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## On the publication of the 1998 Yearbook

The aim of this magazine, which was founded in 1985, is to present news about developments in international go around the world in order to popularize go 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 fourteenth 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 19th World Amateur Go Championship, the 1st Korea Life Insurance Cup: The World Women's Amateur Paduk Championship, and the 8th International Pair Go Championship. The organizing of these three tournaments was the main activity of the International Go Federation last year. In this issue, we are very happy to be able to present many interesting and informative reports from members on recent developments in their countries.

In the midst of the remarkable strides that have been made in the internationalization of go, a movement has developed recently in Japan and overseas to have go adopted as an official sporting event at the Olympics. A group called the Society to Promote the Adoption of Go as an Official Olympic Sport has been formed and at present has over 300 members, with every prospect of this number increasing further. The International Go Federation Office prepared the materials that are necessary before making an application to become an IOC-recognized body and these were submitted to the IOC in April 1998. This is the first step on the path to the day when competitors from as many countries as possible gather together under the Olympic flag and compete in the Olympic spirit for medals in go.

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.



Fumio Watanabe  
President  
International Go Federation  
10 April 1998

## 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 fourteenth issue. Once every three years we publish a special issue, and this is the fourth such larger-than-usual issue.

The main topics featured are:

- The 19th World Amateur Go Championship;
- The 1st Korea Life Insurance Cup: The World Women's Amateur Paduk Championship;
- The 8th 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 comments and suggestions 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 receiving contributions from all our members for future issues.

In closing, we would like to express our gratitude to all the people around the world whose assistance and cooperation 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.

In this issue, we have attempted to present as comprehensive a picture as possible of recent developments in world go. In tournament coverage, we have focussed on the events organized by the International Go Federation, but in the section on go around the world we have been able to present reports from a wide range of go-playing countries. We would like to record our gratitude to all those 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 recent updates.

Incidentally, I would like to draw the attention of the reader to the fact that this year the *Go Around the World* section has three interesting reports that are not from member countries, that is, from the European Go Federation, the Iberoamerican Go Federation, and the International Go Federation itself. Please don't overlook them!

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

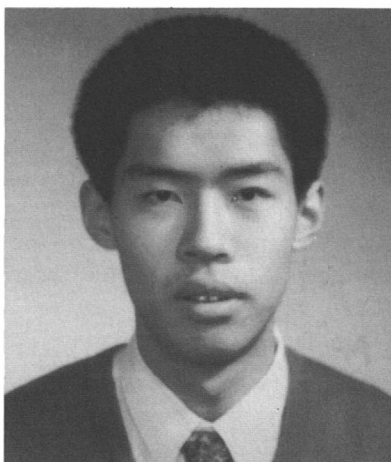
John Power

# The 19th World Amateur Go Championship

## Liu repeats as world champion

The 19th World Amateur Go Championship was held from 10 to 13 June 1997 at the Sapporo Sun Plaza Hall in the capital city of Japan's northern island Hokkaido. Players from 46 countries and territories vied for the honour of becoming the world's number one amateur player in the eight-round Swiss-system tournament. Along with the veteran representatives, there were many fresh faces; in fact, 22 of the 46 players were making their debut, which might be a record.

After four days of fierce competition, victory went to 22-year-old Liu Jun of China, who became the first player in the history of the tournament to win it two years in a row. The previous year Liu triumphed with a perfect record of eight wins, but this year the



*Liu Jun of China: the first player to win the WAGC two years in a row*



*The top place-getters in the 19th WAGC: (front row, L to R), Mun Yong Sam (DPR Korea), 3rd; Liu Jun (China), 1st; Sakai Hideyuki (Japan), 2nd; (back row, L to R): Lee Hak Yong (Korea), 7th; Cristian Pop (Romania), 5th; Lin Chih Han (Chinese Taipei), 4th; Alexei Lazarev (Russia), 6th; Tom Tian (Canada), 8th*



*The participants in front of the tournament venue, the Sun Plaza Hall*

result was a three-way tie among Liu, Sakai Hideyuki of Japan, and Mun Yong Sam of DPR Korea, all on 7-1. Liu prevailed thanks to a superior SOS, one point ahead of Sakai,

who took second place, and three points ahead of Mun, who came third.

As can be seen in the game commentaries given in this issue, Liu scored a good win



*The International Goodwill Match with Sapporo citizens (9 June)*



*WAGC participants play Sapporo citizens in Tanuki Koji. Go boards were set up like this for the whole seven-block length of this shopping arcade. At the front right, Yuriyi Plyushch and Alexei Lazarev are visible.*



*Another scene from Tanuki Koji. Visible on the left side (starting at the front) are Sakai Hideyuki (Japan), Tom Tian (Canada), and Chris Visser (South Africa).*





*The tournament in full swing*

against Sakai, so he deserved to finish ahead of him, but, just when he seemed to have the tournament wrapped up, he was completely outplayed by Mun in their seventh-round

game. Mun's SOS suffered because of his pairings after his third-round loss to Sakai, but his third place was still an excellent result for an 18-year-old dark horse who is



*Lee Hak Yong of Korea (left) loses to Lin Chih Han in their seventh-round game.*



*Tom Tian of Canada (left) loses in the last round to Alexei Lazarev of Russia.*

still improving.

After winning the tournament, Liu vowed to be back in 1998, shooting for his third victory in a row. If that comes off, he

will equal Imamura Fumiaki's total of three WAGC titles.

Another player who attracted a lot of attention during the tournament was Lin



*Haruyama Isamu 9-dan (one of the tournament referees) gives a public commentary on the game between Japan and China.*



*Otake Hideo 9-dan, the Chief Referee, plays teaching games with Brad Melki of Australia, an IGF Vice President, and Eitan Aharoni of Israel, a guest official.*

Chih Han of Chinese Taipei, who, at 16, was the youngest player in the tournament. Like Liu, he made an excellent start with five straight wins. A loss to Liu in the sixth round seemed to put him out of the running, but after Liu's seventh-round loss he joined the leading group again; a further loss to Sakai in the last round finally put him out of contention for the top place. However, he topped the two-loss group to take 4th place.

The next two places were taken by European representatives: Cristian Pop of Romania and Alexei Lazarev of Russia, who both scored six wins. Pop's best game may have been his third-round win against Kan Ying of Hong Kong. His two losses came at the hands of Japan and DPR Korea, which is nothing to be ashamed of. Lazarev lost to Chinese Taipei and Japan. He was very satisfied with his six wins, as this was the best score yet by a Russian player.

Korea placed a little lower than usual, with Lee Hak Yong taking 7th place after losses to China and Chinese Taipei. The remaining prize was taken by Tom Tian of Canada, who topped the five-win group.

#### **A warm welcome from Sapporo**

June is said to be the best time of the year to visit Japan's northern island of Hokkaido. In fact, it was still a little chilly in Sapporo, but the warmth of the welcome the participants received more than made up for that. The tournament coincided with the annual Yosakoi (Welcome) Soran Festival, into which go activities were incorporated. For seven blocks of the narrow shopping arcade Tanuki Koji (Raccoon-dog Alley) that runs through the centre of town, tables with go boards were set up in the centre of the street. The WAGC players were welcomed here for games with locals. Professionals were also on hand to play teaching games.

Thanks to the generous hospitality of the hosts, the 19th WAGC was a great success. Once again, this tournament fully lived up to its billing as the world's top amateur go event and, as always, it was a great meeting place for players from all around the world.

The 20th WAGC will be held in Tokyo from June 2 to 5.

19th World Amateur Go Championship(Sapporo 1997)

Place	Name	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	SOS
1	Liu Jun (China)	1 <sup>30A</sup>	2 <sup>13A</sup>	3 <sup>10</sup>	4 <sup>7</sup>	5 <sup>2</sup>	6 <sup>4</sup>	6 <sup>3</sup>	7 <sup>9</sup>	44
2	Sakai (Japan)	1 <sup>40</sup>	2 <sup>13B</sup>	3 <sup>3</sup>	4 <sup>5</sup>	4 <sup>1</sup>	5 <sup>22</sup>	6 <sup>6</sup>	7 <sup>4</sup>	43
3	Mun (DPR Korea)	1 <sup>34</sup>	2 <sup>30B</sup>	2 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>24</sup>	4 <sup>9</sup>	5 <sup>5</sup>	6 <sup>1</sup>	7 <sup>10</sup>	40
4	Lin (Ch. Taipei)	1 <sup>20</sup>	2 <sup>28</sup>	3 <sup>6</sup>	4 <sup>11</sup>	5 <sup>15</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup>	6 <sup>7</sup>	6 <sup>2</sup>	44
5	Pop (Romania)	1 <sup>8</sup>	2 <sup>27</sup>	3 <sup>9</sup>	3 <sup>2</sup>	4 <sup>23</sup>	4 <sup>3</sup>	5 <sup>16</sup>	6 <sup>11</sup>	42
6	Lazarev (Russia)	1 <sup>16</sup>	2 <sup>18</sup>	2 <sup>4</sup>	3 <sup>17</sup>	4 <sup>25</sup>	5 <sup>11</sup>	5 <sup>2</sup>	6 <sup>8</sup>	41
7	Lee (Korea)	1 <sup>25</sup>	2 <sup>19</sup>	3 <sup>32</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup>	4 <sup>20</sup>	5 <sup>8</sup>	5 <sup>4</sup>	6 <sup>21</sup>	37
8	Tian (Canada)	0 <sup>5</sup>	1 <sup>37</sup>	2 <sup>13A</sup>	3 <sup>12</sup>	4 <sup>10</sup>	4 <sup>7</sup>	5 <sup>13B</sup>	5 <sup>6</sup>	41
9	Kan (Hong Kong)	1 <sup>12</sup>	2 <sup>24</sup>	2 <sup>5</sup>	3 <sup>40</sup>	3 <sup>3</sup>	4 <sup>17</sup>	5 <sup>15</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup>	41
10	Michel (France)	1 <sup>35</sup>	2 <sup>21</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>	3 <sup>26</sup>	3 <sup>8</sup>	4 <sup>34</sup>	5 <sup>12</sup>	5 <sup>3</sup>	38
11	Yi (U.S.)	1 <sup>37</sup>	2 <sup>36</sup>	3 <sup>23</sup>	3 <sup>4</sup>	4 <sup>18</sup>	4 <sup>6</sup>	5 <sup>13A</sup>	5 <sup>5</sup>	37
12	Spiegl (Austria)	0 <sup>9</sup>	1 <sup>16</sup>	2 <sup>36</sup>	2 <sup>8</sup>	3 <sup>35</sup>	4 <sup>19</sup>	4 <sup>10</sup>	5 <sup>25</sup>	34
13A	Danek (Czech)	1 <sup>44</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>8</sup>	2 <sup>33</sup>	3 <sup>29</sup>	4 <sup>20</sup>	4 <sup>11</sup>	5 <sup>27</sup>	34
13B	Soldan (Poland)	1 <sup>33</sup>	1 <sup>2</sup>	1 <sup>15</sup>	2 <sup>41</sup>	3 <sup>27</sup>	4 <sup>23</sup>	4 <sup>8</sup>	5 <sup>28</sup>	34
15	Mero (Hungary)	0 <sup>30B</sup>	1 <sup>30A</sup>	2 <sup>13B</sup>	3 <sup>19</sup>	3 <sup>4</sup>	4 <sup>28</sup>	4 <sup>9</sup>	5 <sup>37</sup>	33
16	Laatikainen (Finland)	0 <sup>6</sup>	0 <sup>12</sup>	1 <sup>46</sup>	2 <sup>21</sup>	3 <sup>30A</sup>	4 <sup>18</sup>	4 <sup>5</sup>	5 <sup>20</sup>	32
17	Plyushch (Ukraine)	0 <sup>22</sup>	1 <sup>45</sup>	2 <sup>21</sup>	2 <sup>6</sup>	3 <sup>32</sup>	3 <sup>9</sup>	4 <sup>26</sup>	5 <sup>18</sup>	31
18	Poliak (Slovakia)	1 <sup>29</sup>	1 <sup>6</sup>	2 <sup>33</sup>	3 <sup>28</sup>	3 <sup>11</sup>	3 <sup>16</sup>	4 <sup>36</sup>	4 <sup>17</sup>	35
19	Pons Semelis (Spain)	1 <sup>38</sup>	1 <sup>7</sup>	2 <sup>25</sup>	2 <sup>15</sup>	3 <sup>26</sup>	3 <sup>12</sup>	3 <sup>27</sup>	4 <sup>33</sup>	34
20	Westhoff (Neth.)	0 <sup>4</sup>	1 <sup>39</sup>	2 <sup>42</sup>	3 <sup>32</sup>	3 <sup>7</sup>	3 <sup>13A</sup>	4 <sup>29</sup>	4 <sup>16</sup>	34
21	Chi (Australia)	1 <sup>26</sup>	1 <sup>10</sup>	1 <sup>17</sup>	1 <sup>16</sup>	2 <sup>43</sup>	3 <sup>35</sup>	4 <sup>23</sup>	4 <sup>7</sup>	34
22	Borloz (Switzerland)	1 <sup>17</sup>	1 <sup>23</sup>	1 <sup>26</sup>	2 <sup>42</sup>	3 <sup>24</sup>	3 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>25</sup>	4 <sup>36</sup>	33
23	Schroer (Germany)	1 <sup>41</sup>	2 <sup>22</sup>	2 <sup>11</sup>	3 <sup>29</sup>	3 <sup>5</sup>	3 <sup>13B</sup>	3 <sup>21</sup>	4 <sup>42</sup>	32
24	Gaspari (Slovenia)	1 <sup>39</sup>	1 <sup>9</sup>	2 <sup>35</sup>	2 <sup>3</sup>	2 <sup>22</sup>	2 <sup>27</sup>	3 <sup>38</sup>	4 <sup>30B</sup>	32
25	Taari (Sweden)	0 <sup>7</sup>	1 <sup>45</sup>	1 <sup>19</sup>	2 <sup>34</sup>	2 <sup>6</sup>	3 <sup>30B</sup>	4 <sup>22</sup>	4 <sup>12</sup>	31
26	Cocke (U.K.)	0 <sup>21</sup>	1 <sup>38</sup>	2 <sup>22</sup>	2 <sup>10</sup>	2 <sup>19</sup>	3 <sup>33</sup>	3 <sup>17</sup>	4 <sup>30A</sup>	31
27	Chairasmisak (Thai.)	0 <sup>32</sup>	0 <sup>5</sup>	1 <sup>45</sup>	2 <sup>38</sup>	2 <sup>13B</sup>	3 <sup>24</sup>	4 <sup>19</sup>	4 <sup>13A</sup>	31
28	Liu (Malaysia)	1 <sup>43</sup>	1 <sup>4</sup>	2 <sup>41</sup>	2 <sup>18</sup>	3 <sup>39</sup>	3 <sup>15</sup>	4 <sup>30A</sup>	4 <sup>13B</sup>	30
29	Ang (Singapore)	0 <sup>18</sup>	1 <sup>34</sup>	2 <sup>30B</sup>	2 <sup>23</sup>	2 <sup>13A</sup>	3 <sup>37</sup>	3 <sup>20</sup>	4 <sup>32</sup>	29
30A	DodINVAL (Belgium)	0 <sup>1</sup>	0 <sup>15</sup>	1 <sup>43</sup>	2 <sup>36</sup>	2 <sup>16</sup>	3 <sup>45</sup>	3 <sup>28</sup>	3 <sup>26</sup>	31
30B	Chacon (Mexico)	1 <sup>15</sup>	1 <sup>3</sup>	1 <sup>29</sup>	1 <sup>35</sup>	2 <sup>44</sup>	2 <sup>25</sup>	3 <sup>41</sup>	3 <sup>24</sup>	31
32	Kong (Norway)	1 <sup>27</sup>	2 <sup>42</sup>	2 <sup>7</sup>	2 <sup>20</sup>	2 <sup>17</sup>	2 <sup>36</sup>	3 <sup>39</sup>	3 <sup>29</sup>	31
33	Pedersen (Denmark)	0 <sup>13B</sup>	1 <sup>40</sup>	1 <sup>18</sup>	1 <sup>13A</sup>	2 <sup>38</sup>	2 <sup>26</sup>	3 <sup>35</sup>	3 <sup>19</sup>	30
34	Petersen (Brazil)	0 <sup>3</sup>	0 <sup>29</sup>	1 <sup>39</sup>	1 <sup>25</sup>	2 <sup>41</sup>	2 <sup>10</sup>	2 <sup>37</sup>	3 <sup>45</sup>	29
35	Vajani (Italy)	0 <sup>10</sup>	1 <sup>43</sup>	1 <sup>24</sup>	2 <sup>30B</sup>	2 <sup>12</sup>	2 <sup>21</sup>	2 <sup>33</sup>	3 <sup>44</sup>	28
36	Donnelly (Ireland)	1 <sup>45</sup>	1 <sup>11</sup>	1 <sup>12</sup>	1 <sup>30A</sup>	2 <sup>42</sup>	3 <sup>32</sup>	3 <sup>18</sup>	3 <sup>22</sup>	27
37	Jones (N.Z.)	0 <sup>11</sup>	0 <sup>8</sup>	0 <sup>38</sup>	1 <sup>46</sup>	2 <sup>40</sup>	2 <sup>29</sup>	3 <sup>34</sup>	3 <sup>15</sup>	27
38	D.ap (Indonesia)	0 <sup>19</sup>	0 <sup>26</sup>	1 <sup>37</sup>	1 <sup>27</sup>	1 <sup>33</sup>	2 <sup>43</sup>	2 <sup>24</sup>	3 <sup>40</sup>	26
39	Segura (Chile)	0 <sup>24</sup>	0 <sup>20</sup>	0 <sup>34</sup>	1 <sup>44</sup>	1 <sup>28</sup>	2 <sup>40</sup>	2 <sup>32</sup>	3 <sup>41</sup>	24
40	Burzyn (Argentina)	0 <sup>2</sup>	0 <sup>33</sup>	1 <sup>44</sup>	1 <sup>9</sup>	1 <sup>37</sup>	1 <sup>39</sup>	2 <sup>46</sup>	2 <sup>38</sup>	26
41	Visser (South Africa)	0 <sup>23</sup>	1 <sup>44</sup>	1 <sup>28</sup>	1 <sup>13B</sup>	1 <sup>34</sup>	2 <sup>42</sup>	2 <sup>30B</sup>	2 <sup>39</sup>	26
42	Hoffmann (Luxemb.)	1 <sup>46</sup>	1 <sup>32</sup>	1 <sup>20</sup>	1 <sup>22</sup>	1 <sup>36</sup>	1 <sup>41</sup>	2 <sup>45</sup>	2 <sup>23</sup>	21
43	Melijov (Cuba)	0 <sup>28</sup>	0 <sup>35</sup>	0 <sup>30A</sup>	1 <sup>45</sup>	1 <sup>21</sup>	1 <sup>38</sup>	1 <sup>44</sup>	2 <sup>46</sup>	20
44	Akkol (Turkey)	0 <sup>13A</sup>	0 <sup>41</sup>	0 <sup>40</sup>	0 <sup>39</sup>	0 <sup>30B</sup>	1 <sup>46</sup>	2 <sup>43</sup>	2 <sup>35</sup>	20
45	Raposo (Portugal)	0 <sup>36</sup>	0 <sup>17</sup>	0 <sup>27</sup>	0 <sup>43</sup>	1 <sup>46</sup>	1 <sup>30A</sup>	1 <sup>42</sup>	1 <sup>34</sup>	22
46	Puerta (Venezuela)	0 <sup>42</sup>	0 <sup>25</sup>	0 <sup>16</sup>	0 <sup>37</sup>	0 <sup>45</sup>	0 <sup>44</sup>	0 <sup>40</sup>	0 <sup>43</sup>	21

