett-Packard)

Jeudi, 12h30 à 14h, Foyer de Hewlett-Packard 5 av. Raymond Chanas, Eybens Bénédicte Salignon - 76 62 00 61 3 allée des Arcelles - 38320 Eybens

ANNECY (jeunes) (74AJ) LJeudi de 12h30 à 13h30, au collège d'Evires, Alain Deschomets - 50 69 25 72 3 rue des Frênes - 74600 Seynod

CHAMBERY (jeunes) (73CJ) Lycée Monge - 1 avenue du Colombier - 73000 Chambéry Eric Desrues - 79 28 26 44 - 355 route de Chartreuse - 73190 Saint Baldoph

GRENOBLE (jeunes) (38GJ) G. Simoni - Foyer socio-éducatif - Lycée Champollion 38026 Grenoble Cedex

Ligue Ile-de-France

Denis Hanotint - (1) 47 30 31 80 I rue de Belfort - 92110 Clichy

ANTONY (92An) Jeudi 19h à 24h, 42 rue Céline Didier Mackowiak - (1) 42 37 90 82 5 Parvis de la Bièvre - 92160 Antony

CACHAN (94) Mardi, 20h, au Théâtre de Cachan, 21, Ave Louis Georgeon -Pascal Tariel - (1) 46 63 78 54 6, rue de la Citadelle - 94230 Cachan

EST PARISIEN Mardi, 20h, chez Titia Houplain, 60 rue Saint-Germain 93230 Romainville Laurent Hivert - 67 bis rue de Paris - 93100 Montreuil

EVRY (91Ev) Jeudi 20h30, au local ACV, 30 allée Jean Rostand Christian Jeauffroy - 14 allée Jean Rostand - 91000 Evry

EVRY (IIE) Lundi soir, IIE, 18 allée Jean Rostand, Les Passages Arnaud Knippel - (1) 60 77 54 45 42 cours Blaise Pascal - App 301A - 91000 Evry

LEVALLOIS (92Le) Mercredi 21h à 24h, 39 rue Deguingand, (1) 47 39 41 37 Denis Turner - (1) 47 95 18 90 65 rue du 19 Janvier - 92380 Garches Joseph Penet - (1) 42 05 70 49 48 rue Archereau - 75019 Paris

NANTERRE Club Université X, Locaux universitaires, Hall B, assoc. "Les arts bizarres" Laurent Costa - 12bis rue Charlesbourg 92250 La Garenne-Colombes

ORSAY Jeudi 20h30, 12 passage du Chemin de Fer François Bordeaux - (1) 69 07 66 72 3 rue Dimancherie - 91400 Orsay

PALAISEAU (Polytechnique) (91X) Hong Dohy -(1) 69 33 54 29 - Ecole Polytechnique - 2ème Cie 91128 Palaiseau Cedex

PARIS (75Pa) -Tous les jours de 15h à 2h du matin au café Le Lescot (1) 42 33 68 76 - 26 rue Pierre Lescot - 75001 Paris -Du Lundi au Samedi, de 12h à 19h, avec la participation de Me Lim, au restaurant-bar Asakusa, 17 rue Lescot - Paris Ier -Le Vendredi soir, accueil pour les débutants, et un Dimanche sur deux, tournoi ouvert à tous, au Parrainage des cheveux blancs 62 rue Saint-Honoré - Paris Ier Antoine Roché - (1) 47 86 18 25 9 rue Paul Bert - 92700 Colombes

PARIS (Association des Japonais en France)

Le 3e dimanche de chaque mois, à 13h, tournoi Association amicale des ressortissants japonais en France 97 avenue des Champs Elysées - 75008 Paris Yoshiro Awano - (1) 47 39 31 48

PARIS (ENSAE)

Nicolas Trotignon - (1) 42 05 04 25 -7 rue Tailor - 75010 Paris

RAMBOUILLET (78Ra) Dimanche 15h à 19h, le Celtique, place Félix Faure Hélène Coulombe - (1) 30 88 65 425 9 rue G. Lenôtre - 78120 Rambouillet