## Games from the Tournament

### Round 5: Japan vs. China

This game is always billed in the Japanese go press as 'the game that decided the tournament'. Since these two ended up taking first and second places, that seems reasonable. It's certainly true that usually the loser of the Japan–China game has to rely on someone else to beat the winner in a subsequent round so that he can get back into the running. It's also true that losing this encounter, which usually occurs on the third day, handicaps your SOS score.

Sakai Hideyuki, aged 24, is a university student from Kyoto who has established himself as the top amateur in Japan recently. In 1996, he won three of the four main Japanese amateur tournaments: the Amateur Honinbo, the Strongest Amateur Player tournament, and, of course, the WAGC Amateur Qualifying Tournament. He took second place in the fourth, the Amateur Best Ten tournament. Sakai has won a number of games against professionals in the Acom Cup, the only professional tournament open to amateurs. In 1997, he was one of 12 amateurs who played in the first preliminary section, with professionals from 1- to 4-dan, and he won his way into the second preliminary section, defeating five professionals before he was eliminated.

Liu Jun, age 22, lives in Shanghai where he is a go instructor. Formerly he played as a professional in China, but quit for health reasons. As an amateur, he has enjoyed great success, becoming the first player to win the Chinese WAGC qualifying tournament twice. Earlier in 1997, he participated in a Chinese professional tournament, the only amateur to do so, and won it. The tournament was the King of the New Stars, and he defeated, among others, Chang Hao 8-dan (who had been a teammate of his when Liu was a go trainee as a teenager) and Zhou Heyang 7-dan, two of China's top players (they were first and fourth respectively in the Chinese rating list published towards the end of 1997). This year the winner of the WAGC was given a place in the 2nd

Samsung Cup preliminary tournament, so Liu had to fly to Seoul immediately after the WAGC ended. There he scored yet another triumph, defeating his compatriot Liu Xiaoguang 9-dan in the first round, played on 16 June (though he was eliminated by a Korean 8-dan in the next round). Within the space of a year, Liu had defeated three of China's top professionals.

**White:** Liu Jun 7-dan (China) (Score: 5–0)

**Black:** Sakai Hideyuki 7-dan (Japan) (5–0)

Played on 12 June 1997.

Komi: 5½; time: 90 minutes each.

*Commentary by Otake Hideo 9-dan. Report by Nakamura Chikako.*

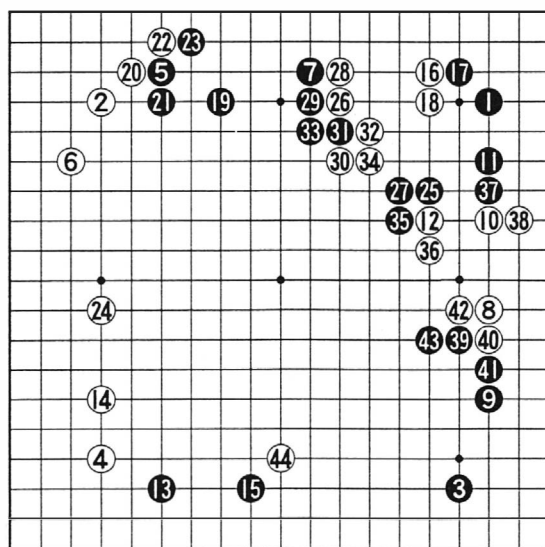


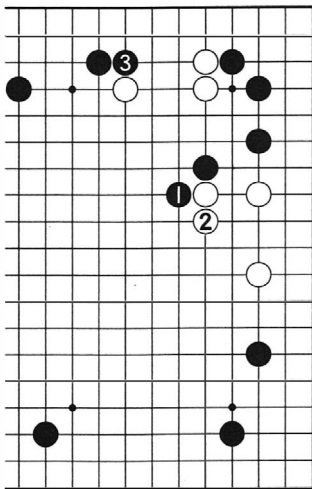
Figure 1 (1–44)

**Figure 1 (1–44).** A solid start by both

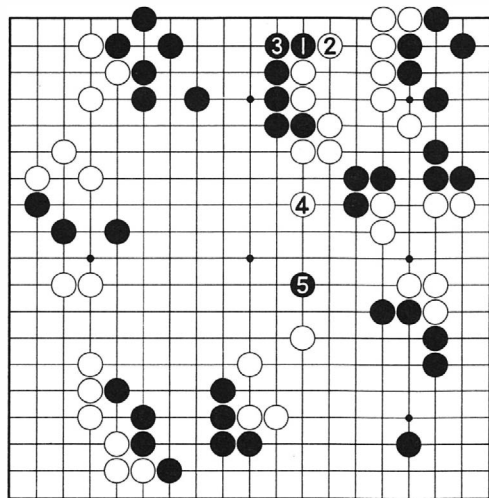
White 12 is a calm move. With 22 and 24, White's strategy is to develop rapidly.

Otake: 'Having White block at 28 is painful. Instead of 27, Black should play 1 and 3 in *Dia. 1*. He mustn't let White settle himself so easily.'

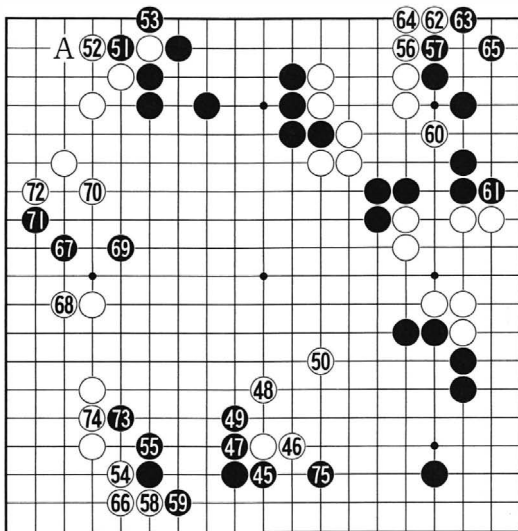
When Black expands his bottom position with 39 to 43, 44 becomes an ideal point for White. He has the initiative.



*Dia. 1: more aggressive*



*Dia. 2: more aggressive*



*Figure 2 (45–75)*

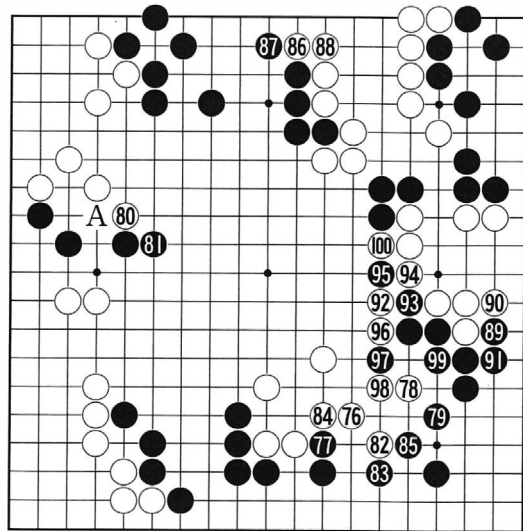
**Figure 2 (45–75). Flawless play by Liu**

Liu is a calm player; his go style is not flashy. He has a strange knack of winning without fighting.

Otake: 'Switching to 60 and 62 after just making a hane at 58 is shrewd. Black can hardly answer with 63 at 65 [he loses points in the corner], so White secures life in sente. This is clever play.'

White 66 and Black 67 are miai. White 70 eliminates the threat of Black A. White is not going to let himself be caught off guard.

Black 75. Otake: 'Instead of 75, I'd prefer to make the hane + connection of 1 and 3 in *Dia. 2*, which is big, then attack with 5.'



*Figure 3 (76–100)*

**Figure 3 (76–100). White parries the do-or-die move.**

When Black plays 77, White lightly makes shape with 78 to 84, then seizes the key point of 86. White has scored a success.

Otake: 'When White plays 86 and 88, it's going to be tough for Black to give the komi.'

The way White uses Black's own strength against him when he plays the do-or-die move of 93 can only be described as magnificent. White parries the attack and cleverly makes shape up to 10 in Figure 4. Black had no choice but to play patiently with 93 at A and wait for a chance later on. The do-or-die move comes to nothing.

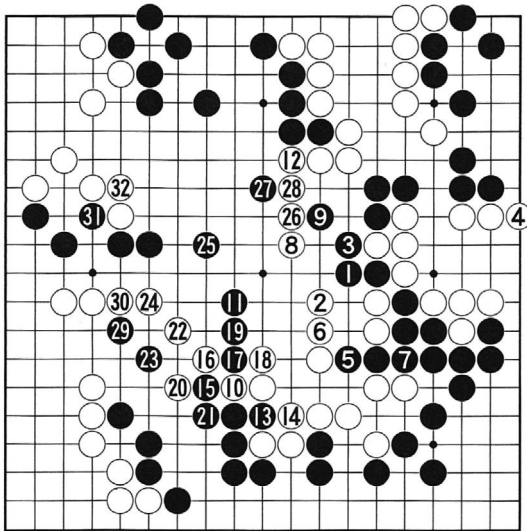


Figure 4 (101-132)

**Figure 4 (101-132). No chink in Liu's armour**

Liu shows his composure by answering Black 11 with 12. Although Black attacks the centre group with 13 to 19, this white group has 'thick' eye shape [that is, good eye-making potential] to start with. Before linking up with 26, White attacks the black group on the left side with 22 and 24. There is no chink in White's armour.

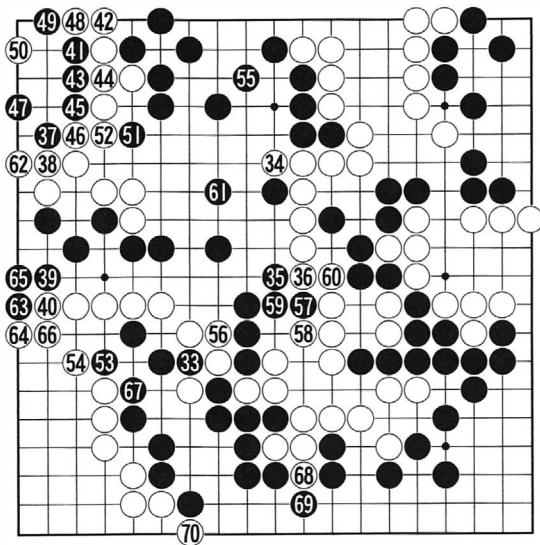


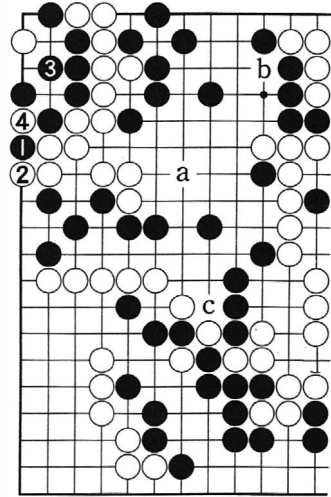
Figure 5 (133-170)

**Figure 5 (133-170). Black can't fight the ko.**

Black 33. Even if Black blocks at 34, he can't give the komi.

With 41 on, Black tries to pull off something in the corner, but White 48 and 50 offer the strongest resistance. After White descends at 62, the corner is a *semedori* (White will have to invest stones to take all the black stones off the board).

Otake: 'If Black plays 1 and 3 in *Dia. 3* instead of 53, he gets a one-move approach-move ko, but if White jumps to 'a', White 'b' and 'c' become miai, so the ko becomes irrelevant. Black 61 is the right move.'



*Dia. 3: the ko is unreasonable*

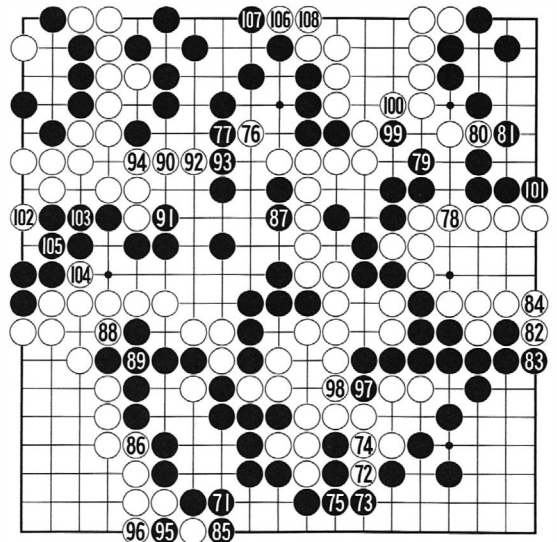


Figure 6 (171-208)

**Figure 6 (171-208). Losing on time**

There was a mishap in the endgame: Sakai ran out of time while in Canadian overtime.

Sakai: 'I was counting the score and forgot that I had no time left. I was losing by 2½ points. I'm very sorry I lost on time. I lost because I was too weak. I'll have to start out afresh.'

Liu: 'Before the tournament I had heard that Japan was strong and that's what I found. I won because I was able to play my best.'

208 moves. Black loses on time.  
(Kido, August 1997)

### Round 7: China vs. DPR Korea

**White:** Liu Jun 7-dan (China) (6-0)

**Black:** Mun Yong-sam 7-dan (DPR Korea) (5-1) Played on 13 June 1997.

*Commentary by Otake 9-dan. Report by Nakamura Chikako.*

After his win against Sakai in the 5th round, Liu beat the only other undefeated player, Lin Chih-han 7-dan of Chinese Taipei, in the 6th round, so he seemed to have the tournament wrapped up. However, he was ambushed in the 7th round by Mun Yong-sam of DPR Korea, an 18-year-old university student who was making his third appearance in the WAGC and whose previous best result was a 6th place in 1993. Although regarded as a promising player, he had already lost to Japan in the third round and was not really expected to be a contender for one of the top places. One might think that Liu was caught napping, but an examination of the game doesn't bear that assumption out. Mun actually showed remarkable strength.

**Figure 1 (1-51).** *Liu plays rashly.*

White 42. Otake: 'White could also have capped at 43. Starting operations with White 44 was dubious. Instead of 46, simply playing at 48 is correct shape. Black 51 is a strong move that takes advantage of White's shortage of liberties. If White counters with 1 and 3 in *Dia. 1*, he falls into a trap. White collapses after the two-step hane of 6 and 8.'

[Please confirm for yourself that White can't extricate himself.]

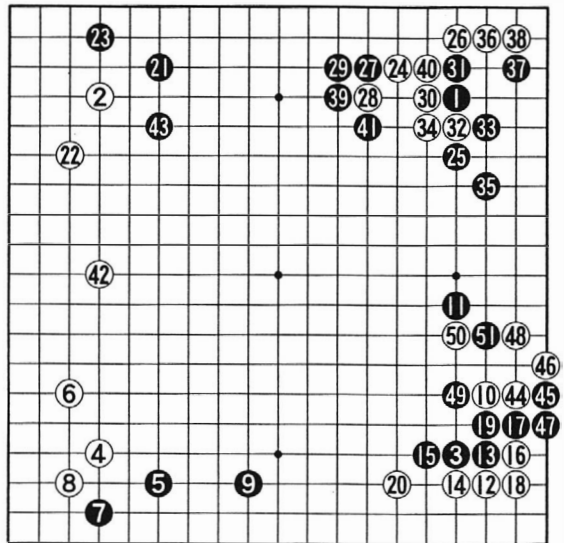
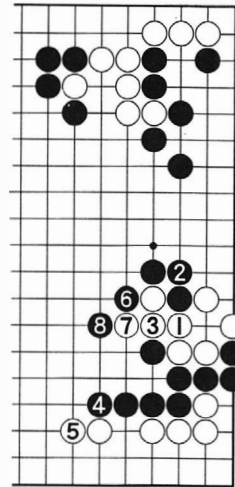
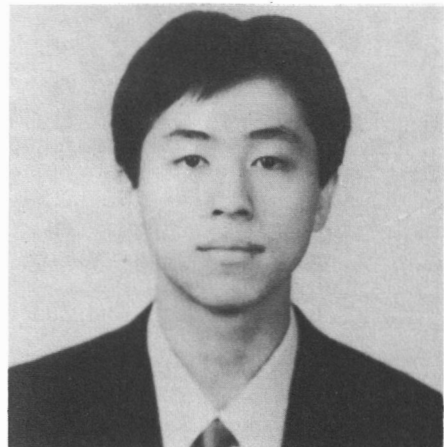


Figure 1 (1-51)



Dia. 1



Mun Yong-sam



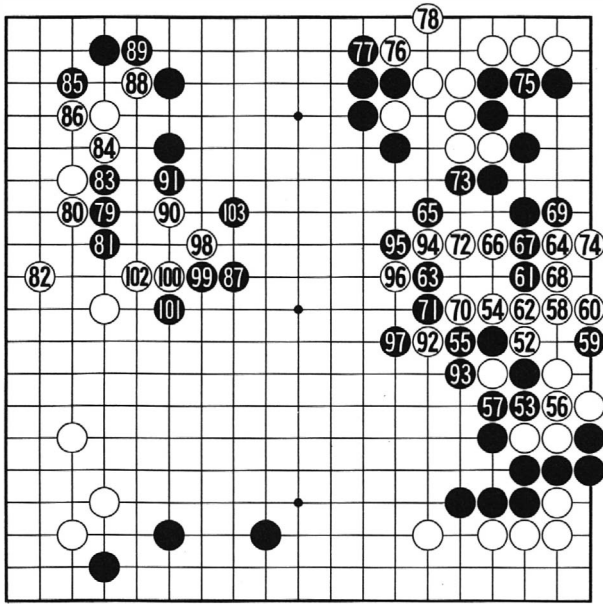


Figure 2 (52-103)

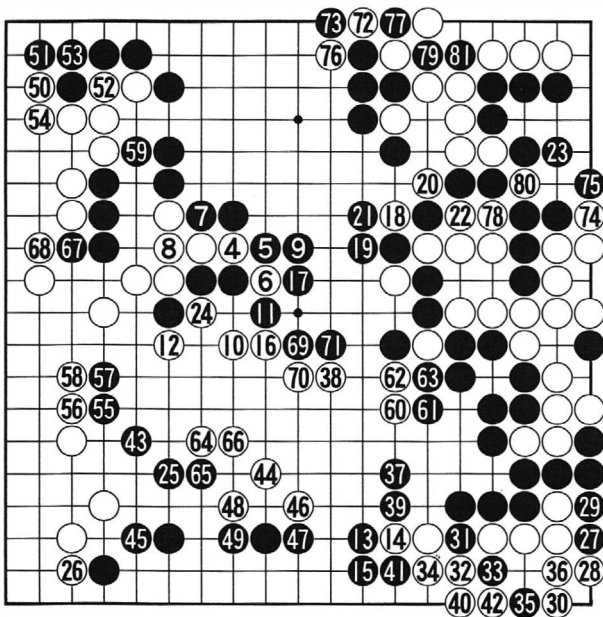


Figure 3 (104-181)

**Figure 2 (52-103). Superb timing**

The sequence from 52 to 58 is painful for White, but he has no choice. The placement of 59 is shrewd. When White lets Black blockade on the outside with 63 and 65, forcing him to live with 74, he is already behind.

Otake: 'The timing of Black's moves from 79 to 83 is superb. White must feel like crying. When Black encloses the centre with 87, he is assured of victory.'

When White cuts with 94 and 96, Black can answer with 97, which makes things easy for him [an atari one line above would let White extend into the centre, creating some bad aji].

**Figure 3 (104-181). Mun's excellent play**

Black responds calmly to White's cut at 6. He takes the last large point with 13 and is satisfied.

White 72 and 76 are a desperation measure that achieves nothing, so White has to resign.

Liu: 'I was wiped out in this game. I'm very happy at becoming the first person to win the WAGC two years in a row. I'm going to aim at my third victory in a row next year.'

Mun: 'I'm still excited, as I didn't expect to beat Liu. I played my best in this tournament. I'm satisfied with taking third place.'

This was certainly a game in which Mun outshone the world amateur champion.

*White resigns after Black 181.*

(Kido, August 1997. Translated by John Power.)

# More Games from the Tournament

## The Furuyama Report

*Furuyama Kazunari, who is well known among Western go players both for his interpreting at recent international tournaments in Japan and for his co-authorship of two popular books on joseki (Get Strong at Joseki 2 & 3), wrote up the following game commentaries for which he acted as the interpreter. Mr. Furuyama's unflinching cheerfulness and competence at English have won him many overseas friends and, as a former insei, he knows all about the competitive side of go. This is his second report for Ranka, following his well-received article in the 1997 Yearbook.*

### Game One: Australia vs. France (Round 2)

**White:** Jean Michel (France)

**Black:** Chi Bo Keun (Australia)

Played on 10 June 1997.

Commentary by Hotta Yozo 9-dan (Kansai Ki-in).

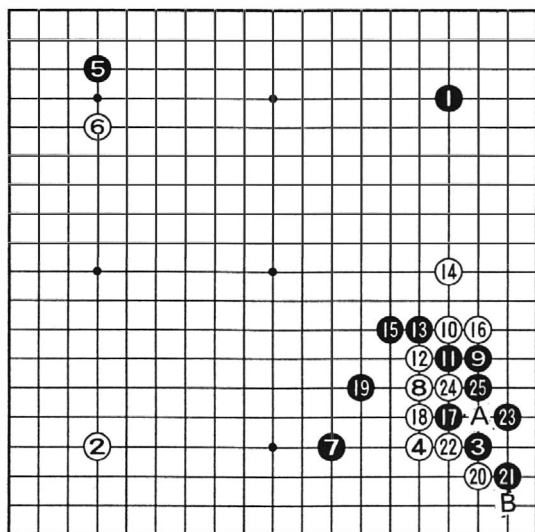


Figure 1 (1-25)

#### Figure 1 (1-25). Immediate fighting

When Black peeps at 17, White has two choices: connecting at 18 and jumping to 19. Playing at 19 is the safe move. According to Hotta 9-dan, however, it is tempting for

White to fill in one of Black's liberties with 18, putting pressure on the corner black group, even though Black has the obvious follow-up of 19. This leads to a very complicated fight that spreads right across the bottom half of the board.

White 20 and 22 look severe. Black 23 is a good response; if at A, White B would leave Black with no good follow-up.

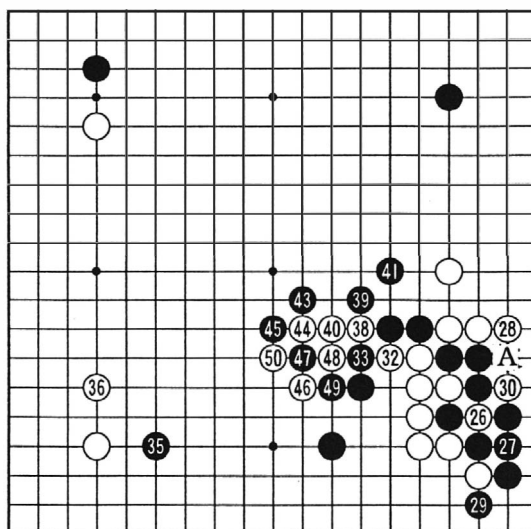


Figure 2 (26-50)  
ko: 31, 34, 37, 42

#### Figure 2 (26-50). An unreasonable ko, but . . .

White 28 is a good move, setting up a ko next with 30 to capture the three key black stones. Since White has ko threats at 32 etc., Black cannot win this ko fight. But White 36 is not good; he should have cut at 38, followed by Black 41, then taken the key stones off the board with A. The result would be that the three black stones in the center (13, 15, and 41) would become a burden on Black.

The best strategy for White is to end the ko as soon as possible, but he keeps fighting in the center, so it becomes difficult for him to take care of the ko. Even so, he is eventually able to end the ko fight safely because

of Black's questionable moves.

Black 39 is a crude atari: simply jumping to 41 is superior.

Black 47 is another mistake: he should play at 51 in the next figure immediately. White 50 would follow, and Black would not have to play 47 and 49.

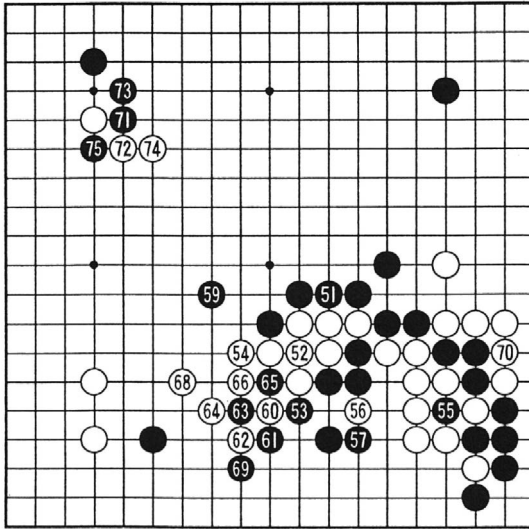
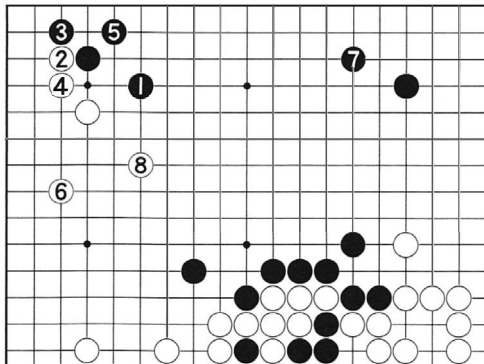


Figure 3 (51-75)

58: ko (right of 55); 67: connects (at 60)



Dia. 1

Figure 3 (51-75). An even game

The moves from White 62 to 66 are a good tesuji. With 70, the fight is finally settled. The situation? The game is still up for grabs.

Now Black attaches at 71, which is a fine move. Black could also follow the variation from 1 to 7 in *Dia. 1*. White might play at 8 next.

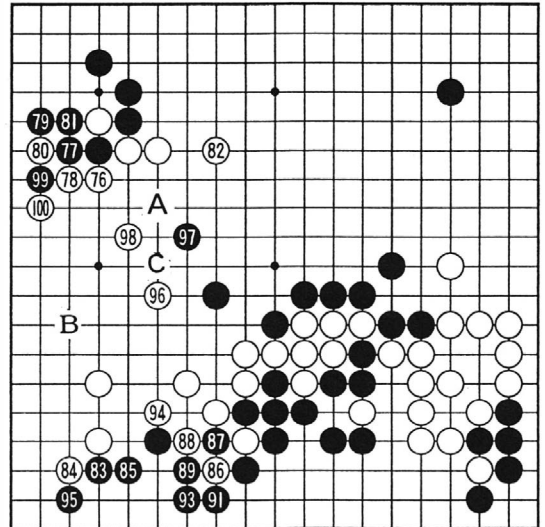


Figure 4 (76-100)

90: ko (right of 87); 92: connects (at 87)

Figure 4 (76-100). Wrong timing

After Black 81, White tries to prevent the cut (to the right of 76) with 82, but the proper move is White A.

Black 83 and 85 are premature: Black might later prefer to invade at 84 instead; or he might prefer to invade at B, in which case the 83-85 exchange would handicap him.

White 94 is not necessary: the white group in the center is already thick enough — Black won't be able to cut it off and attack it. Instead of 94, a descent at White 95 would be gigantic.

White 96 is also questionable: the closer a move is to the thickness around 94, the worse it is. As the go proverb says, *don't play close to thickness*. Thus, White C would be better. Black 97 and 99, and 101 in the next figure are effective moves, taking advantage of White's mistake. This puts White on the spot.

Figure 5 (101-150). Wrong strategic decisions

White 2. White needs to defend at A to forestall the cut of Black 7, which sets up Black 9, but White A and the white stone on the fifth line (98 in Figure 4) would be over-concentrated. White feels that Black is a little in the lead, so he tries to attack the center black group with 2. According to Hotta, however, even though it is true that the po-

sition is favorable for Black, it is not clear how White should attack the center group, so White should just approach at 4 and wait to find out the best way to play in the center.

Black's cuts at 7 and 9 are premature. Black should just leave the bad aji as it is for a little longer.

White 16 should be at 40 to aim at all the black stones, not just the two at 9 and 11.

To take advantage of White 16, Black should immediately atari at 18 so that he can make some territory in the center and secure his center group. White's extension to 18 looks ominous for this group's prospects.

White 22 is neither a forcing move, nor does it help White to separate the center black group from the corner. If Black played 29 at 39, then the game would be over: whatever White did, he wouldn't be able to keep threatening the black group.

However, Black's more serious mistakes are 31, 33, and 35, which provoke the goddess of victory to spurn Black and bestow her favors on White. Instead of 31, Black should have made the center group safe with a move such as Black 41, which would have kept victory in his hands. Black 31 to 35 not only help the white group at the top to link up with White 18, but also significantly weaken the center black group, as well as making the three black stones in the center top a burden on Black. These three stones are later attacked, with 56 and 68 in the next figure; this helps White to make territory at the top very efficiently while reducing Black's territory at the top left.