SAINT-CLOUD (92 SC) Brigitte de Pedoue- 3 Av Marie Bonaparte -92210 Saint-Cloud

SARTROUVILLE Samedi 14h et mardi 20h - MJC, 22 quai de Seine Bernard Kirsch - (1) 39 57 55 14 12 rue Gustave Flaubert - 78500 Sartrouville

TROYES Jeudi à partir de 19h, 1 rue des Cordeliers Valérie Labarre - 25 73 98 98 23 rue des Quinze-Vingts- 10000 Troyes

VAUREAL (Cergy-Pontoise) (95Va) Lundi et jeudi 20h, à l'Agora du Centre socio-culturel Christophe Ribes - (1) 34 30 97 76 17 rue Rossini - 95280 Jouy Le Moutier Courrier : Agora - 36 mail Mendès-France - 95490 Vauréal

VERSAILLES (78Ve) Samedi après-midi - Centre Culturel Vauban 76 rue Champ Lagarde - 78000 Versailles Michel Zaltzman - (1) 39 51 72 66

VILLEJUIF (EFREI) Jérôme Abela, (1) 43 21 90 07 52 rue de Liancourt -75014 Paris

EPINAY Sous SENART (jeunes) (91EJ)

Collège La Vallée Christian Momier - (1) 69 43 74 14 10 villa Léonard de Vinci - 91860 Epinay sous Senart

PARIS Sèvres (jeunes) Jérôme Blaiset - (1) 43 70 91 50 305 rue du Faubourg Saint-Antoine - 75011 Paris

SAINT OUEN L'AUMONE (jeunes) (950J) Mercredi 14h30 à 17h30, Maison de Quartier Chennevières Christophe Ribes - (1) 34 30 97 76 17 rue Rossini - 95280 Jouy Le Moutier

ATHIS-MONS (91At) Lundi et mercredi 13h30-16h30, vendredi 20h30, samedi 14h30 34 place du Languedoc François Marques - (1) 45 97 63 45 51 rue de la Commune de Paris - 94290 Villeneuve-le-Roi

GRETZ Philippe Maillard - 11 allée Racine - 77220 Gretz

MONTROUGE Bruno Deregnaucourt - (1) 46 55 76 39 7 avenue de la Marne - 92120 Montrouge ORSAY (jeunes)

Lundi 12h à 14h, salle 203, lycée Blaise Pascal rue Alexandre Flemming Richard Dorard - (1) 69 80 68 05 Saint Maur (Jeunes) Collège Camille Pissaro, 60 Ave Didier Jérôme Bouvet - (1) 48 46 09 86 11 villa des Jardins - 93500 - Pantin

Ligue de l'Ouest

Gilbert Gevrin - 41 43 20 51 90 bd Henri Dunant - 49100 Angers

ANGERS (49An)

Mardi 20h, Maison des Etudiants, 2 boulevard Beaussier, Belle Beille Samedi 15h à 19h, Bridge Club du roi René, 73bis rue Lardin de Musset Gilbert Gevrin - 41 43 20 51

90 bd Henri Dunant - 49100 Angers

BREST (29Br)

Mercredi 14h à 19h, café Le Colbert, 12 rue de Lyon Jeudi 21h à 24h, Maison pour tous l'Harteloire, 39 bd Clémenceau Françoise Gahéry - 98 45 50 40 261 rue Anatole France - 29200 Brest

LAVAL

Jeudi à 20h30, à la Coulée Douce, rue du Vieux Saint-Louis Sylvain Bordais - 43 56 12 11 - 36bis rue Eugène Jamin

NANTES (44Na) Mardi dès 19H, café "le Cordial", 19 rue du Château, tel. 40 47 06 69 Laurent Dupuis - 40 03 05 08 91 route de Clisson - 44230 Saint Sébastien sur Loire

RENNES

Lundi soir, café Saint Melaine, rue Saint Melaine Marc Guillou - 99 53 30 34 3 square Etienne de Fougères - 35200 Rennes

TOURS (37To) Mardi 20h30, Association France-Japon-Touraine, 3 rue des Justices Bernard Lebert - 47 53 45 89 - 5 rue Gauguin 37300 Joué-les-Tours

ANGERS (jeunes) (49AJ) Lycée Renoir Yvon Duval - 41 86 95 14 - 51 rue Michelet - 49000 Angers