Now back to Figure 5: White 36 forces Black to do something to rescue his group. But if White plays 40 at 44, White 48 and White 40 become miai, so either way White captures a big chunk of black stones. Because of White 40, Black is able to save all his stones with 41.

Even so, White has now grabbed the lead, and after this Black has no chance of staging an upset.

Black 43. Black 44 would be a little more profitable.

stage an upset.

Black 83 is captured without any compensation (*mochikomi*): it should have been at 86.

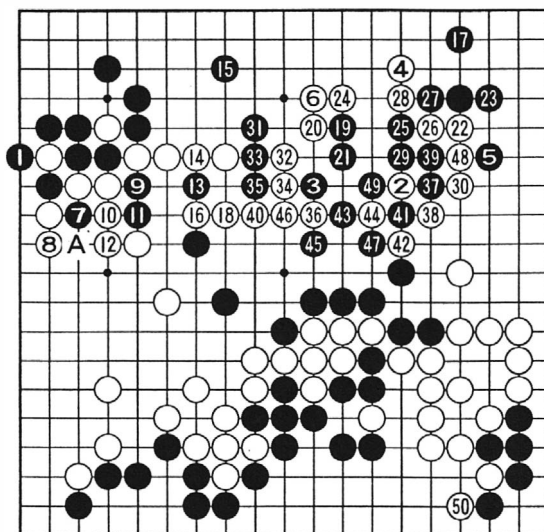


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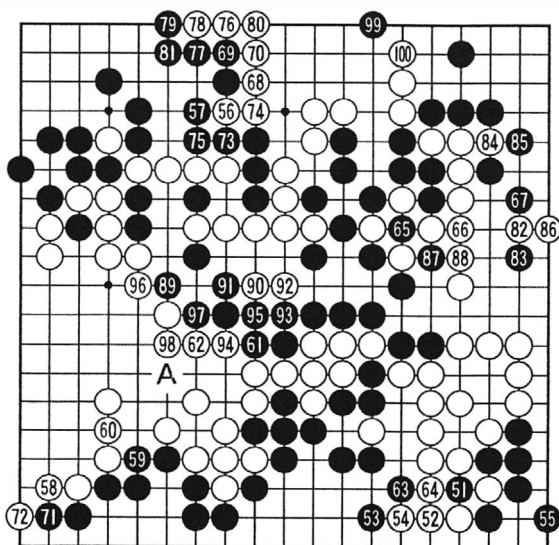
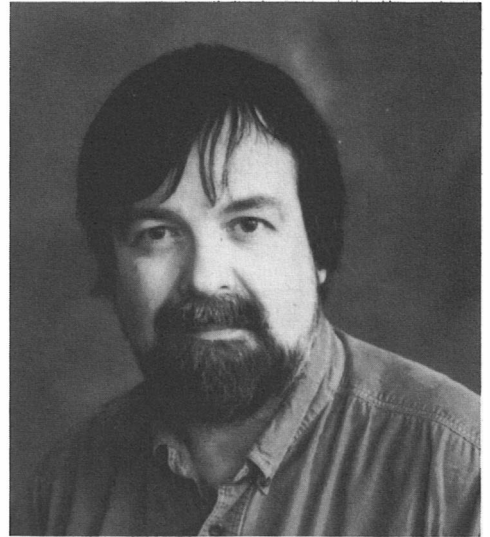
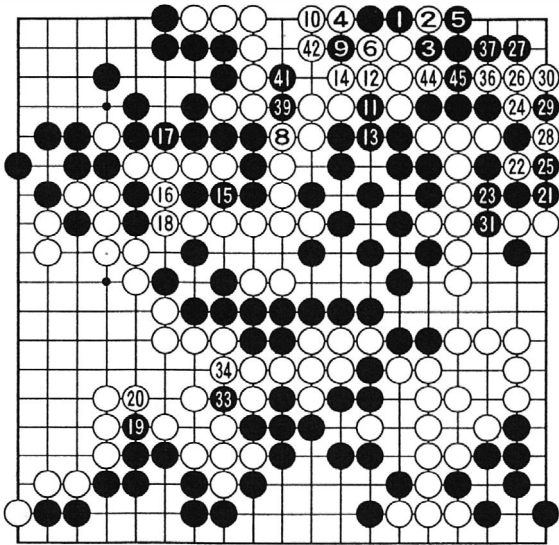


Figure 6 (151-200)

#### Figure 6 (151-200). A *mochikomi*

White 62 is necessary; without it, Black A would reduce White's territory enough to



Jean Michel

Figure 7 (201–246)

7: connects (at 2); 32: ko (at 28); 35: ko (at 29);  
38: ko (at 28); 40: ko (at 22); 43: ko (left of 28);  
46: ko (at 22)

**Figures 7 (201–246).** *The corner dies.*

At the end, the black group in the upper right corner is killed. Black 23 should have been at 25, though White would still win.

*Black resigns after White 246.*

## Game Two: Austria vs. Ireland (Round 3)

**White:** Paul Donnelly 1-dan (Ireland)

**Black:** Ralph Spiegl 5-dan (Austria)

Played on 11 June 1997.

*Commentary by Hotta Yozo 9-dan.*

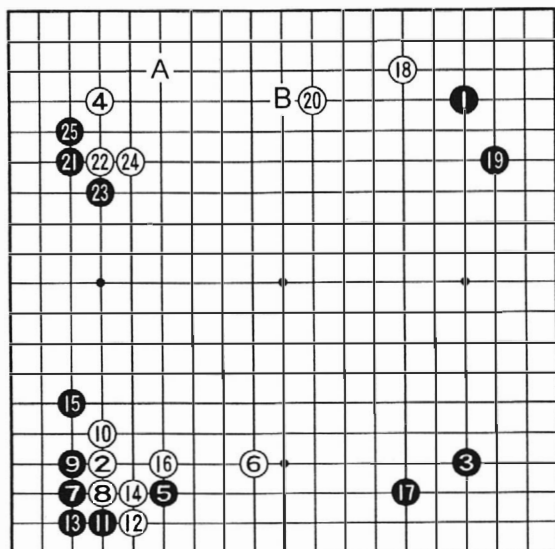


Figure 1 (1-25)

**Figure 1 (1-25).** *Dubious moves by both sides*

White 16 is rather passive; making an approach move at 17 would be more usual.

Black 21. This approach move is on the wrong side: Black A is better, for two reasons. In the first place, the top is more open — if White 20 were at B, Black would not want to play at A. Secondly, Black already has many stones on the third line on the left side, so investing more stones there is not very attractive. White 22 and 24 are, therefore, a good way of making Black overconcentrated.

**Figure 2 (26-50).** *Both sides miss the vital point.*

Black 27 is an overplay: Black should first take care of his stones on the left side. White 28 is a good answer, but White should play 32 before 30. With the weakness here, White cannot attack Black wholeheartedly. From this point on, White makes a series of critical mistakes and rushes headlong to defeat.

White decides to make outside thickness by pushing along with 34 to 38, but 40 is a big mistake. It should be at White 41, which would be very severe. Black would have a weak point at A, so he wouldn't be able to counterattack.

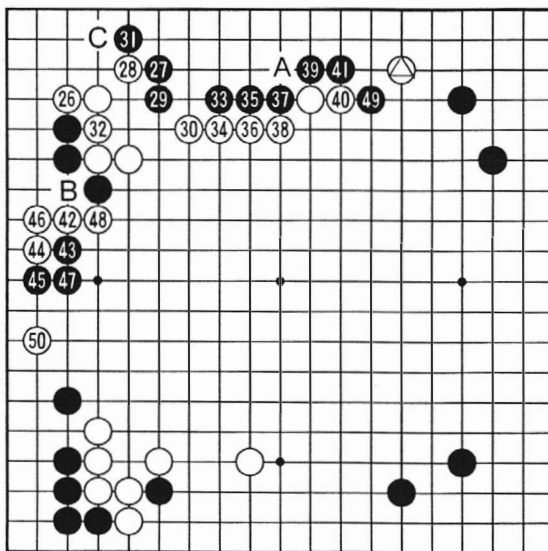


Figure 2 (26-50)

However, White 42 is a far graver mistake and the first 'losing move' in this game. White had no choice but to extend at 49 to link up with his marked stone. This is the vital point in the game right now. Moreover, if White wants to attack the three black stones on the top left side, the correct move is cutting at B. White 42 allows Black to escape easily by connecting at B. White's thickness above is not really powerful yet: he has a weakness at 49 and no stone at C. Therefore, once Black connects at B, he can get away from a white attack without any difficulty.

For the above reasons, Black 43 is dubious. It just eliminates the possibility of playing Black B. Instead of doing anything here immediately, Black should simply hane at 49 to take advantage of White's mistake and aim at playing B later.

Both Black and White missed the vital point of 49, but Black finally takes it and at the same time secures a big lead.

White 50 is an interesting invasion but premature.

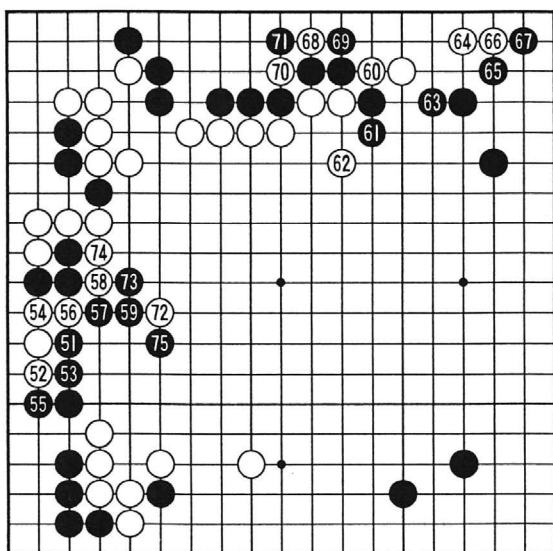


Figure 3 (51-75)

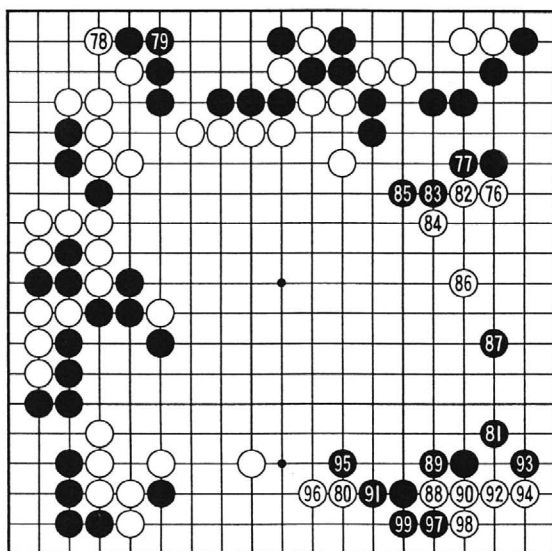
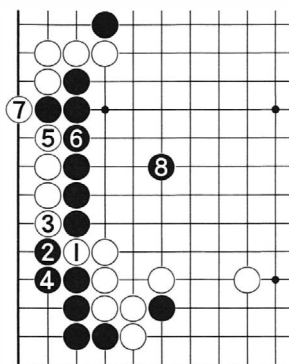


Figure 4 (76-99)



Dia. 1

Figure 3 (51-75). A large mochikomi

White 54 should be at 1 in Dia. 1. Even so, after White links up with 7 the black stones can escape comfortably with 8.



Paul Donnelly, aged 25 and making his WAGC debut, scored three wins and came 36th.

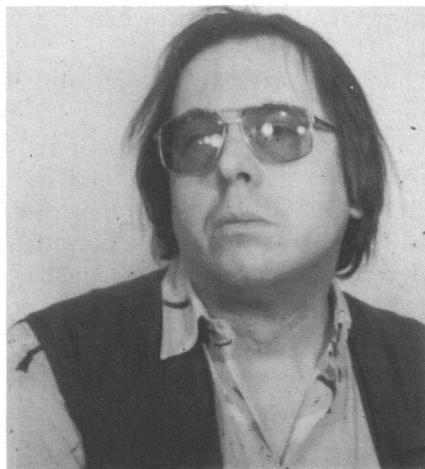
White 60 worsens the situation. White loses all his stones at the top while helping Black to solidify his top right corner. This decides the game.

Figure 4 (76-99). White is outgunned.

White plays on a little, but the game is already irretrievably lost.

Inevitably, perhaps, for a 1-dan up against a 5-dan, Paul Donnelly found himself outgunned in this game. However, just a couple of strategic adjustments could have made a big difference to how things went.

White resigns after Black 99.



Ralph Spiegl

Ralph Spiegl, aged 38, scored five wins and took 12th place in what was his second appearance in the WAGC.

## Game Three: Chile vs. Brazil (Round 4)

**White:** Rudolf Caio Petersen 2-dan (Brazil)

**Black:** Carlos Segura 2-dan (Chile)

Played on 11 June 1997.

Commentary by Hotta Yozo 9-dan.

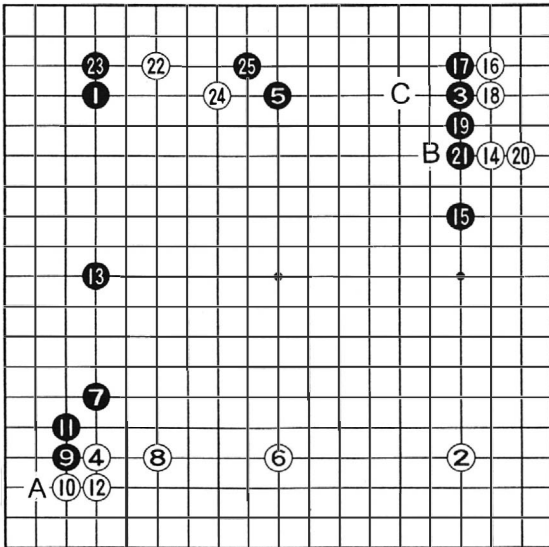


Figure 1 (1-25)

### Figure 1 (1-25). Worried about the moyo

Black plays the first move in the upper left corner. Traditionally Black plays in the upper right corner, but, according to Hotta, a player should play anywhere he or she wants.

White 12 is slack. It is more profitable to play at A.

White now turns to the upper right corner. After the game, Rudolf said he didn't like the large black moyo. In that case, suggested Hotta, he should have played 16 at B (Black replies at C). This is reasonable when White has a stone in the bottom right corner.

When White invades the moyo with 22 and 24, Black 23 and 25 are one good way to attack him.

### Figure 2 (26-50). Mishandling the invasion

With 29, it is Black's turn to invade a moyo. Beginning with 33, both sides make a number of mistakes. Black 33 is a thin move: it's better to play at 38 or 34.

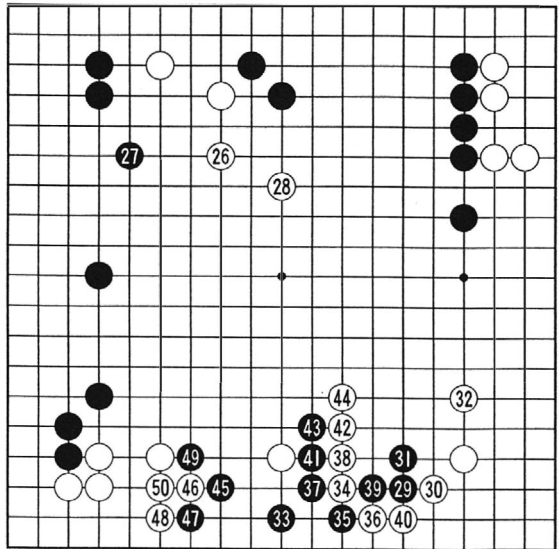
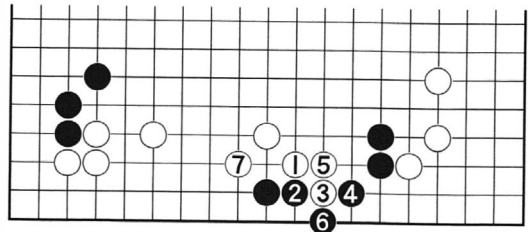


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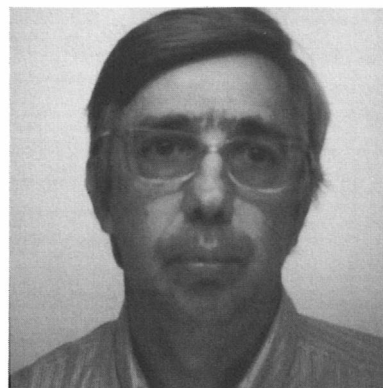


Dia. 1: denying Black eye shape

White 34. If White played 1 to 7 in Dia. 1, the black group would not have two eyes and would be in trouble.

Black 35 is not a good way to take advantage of White's mistake. It is better to play at 37 first, followed by White 41 and Black 35. This way Black would be able to settle his group.

White 36 should be at 37 to prevent Black from settling his group.



Rudolf Caio Petersen



Black 39 is another mistake, eliminating the possibility of linking up the two black stones with a ko later.

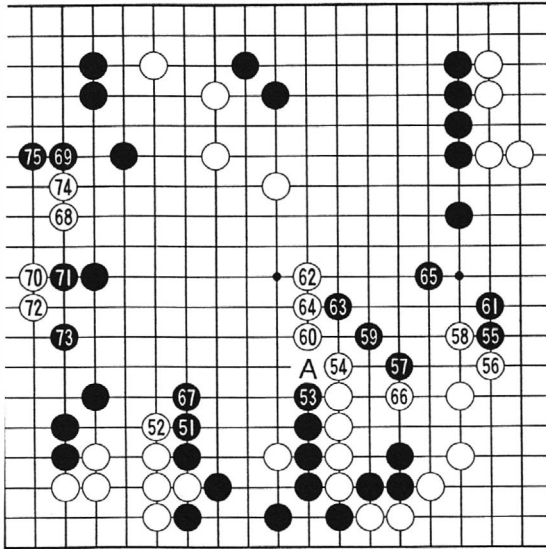


Figure 3 (51-75)

**Figure 3 (51-75). Too many small moves**

The next critical mistake by both players is missing the chance to play 67 after White 52. This is the head of two stones: Black mustn't let White play there, so if he gets the chance, White must play there. Taking this point will have a significant influence on the white group at the top, not to mention the left side.

The exchange of 53 for 54 helps White, as 54 offers support to the white group at the top.

Black 55 is too small. Instead of 57, Black should extend at 58. Saving the three stones is not big at all, as it doesn't affect any of the neighboring white stones. White, in turn, goes wrong with his move at 60. This has no effect on any black stones, so it is not good. It is better to play at A.

White 66 is not big, either, but since White has linked up with his top group with 62, the game has tilted in his favor. He maintains this lead until the end.

The commentary terminates at this point.

**Figure 4 (76-100), Figure 5 (101-150)**

Moves after 150 omitted.  
White wins by 4½ points.

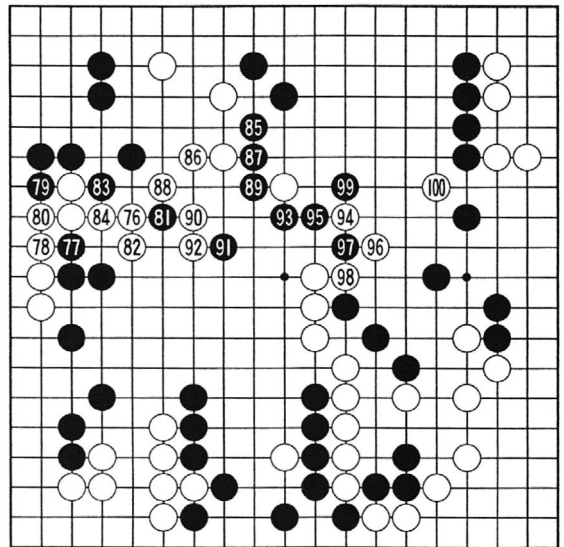


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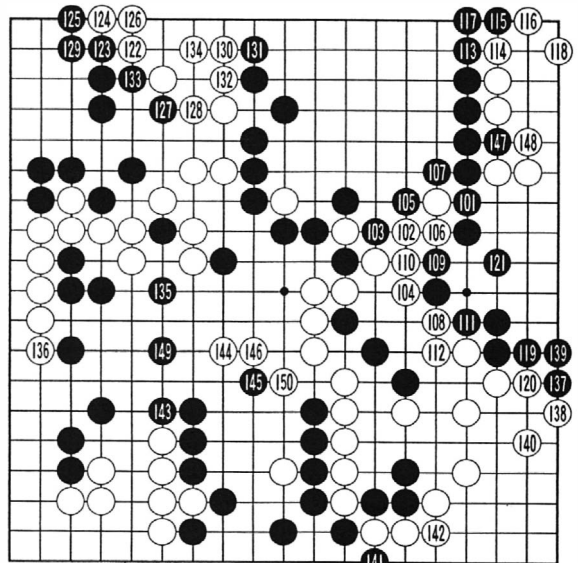


Figure 5 (101-150)



Carlos Segura

## Game Four: Romania vs. Japan (Round 4)

**White:** Sakai Hideyuki 7-dan (Japan)

**Black:** Cristian Pop 6-dan (Romania)

Played on 11 June 1997.

Commentary by Otake Hideo 9-dan.

Sakai, regarded by locals as the favorite, won this game without any problems. In reviewing it, Otake pointed out some mistakes by Pop, but what he didn't like most was that Pop just followed joseki variations on the board and kept playing with just his knowledge rather than trying to create his own game. He argued that if Pop wants to get stronger, he should try to develop his own joseki and his own game. Otake continued that if you just follow joseki, sooner or later you reach a limit, after which you can't get any stronger. Nothing is more important than developing your own game.

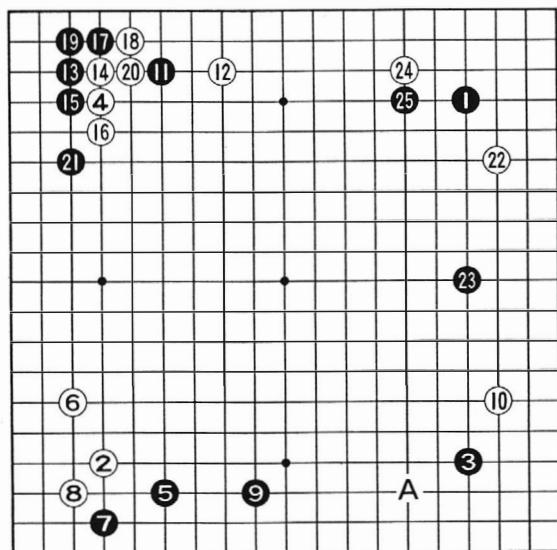


Figure 1 (1–25)

**Figure 1 (1–25).** *A misguided pincer*

Black 23 may look like a tempting pincer, as it attacks both 10 and 22, but because Black doesn't have corner enclosures at both 24 and A and because White has thickness in the upper left corner, 23 is an overplay. When White plays 24, and 26 and 28 in the next figure, the top becomes a good territorial moyo.

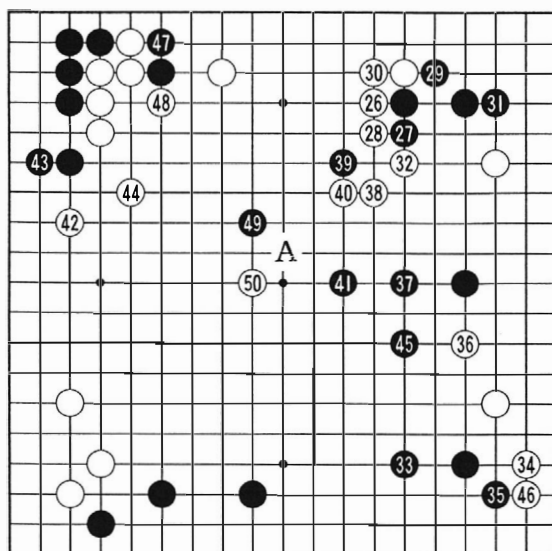


Figure 2 (26–50)

**Figure 2 (26–50).** *A series of dubious moves*

Black 31 is also problematic: it should be at 32 to exert influence toward the center. That way, Black would be able to attack the white stone below (10) severely. Once White plays 32, Black can't attack 10; instead, he must flee with 37.

Black 39 is another mistake. White can counter with 40, so Black 39 is of no further use, while Black has to support 23 and 37 with 41. In response to White 42, Black 43 is also passive.

Black 47 is a do-or-die move, but White answers peacefully with 48, probably because, confident of his lead, he wants to play safe and avoid complications.

Black tries to erase the white moyo with 49, but this move is also questionable; it should have been at A. White 50 is a good counterattack.



Cristian Pop

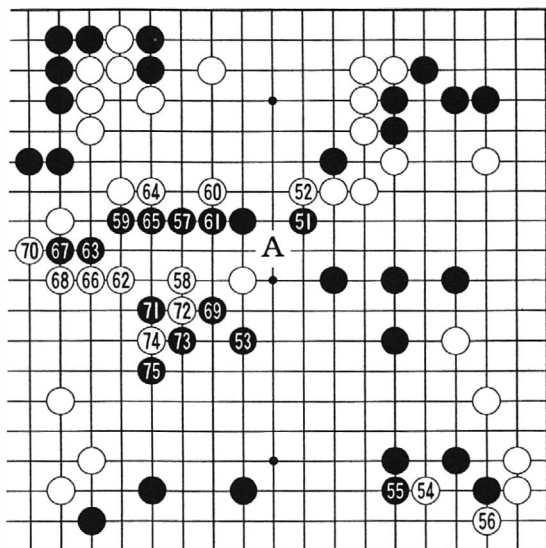
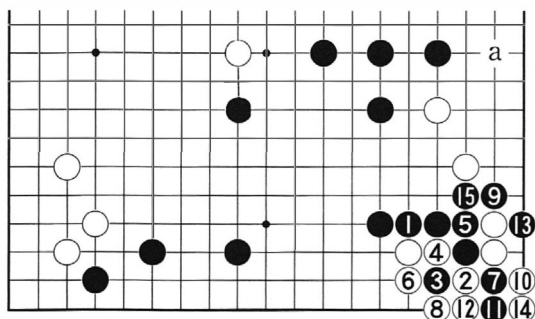


Figure 3 (51-75)

**Figure 3 (51-75). A decisive mistake**

Black 51 gives White a good rhythm to push through with 52, which completely erases the aji of Black 39. Instead of 51, Black A would be submissive. In short, Black has no good move after White 50 in Figure 2.

White plays 54 to reduce the black territorial moyo. Black's answer at 55 probably determines the outcome of this game. Not being able to counter White 56 is painful for Black. Instead of 55, Black had no choice but to connect at 1 in *Dia. 1*, followed by White 2 to Black 15. Even though White 'a' would still reduce the black territory, thus preventing Black from turning the game around, this was still Black's only option. After 56, Black has no realistic chances of upsetting White's lead, and so the commentary terminates at this point.



*Dia. 1: Black's only option*

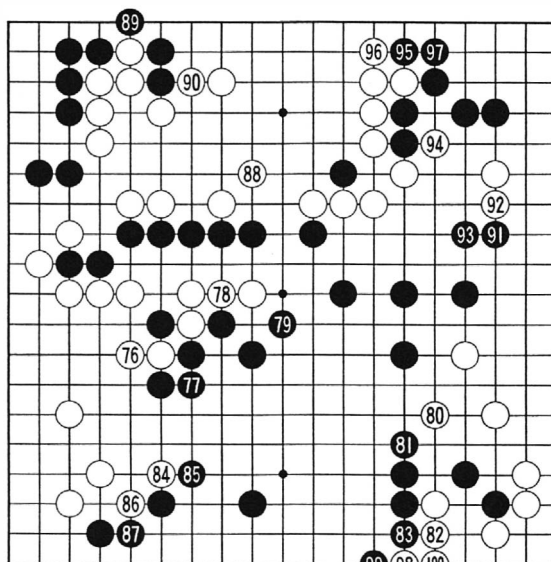


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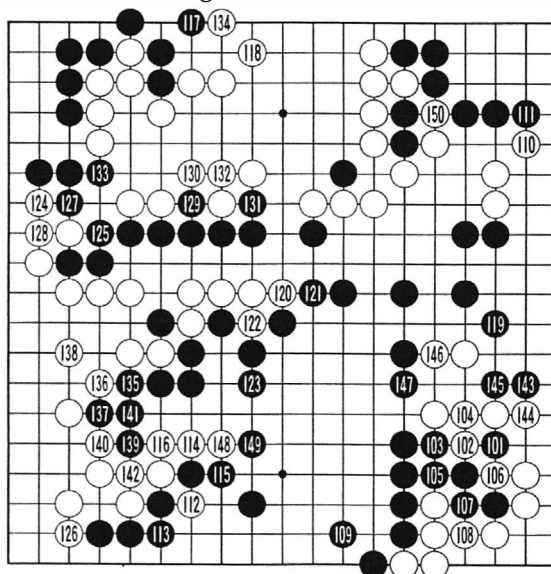
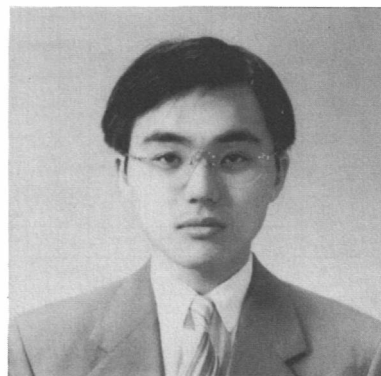


Figure 5 (101-150)



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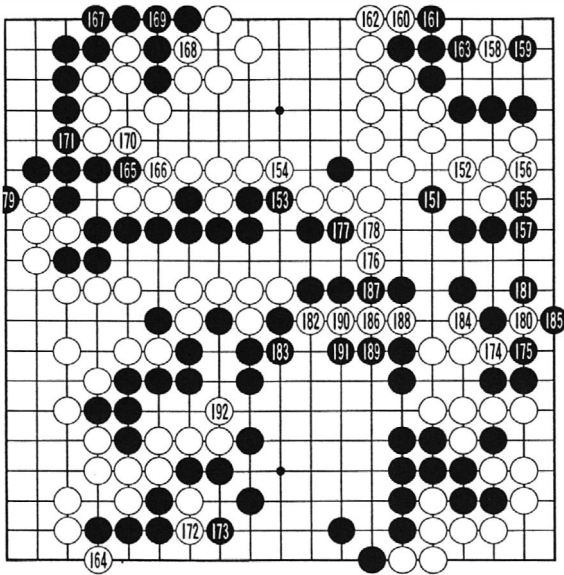


Figure 6 (151–192)  
Black resigns after White 192.

### Game Five: Poland vs. South Africa (Round 4)

**White:** Chris Visser 1-dan (South Africa)  
**Black:** Leszek Soldan 6-dan (Poland)  
 Played on 11 June 1997.  
 Commentary by Hotta Yozo 9-dan.