LA ROCHE SUR YON Philippe Géant - 51 22 30 06 Le Puy Durand - Avrillé - 85440 Talmont Saint Hilaire

SARZEAU Jean-Pierre Sigogneau - 7 résidence des Quatre Vents Kertessier - 56370 Sarzeau

Ligue de Normandie

Bernard Govy - 35 43 34 47 95 rue de Paris - 76600 Le Havre

CAEN (14Ca) Mardi 20h30 1993 Rue des Sources, 14200 Hérouville St Clair Jeudi, 20h30, Tour Solidor, 24 rue Ecuyère Pierre Colson - 31 93 44 66 203 rue Basse - 14000 Caen

EVREUX

Jean-Paul Jacquel - 32 39 42 09 - "Le vert village" 6, Allée des Fougères - 27180 St Sébastien de Morsent LE HAVRE (76Ha) Mercredi 17h à 18h30 (pour les jeunes) Vendredi 20h30 à 24h, UCJG, 153 bd de Strasbourg François Bailly-Comte - 35 44 45 19 25 rue Jean Devilder - 76310 Sainte Adresse

ROUEN (76Ro) Jeudi 20h30 à 24h et Samedi après-midi à la Maison St Sever, rue Saint-Julien Jean-Pierre Lalo - 35 03 85 38 - 4 rue Dufay - 76100 Rouen

CAEN (jeunes) (14CJ) (1) Collège Clément Marot - La Délivrande - 14000 Douvres (2) Ecole Primaire de Mathieu Jacques Maillot - 31 47 46 49 23 avenue de la République - 14550 Blainville s/Orne (3) CES Claude Monnet - 2 Bd de l'Espérance -14000 Caen Jean-Claude Renvoise - 31 72 37 72

CHERBOURG

Yvan Rabouille - 33 20 36 72 57, rue Dom Pedro - 50100 CHERBOURG

Ligue du Sud-Ouest

Joël Voyé - 61 55 28 98 App. 6 - 19 avenue de l'URSS - 31400 Toulouse

BORDEAUX (33Bo) Mardi 20h, Café Le Galopin, 14 rue Castelnau d'Auros Jeudi 20h, Maison d'Activités Culturelles, village 4, Campus universitaire, Talence Samedi 14h à 19h, Association franco-japonaise, 84 cours A. Briand Eric Paré - 56 87 68 91- Résidence Sarcignan, bat. B, app. 31D 33140 Villenave d'Ornon

CASTRES (81Ca) Jean-Philippe Toutut - 63 59 77 34 37 rue Mabruziès - 81100 Castres

LA MARTINIQUE (97Ma) Vendredi 19h, Restaurant Le Madiana Catherine Issermann - (19) (596) 55 55 34 Bel Fond - 97221 Carbet

LAMENTIN

Jean-Claude Soumbo Association Culturelle et Sportive de la SARA -BP 436 - 97232 Lamentin Cedex 2

PAU (64Pa) Jeudi, 20h30, bar des Halles, 12 rue Carnot Michel Bonis - 59 32 91 61 - rue du Souvenir - 64140 Lons

TOULOUSE (31To) Mardi 20h30 à 2h, snack-bar Le Passage, 24 allée Jean-Jaurès Samedi 14h30 à 19h, MJC du Pont des Demoiselles, 30 av. Saint-Exupéry Marc Fonquernie - 61 25 42 04 2 rue Léonard de Vinci - 31400 Toulouse

LA GUADELOUPE Dany-Jack Mercier - (19)(590)83 75 73 - Résidence Pointsettia -Tour Alphonsine Geneviève n°104 97110 Pointe à Pitre

Ligue du Centre

Gilles Raynal - 73 39 20 89 Rue des Thuilets - 63730 Mirefleurs CLERMONT-FERRAND (63Cl) Mardi 18h, café le Ballainvilliers, rue Ballainvilliers

Jeudi 18h, bar Le Saint-Laurent, 10 rue Georges Clémenceau Gilles Raynal - 73 39 20 89 Rue des Thuilets - 63730 Mirefleurs