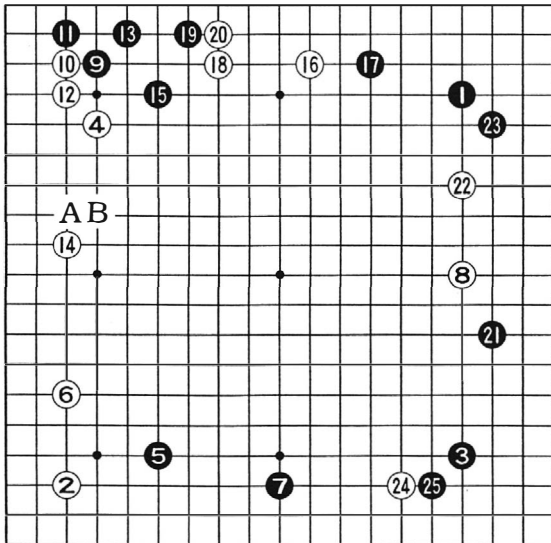
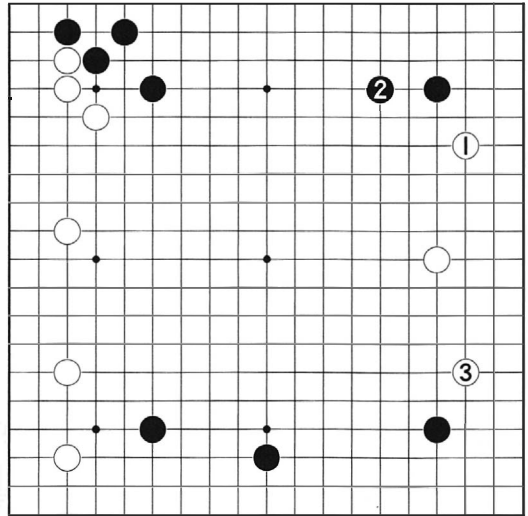


Figure 1 (1–25)

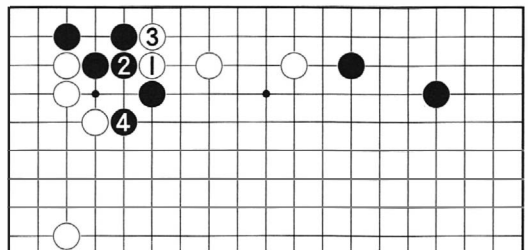
**Figure 1 (1–25). Mistakes in direction**  
 White 14 is the first mistake. Since White has a low position with 2 and 6, it is not

desirable to play 14 close to 6. Better would be White A or a high move at B, which would make good balance on the left side.

White 16 is not good, either; after the exchange of 17 for 18, the two white stones are too close to Black's solid position in the upper left. It is better to make a Mt. Fuji with 1 and 3 in *Dia. 1*.



*Dia. 1: Mt. Fuji*



*Dia. 2: nothing to fear*

Black 19 is not necessary: Black is making himself overconcentrated. Even without 19, White can't threaten the black group. If for example, he plays 1 and 3 in *Dia. 2*, Black simply responds with 2 and 4, making a strong, flexible shape. In the game, White 18 becomes a forcing move, so White gets another chance to make a Mt. Fuji with 20.

Black 21 is, therefore, a very good move, taking territory and threatening White 8.

**Figure 2 (26–50). White tries for too much.**

Now a skirmish begins in the bottom right corner. White 30 is an overplay: he should have strengthened the three white

stones at the bottom with White 34 and then aimed at White 30.

When White tries to make life with 32, Black properly punishes his opponent with 33. White is now in serious trouble: rescuing both his groups here is impossible.

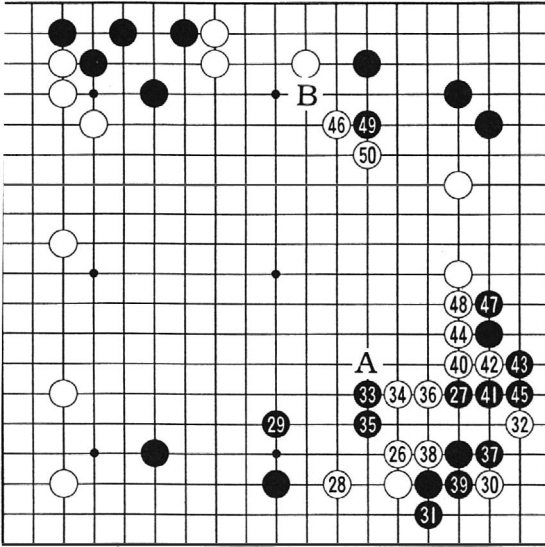
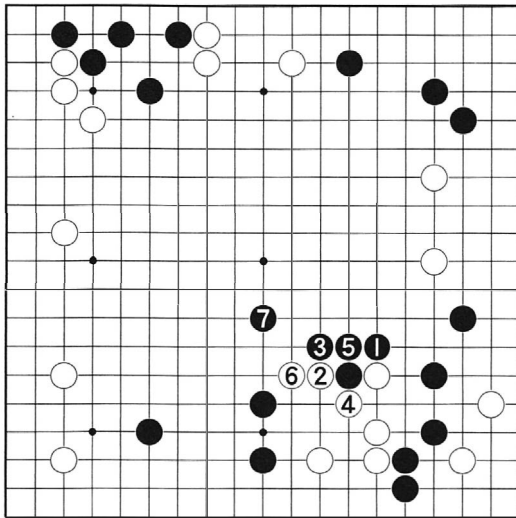


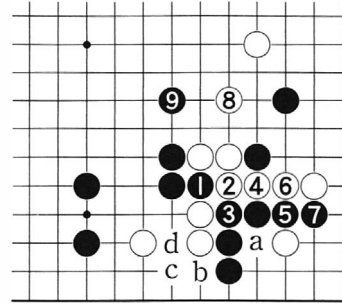
Figure 2 (26-50)



Dia. 3: Black builds thickness

But Black 35 is a bit questionable. Stopping White from moving toward the right side with 1 in Dia. 3 would be better; White would have to flee with 2 to 6, but Black would be able to maintain his attack with 7. As a result, black thickness would be built up on the outside, influencing the two white

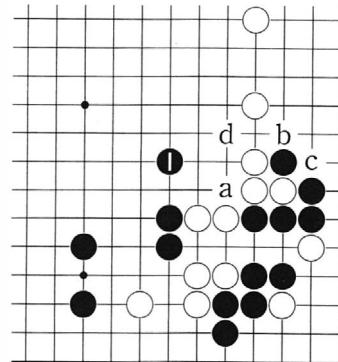
stones above (8 and 22). In the game, by contrast, White links up with these stones with the sequence to 44. However, both players make mistakes along the way.



Dia. 4: Black's missed opportunity

White 36 is the wrong answer to Black 35: he must play 38 first. White's mistake means that instead of 37 Black could take a large profit by pushing through with 1 in Dia. 4. Up to 9, Black swallows up the four white stones without having any black stone work inefficiently. White does surround two black stones after 8, but the top side is still open at the edge, so this territory is not as big as Black's. If White played 2 in Dia. 4 at 3, Black would keep pushing through at 2; if White 'a', Black plays 'b'—White 'c'—Black 'd' and wins the capturing race.

Even despite this missed opportunity, Black's profit up to 45 is so large that he secures a significant lead. Black keeps a firm grip on this lead throughout the remainder of the game. However, Hotta made many important points about the subsequent play in his review, so our commentary continues.



Dia. 5: good for Black

White 46. White should have at A to strengthen this group further. Moreover,

White 46 itself is not good, as it leaves a weak point at B. To take advantage of White's mistake, Black should jump to 1 in *Dia. 5* instead of 47 and aim at the cut at 'a'. Actually, the exchange of 47 for 48 is not profitable for Black. Even if White ataries at 'b' in the diagram, forcing Black to connect at 'c', Black 'd' becomes a good forcing move. Moreover, even after White 'b', the right side is still open at the edge, so this does not become white territory.

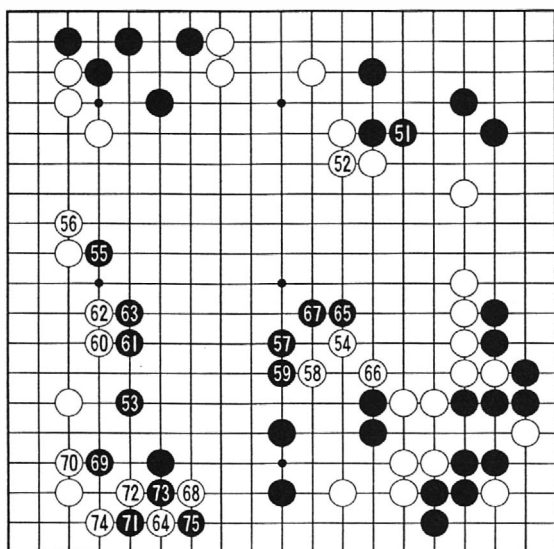
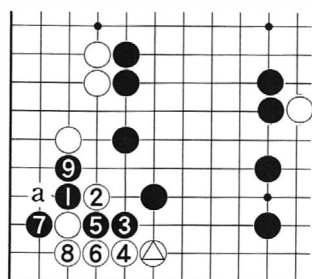


Figure 3 (51-75)



*Dia. 6: seizing extra profit*

**Figure 3 (51-75). Two thin moves**

White 54 is a thin move. It is better to hane at 66; if Black hanes in response, White can play a two-step hane. That would create a stronger shape. Because of 54, White cannot counterattack against 65 but has to retreat with 66.

In retrospect, White 64 is also a thin move; the proper move is White 72. One way to punish White 64 is to attach at 1 in

*Dia. 6*; if White 2, Black 3 to 9 will considerably reduce the corner. If White plays 2 at 'a', Black plays at 5 and will be able to capture the marked white stone.

Instead, Black turns to the center with 65, so White gets sente to go back to the bottom left corner. However, 68 should be at 73. Black counters 68 with the 69-71 combination, so he increases his lead.

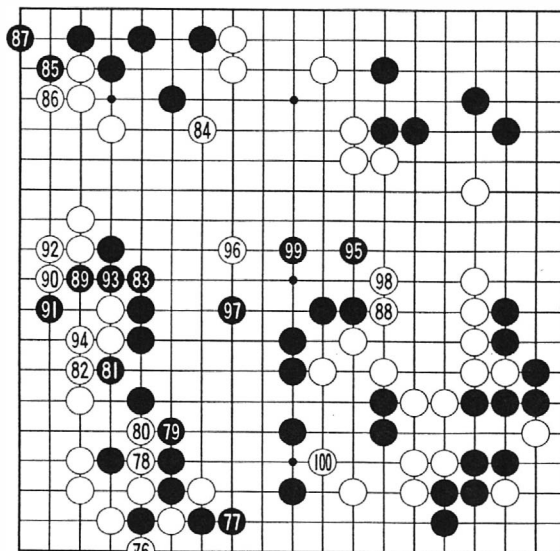


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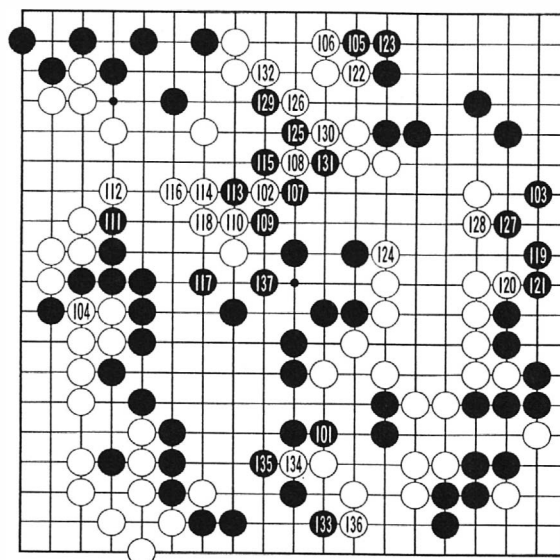


Figure 5 (101-137)

**Figure 4 (76-100), Figure 5 (101-137)**  
*White resigns after Black 137.*

## Game Six: Belgium vs. Hungary (Round 2)

**White:** Csaba Mero 5-dan (Hungary)  
**Black:** Olivier Dodinval 2-dan (Belgium)  
 Played on 10 June 1997.  
 Commentary by Hotta Yozo 9-dan.

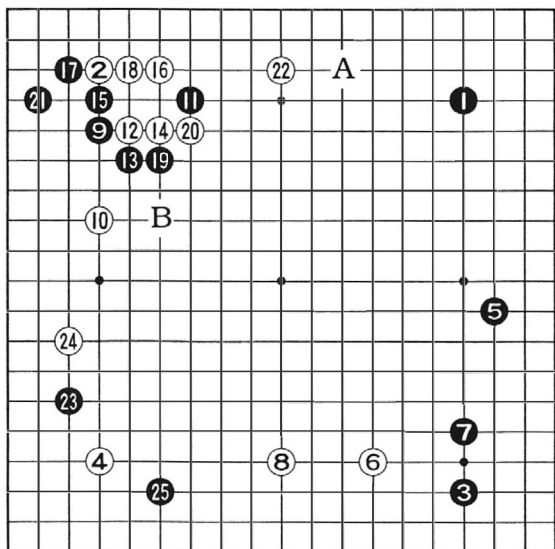


Figure 1 (1-25)

### Figure 1 (1-25). *The Magic Sword*

In the upper left corner, the Magic Sword of Muramasa joseki appears. At the end of it, White extends to 22 at the top. Hotta commented that if he were White, he would have extended at A. He also suggested that White 22 at B was also possible.

Black 25 is a bit of an overplay.

### Figure 2 (26-50). *Trading errors*

White 26. The strongest move is White 35, according to Hotta, but 26 is OK.

White 34 is a serious mistake, as it lets Black descend at 35 in sente, increasing his territory, before answering at 37. White must atari at 35 before playing 34.

Black returns mistake for mistake with 39, which is an overplay. What with the white thickness at the bottom, it will be difficult for Black to escape safely. Instead of 39, he should have reduced the white moyo by playing Black 40.

White 40 and 42 are good moves for taking advantage of Black's mistake, but White

44 is unnecessary. Since it is not sente, Black can play a move to pull out 39. Were White to play 44 at A, Black 39 would probably be doomed.

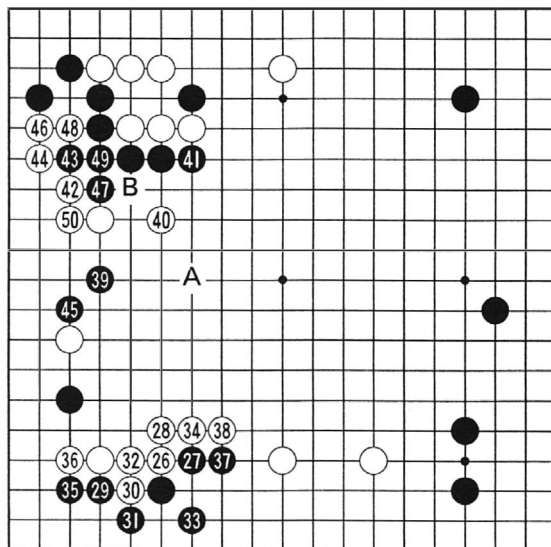
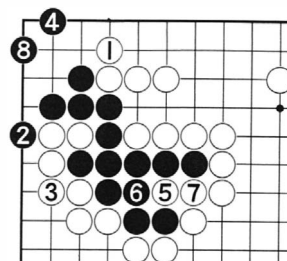


Figure 2 (26-50)



Dia. 1: *Black lives*

Even though Black has been given sente, 45 is not a good way to use it. Jumping lightly to A would be good enough.

Next, the players take it in turns to make important mistakes. After 46, Black should simply connect at 49; the exchange of 47 for 50 only helps to make the white stones strong. White returns the favor by making the bad exchange of 48 for 49 — bad because it fills in one of the liberties of 44 and 46. Hotta gave a nice demonstration of why this was bad. Let's assume that the black group has been surrounded as in *Dia. 1*. If White tries to kill Black, Black can make two eyes thanks to the sente move of 2. Without White 48 and Black 53 (Figure 3) on the board, Black 2 in the diagram is not sente [so White can answer Black 4 with a placement

at White 8, reducing Black to one gote eye in the corner].

If White played 48 at 50 and Black played at 48, White B would become sente, so White would gain something different, not to mention the fact that he'd have an extra ko threat.

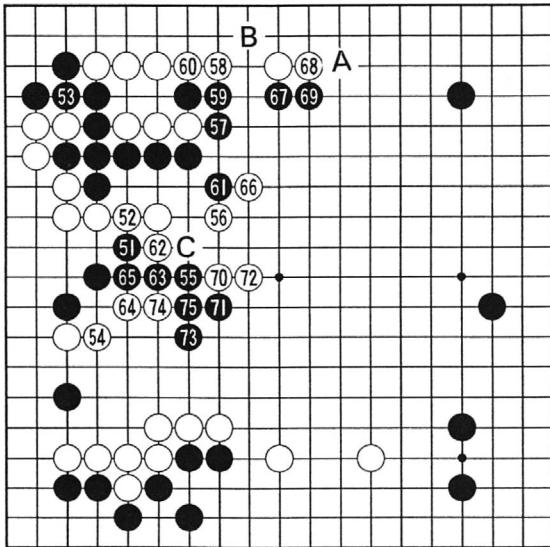


Figure 3 (51-75)

**Figure 3 (51-75). Untimely forcing moves**

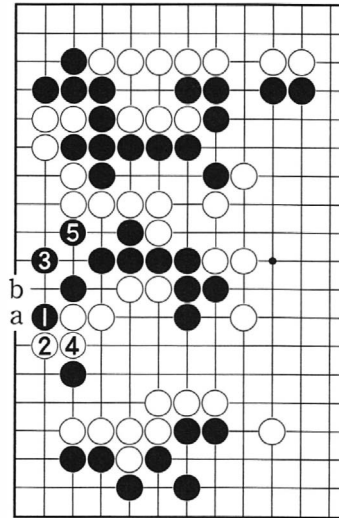
By and large, this fight is tough on Black once White takes the point of 54.

Black 57 is a forcing move, but Black should not play 59 right now. Later on, without the 59-60 exchange and after Black has played A, it may be possible to aim at the invasion of B. In other words, Black 59 just helps White to eliminate his bad aji at the top.

White continues with some crude moves. White 62 and 64 are sente, but there's no need to play them now. If Black 62 forced White to make bad shape, White 62 would be justified, but that's not the case. White would answer Black 62 with C, which sets up the move of White 64 to spoil Black's shape.

After these exchanges, White plays 66, aiming at capturing the black group on the side with 70 to 76 (Figure 4). But this strategy shouldn't work, as Black can make two eyes with 1 to 5 in *Dia. 2*. If White ataries at 'a' at any point, Black will fight a ko with 'b'.

Any move threatening to escape into the center becomes a ko threat, so Black will have no trouble winning this ko fight.



*Dia. 2: Black should live*

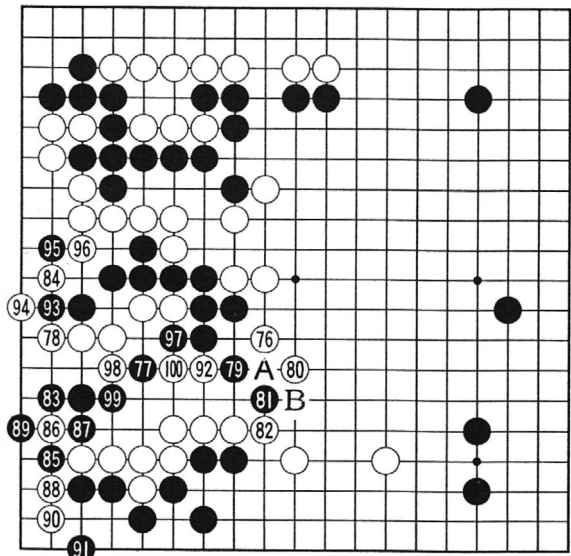


Figure 4 (76-100)

**Figure 4 (76-100). Black commits suicide.**

Black 77 is, therefore, obviously a bad mistake, as it provokes White 78. The black group is now faced with a crisis.

White 80. If at A or B, Black would not be able to extricate himself. White 80 is terrible, as Black could now escape by pushing through with Black 81 and Black B. This would put Black way ahead in the game.

With the sequence 83 to 91, Black throws



away this golden opportunity and his chances of winning. Now Black can neither link up with his corner group nor escape into the center. At this moment, the outcome of the game is determined.

Figure 5 (101–150). A big lead

Black plays on, but White has a big lead.  
White wins by 16½ points.



Olivier Dodinval

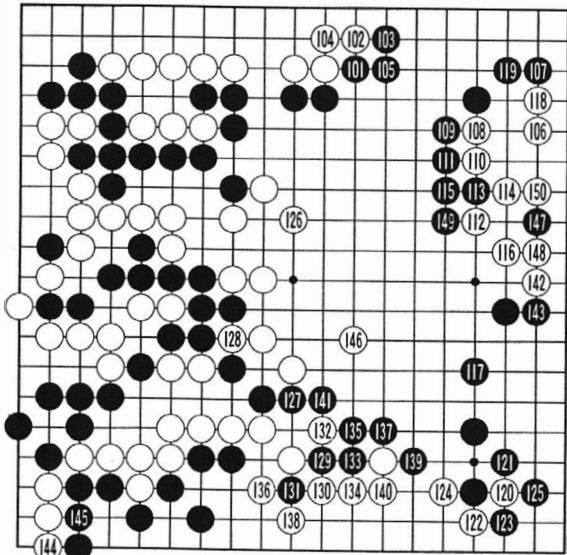


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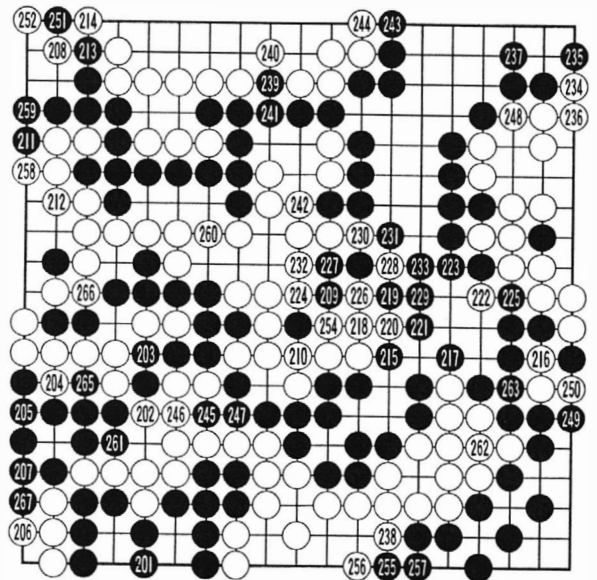


Figure 7 (201–267)  
253: connects (at 228);  
264: connects (right of 216)

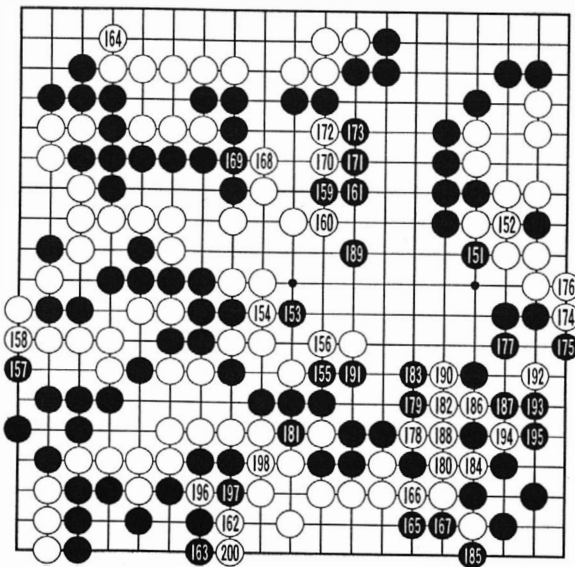
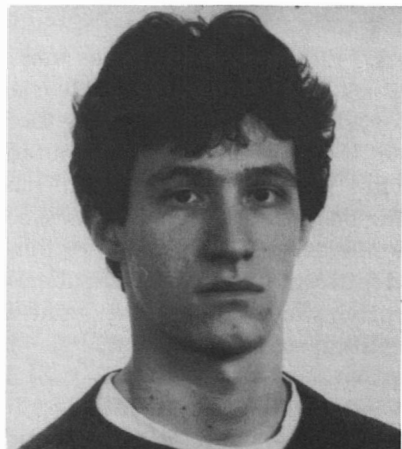


Figure 6 (151–200)  
199: connects (at 196)



Csaba Mero

## WAGC Teaching Games

Every year *Go Weekly* arranges for three teaching games to be played between Nihon Ki-in professionals and WAGC competitors during or after the tournament.

The previous year the WAGC players were unable to win a single game. This time they were able to do a little better.



*Haruyama Isamu 9-dan*

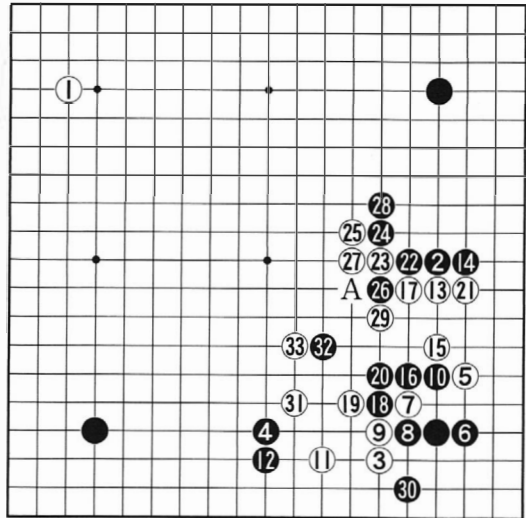
### Game 1: Plyushch vs. Haruyama

**White:** Haruyama Isamu 9-dan  
**3 stones:** Yuriyi Plyushch 4-dan

Yuriyi Plyushch, age 41, was making his first appearance in the WAGC. He is a go instructor who lives in Kiev and he took third place in the 1996 Ukrainian Championship. Starting about ten years ago, he has been teaching go to children at the Kiev Go Club.

There was no set time limit for this game, played during a rest period at the WAGC, but Yuriyi was told that the game should finish within roughly an hour.

Haruyama Isamu 9-dan is well known overseas, as he has made countless instruction tours. He is a Kitani disciple and turns 52 this year.



*Figure 1 (1–33)*

#### **Figure 1 (1–33).** *Plyushch's fighting style*

Black 6 shows an aggressive attitude. Black 12 at 15 would be more peaceful, but Black invites White to save 5: he is determined to split White into two groups, so that he can attack him effectively. It is already clear that Plyushch is a fighter.

Black 30 is dubious. The ladder after Black A favours Black, so he should pull out his stone.



*Yuriyi Plyushch*



Haruyama 9-dan plays a key move in the middle game.

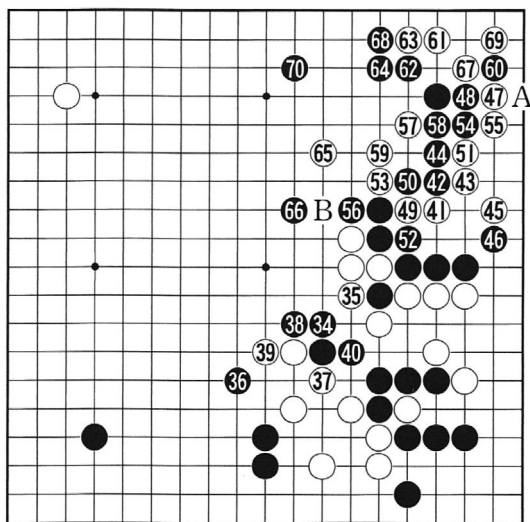


Figure 2 (34–70)

**Figure 2 (34–70).** Black gets into difficulties.

Haruyama: 'Black has attacked vigorously, but he hasn't done particularly well in the result to 37.'

White 41 starts the second round of fighting.

Black 46. Sacrificing the stones here with 46 at 51 would be simpler, but perhaps

Plyushch disdains this kind of play as 'timid'. Actually, he confessed later that he had made an oversight here.

The move he overlooked is White 49, which spoils Black's shape. White's cut at 53 makes the position very difficult.

Black 64. If Black connects at 67, then answers White 64 with Black A, he will win the capturing race. White will squeeze on the outside, and a completely different game will follow.

Black played 66 without thinking properly. He must extend solidly at B, according to Haruyama.

**Figure 3 (71–105).** A deadly warikomi

White 71 puts pressure on the black group at the top, but White is aiming at the wedge in at 89. That means that 74 should be at 93, but Plyushch has not noticed this threat. When White makes the wedge, the game is over.

Haruyama: 'I've seen about three other games of Plyushch's. His reading is solid, and he's probably about 6-dan. But he didn't do justice to himself in this game.'

Plyushch: 'A fast game against a strong

player is difficult . . . I felt a lot of pressure.'

The game may have ended abruptly, but Plyushch maintained his attacking posture to the end, so it was an interesting game for the spectators.

*Black resigns after White 105.*

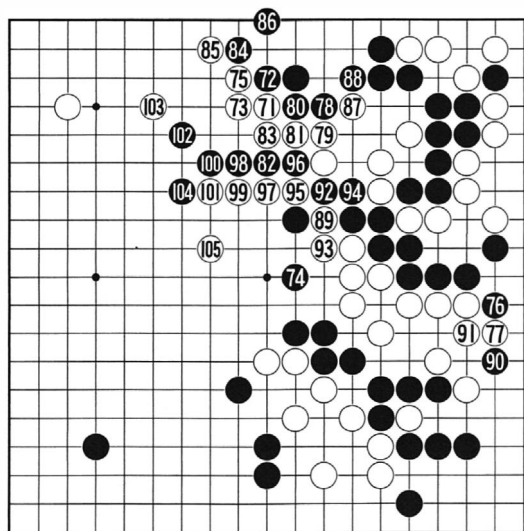


Figure 3 (71–105)

## Game 2: Soldan vs. Fukui

**White:** Fukui Masaaki 8-dan

**3 stones:** Leszek Soldan 6-dan (Poland)

Leszek Soldan was making his sixth appearance in the WAGC. This time he improved on his 22nd place the previous year, coming 13th this time. However, he was not satisfied, as he had done better in the past (9th in 1988). Also, as a former insei — he studied at the Nihon Ki-in for 15 months around the beginning of the decade — he should expect to finish higher up.

Fukui Masaaki, who turned 54 in January 1998, is a disciple of Iwamoto Kaoru 9-dan. He is known as an expert on classical go, and he played an important role in compiling the *Complete Games of Dosaku*. He travels the length and breadth of Japan searching for 'lost' game records and has unearthed many forgotten games by players such as Dosaku and Shusaku. He is also a composer of elegant life-and-death problems.

Life-and-death issues figure prominently

in this game, but unfortunately, the *Go Weekly* article gives virtually no analysis of the play, being mainly concerned with Leszek's vegetarianism (which always surprises the Japanese — many people have an image, perhaps derived from books about Zen temples, of vegetarianism as being popular in Japan, but actually complete abstinence from fish is extremely uncommon) and his height (188 cm). We have added brief comments (in square brackets).

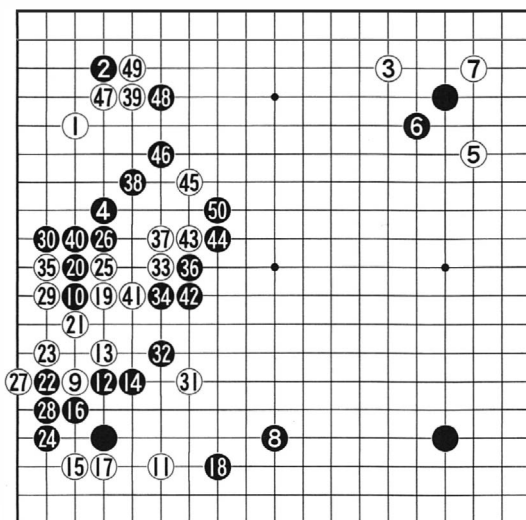
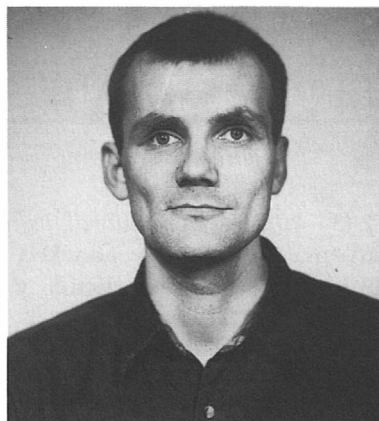


Figure 1 (1–50)

### Figure 1 (1–50). *Immediate fighting*

[Black 28. If Black fights the ko, White has neighbouring ko threats, beginning with White 29.]

Black 30. If Black blocks at 35, White will exploit the aji of a cut at White 40.]



Leszek Soldan

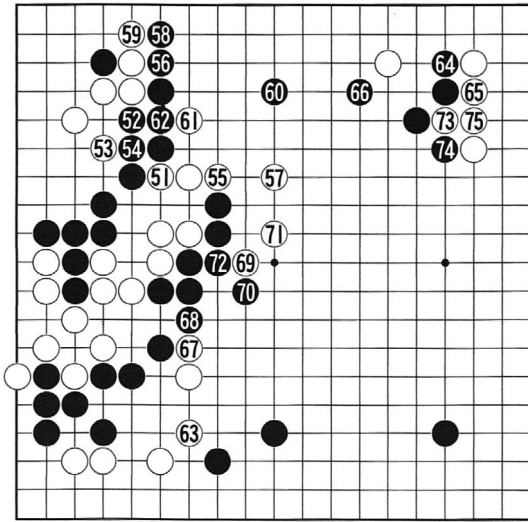


Figure 2 (51–75)

**Figure 2 (51–75). A running fight**

[The game develops into a running battle between eyeless groups. White seems to profit by seizing the top right corner.]