LIMOGES (87Li) Patrice Fontaine - 55 48 90 65 Le Charbonnier - 87380 Château Chervix

NEVERS (58Ne) Mercredi, 20h à 23h, Centre socio-culturel de la Baratte, 4 rue des 4 Echevins Vendredi, 17h à 20h, bar Le Petit Verdot, rue de Nièvre Régino Gorospe - 86 57 70 75 - 3 rue du Midi - 58000 Nevers

NEVERS (jeunes) Vendredi 12h30, collège des Courlis, allée de Neubrandenburg Alexandre Ducrot - 65 rue des Bleuets - 58000 Saint-Eloi

Ligue Méditerranée

Denis Labro - 67 66 20 94 1 rue du Plan d'Agde - 34000 Montpellier

AIX-EN-PROVENCE (13Ai) Mardi et jeudi, 20h30 à 24h, MJC Prévert, 24 bd de la République Jean Filippi - 42 38 93 17 11 rue Félibre Gaut - 13100 Aix-en-Provence

AVIGNON (84Av) Serge Noppen - 90 33 14 87 5 rue de la Paix - 84370 Bedarrides

MARSEILLE (13Ma) Mercredi et samedi, de 17h30 à ..., Chocolat Théâtre, 59 cours Julien, 6ème Monique Berreby - 91 47 72 93 27 rue Ferrari - 13005 Marseille

MONTPELLIER (34Mo) Mardi, 21h à 1h, 2 rue Saint-Firmin -34000 Montpellier tel. : 67 60 66 89

PERPIGNAN (66Pe) Henry Cros - 68 63 97 43 6 rue la Tour de Tautavel - 66000 Perpignan

SOPHIA-ANTIPOLIS (06So) Mercredi, à partir de 18h, Mairie de Plascassier 06565 Sophia Antipolis Franck Lebastard - 93 77 71 27 Les Bastides du Castellet - 06650 Le Rouret

NIMES (jeunes) (30NJ) Lycée Saint-Stanislas - 16 rue des Chassaintes - 30040 Nîmes Cedex Jean-Yves Lods - 66 29 74 49 25 rue de Genève - 30000 Nîmes

VALREAS (jeunes) (84VJ) Collège du pays de Valréas, avenue de Verdun Daniel Dumas - 90 35 53 58 - 81 route de Nyons - 84600 Valréas

Ligue de l'Est

Albert Fenech - 88 37 18 43 15 rue de l'Arc-en-ciel - 67000 Strasbourg

BELFORT Mardi et samedi, 19h à 22h, et jeudi, 15h à 19h, au café Le Select, 1 rue Jules Vallès Christophe Nigaud - ENI - Maison des Elèves 8 boulevard Anatole France - 90016 Belfort Cedex

BESANCON (25Be) Mercredi 20h30 à 24h, MJC de Palente François Jacquin - 81 81 38 02-7 rue Pasteur - 25000 Besancon

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MULHOUSE (68Mu) Chang Rong Kun - 89 66 44 91 19 rue de Zillisheim - 68100 Mulhouse

NANCY (54Na) Vendredi 21h, MJC de l'Etoile, place de Londres, Vandœuvre Philippe Nabonnand - 83 27 71 85 6 rue de Beauvau - 54000 Nancy

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Ligue du Nord

Jack Gérôme - 20 55 82 39 App. A3 - 20 rue Ramadier - 59800 Lille

AMIENS (80Am) Lundi 18h, salle Dewailly Frédéric Gacquer - 22 89 66 90 -24 rue Voiture 80000 Amiens

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LILLE (59Li) Lundi et vendredi 20h30, 59 allée des Chaumières, LCR des Chaumières, 59650 Villeneuve d'Ascq Jack Gérôme - 20 55 82 39 - App. A3 20 rue Ramadier - 59800 Lille



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Open University

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Ravenscroft School (Bath)

Hugh Alexander, Flat 2, Bathford Manor, Manor Drive, Bathford, Avon BA1 7TY.

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Jim Clare, 32–28 Granville Rd, Reading, Berks, RG3 3QE. Tel. 01734–507319 (home), 634791 (work). Meets at The Brewery Tap, Castle Street, Reading, Tuesday 18:30.

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South Cotswold

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