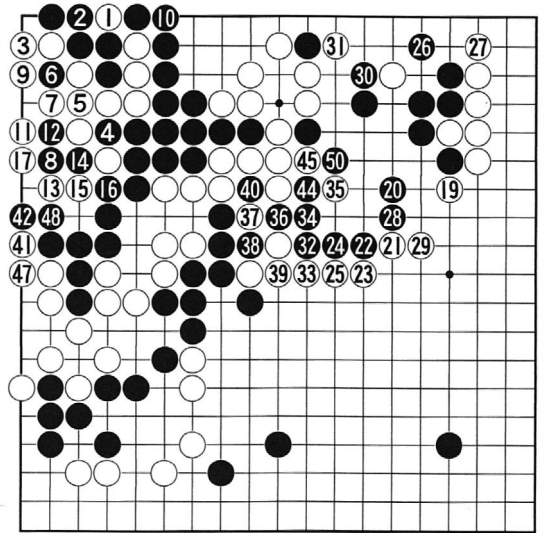


Figure 4 (101–150)

18: connects; ko: 43, 46, 49

**Figure 4 (101–150)**

Soldan plays very well to kill the corner white group. Despite this, he is not doing well in the game overall.

[Black 34. Is it already too late for Black to get two eyes?]

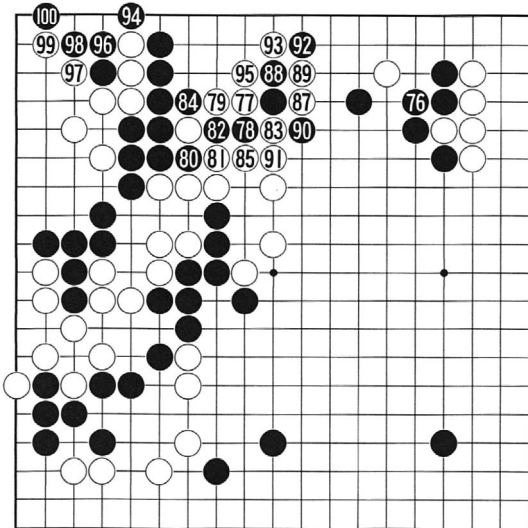


Figure 3 (76–100)

86: connects

**Figure 3 (76–100). White breaks through at the top.**

Black 78, 92. Sharp moves, according to Fukui, but Black should pull out his stone with Black 95 instead of 94.

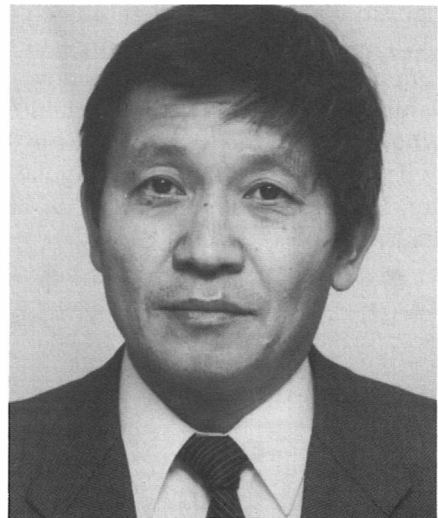
[When White tenukies against 94, it looks as if Black may have miscalculated, but . . .]

**Figure 5 (151–199)**

[White's successive moves at 63 and 65 in the bottom right corner seem to be enough.

Black's bottom right position falls to pieces, so he has to resign.]

*Black resigns after White 199.*



Fukui Masaaki

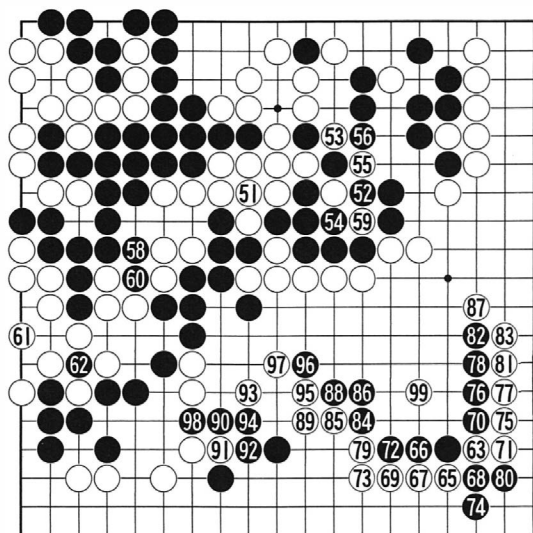


Figure 5 (151–199)  
57: ko; 64: connects (below 62)

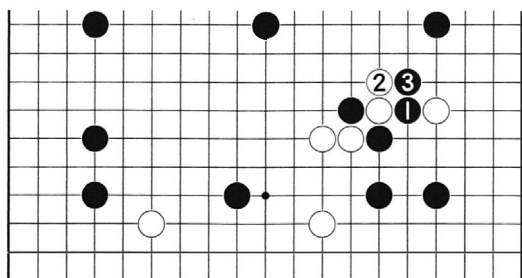
### Game 3: Hoffman vs. Kamimura

**White:** Kamimura Kunio 9-dan  
**7 stones:** Ralf Hoffmann 1-kyu (Luxembourg)

The final player to appear in the handicap series is Ralf Hoffmann of Luxembourg. He said that he found the fascination of go to lie in fighting and he was as good as his word in this seven-stone game.

Aged 26, Ralf won the 1997 Luxembourg Championship. Out of the Luxembourg population of 400,000 people, only about ten play go, so it's very hard to get match practice. When he really feels the urge to play, Ralf often has to make a trip to Vienna.

Kamimura Kunio 9-dan is a Kitani disciple who played in the Meijin league in 1988. His wife, the former Tsutsumi Kayoko, is a former Japanese women's amateur champion who has played in the WAGC.



Dia. 1: more aggressive

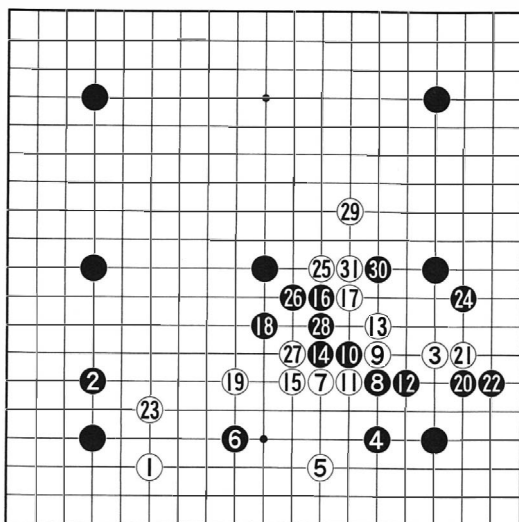
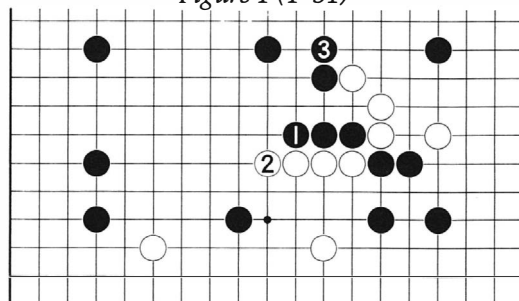


Figure 1 (1–31)



Dia. 2: correct shape

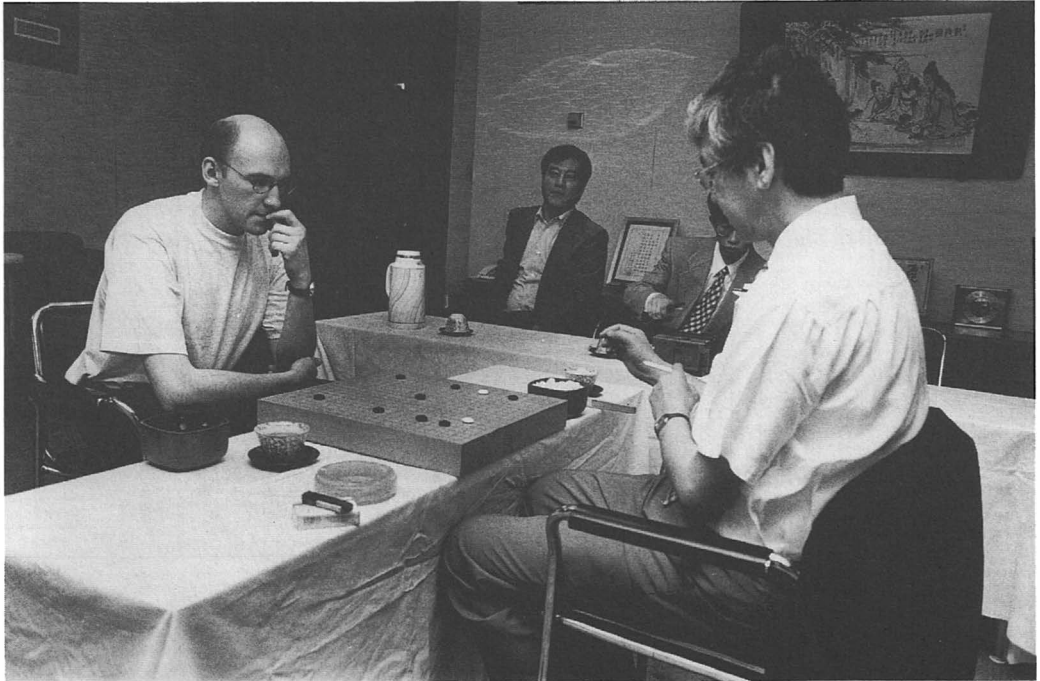
#### Figure 1 (1–31). Attacking from the start

Black played aggressively right from the start with 6, 8, and 10, but instead of 12 he could fight even more strongly with 1 and 3 in *Dia. 1*. All the ladders favour you in a seven-stone game, so that makes it easy to fight.

Black 18. Correct shape is to push along at 1 in *Dia. 2*, then to extend to 3. That would deny White the forcing moves he gets at 25 and 27.

Black 20. 'Was the aim of this move to defend the corner or to attack White?' asked Kamimura after the game. 'I intended to attack,' replied Ralf. 'The corner doesn't all become Black's territory anyway. In this position, my plan was to give White all the bottom territory and to take aim at the white group on the right side.'

It was this plan that gave birth to a move that was one of the factors in Ralf's win: Black 34 in the next figure.



The game gets under way.

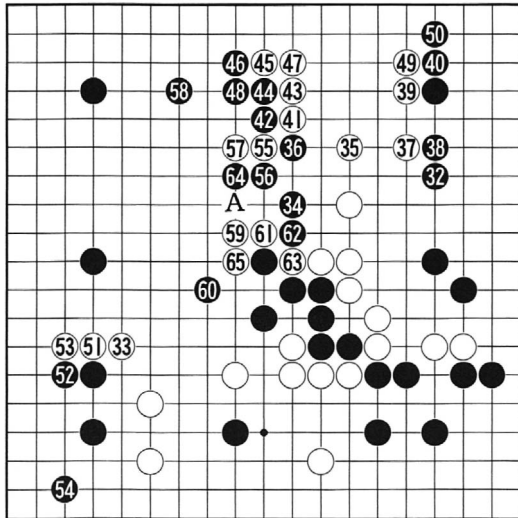


Figure 2 (32–65)

Figure 2 (32–65). Black takes control.

Kamimura muttered 'Maitta! [I'm in trouble!]' when Ralf played Black 34.

White has no choice but to thrash around with 39 and 41, though moves like these help the opponent to secure territory. Just by answering docilely, Black solidifies his right-side territory and builds centre thickness, setting up a sure win.

Kamimura: 'Black 34 is probably the winning move. Hoffmann's positive attitude is magnificent.'

Black 56 is a bad move. Correct shape is to atari at 57, then to press at A after White 56. That would keep the game simple, whereas complications arise after White 59.

The usual pattern in handicap games is for Black to build a lead in the opening only to be outplayed in the middle game and have his lead upset. At this point, this game looks as if it is following this pattern.

Figure 3 (66–96). A skilful rescue operation

White 69 attacks the centre black group on a large scale: Black is faced with a crisis.

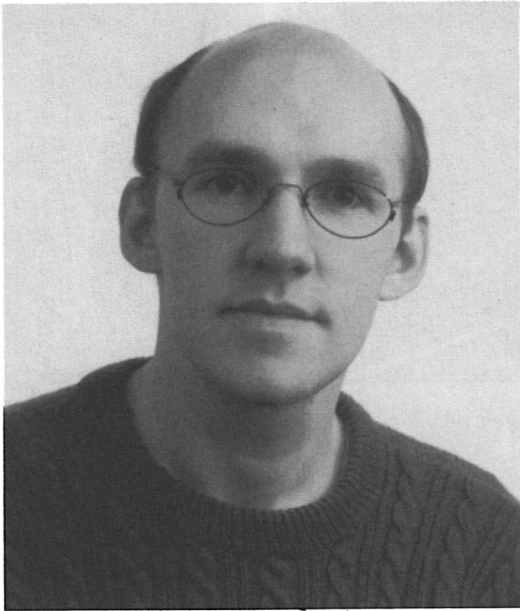
However, Black skilfully rescues his group. First, Black 74 is a good move. Cutting with 76 and 78 makes good shape. Ralf: 'I was surprised and pleased to discover Black 74.'

Kamimura: 'Black 82 and 84 are also well timed. Up to 92, Black manages to get two eyes. He has survived the crisis.'

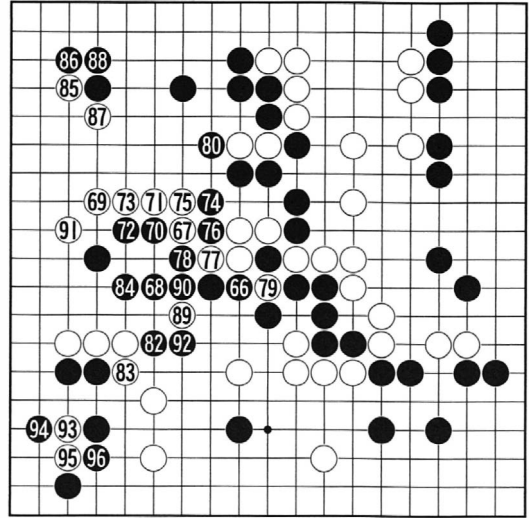
Black has so much secure territory that there is no point in White's playing on. Hoffmann won because his defence was as

good as his offence. He commented: 'Competing in the WAGC taught me that there's more to go than just attacking.' With just two wins, he took 42nd place, but as a 1-kyu he could not really expect to come much higher. This game shows that he has the potential to become much stronger.

*White resigns after Black 96.*



*Ralf Hoffmann*



*Figure 3 (66–96)*

*81: connects*



# The 1st Korea Life Insurance Cup The World Women's Amateur Baduk Championship

*by Kawamura Masako*



*Representatives of the 28 participating countries appear on the stage at the Opening Ceremony.*

A new Korean international tournament has made its debut. The 1st Korea Life Insurance Cup: The Women's World Amateur Baduk Championship was held in Seoul from August 31 to September 6, 1997, with representatives from 28 countries around the world participating. The tournament venue was the 63 Building, which is the headquarters of the Korea Life Insurance company and the tallest building in Korea. The inaugural tournament was a great success and promises to become a highlight of the international go scene.

### ***Magnificent organization***

Greeted by the late summer heat of

Seoul, the players arrived at the Seoul Tower Hotel, a five-star hotel next to the quiet Southern Mountain Park, on August 31. The next day, recovered from the fatigue of their journeys, they played a friendship match with local VIPs (including a former Prime Minister, the Mayor of Seoul, the President of Seoul University, and the Vice President of Korea Life Insurance) and attended a welcome party.

The Welcome Party followed the tradition of the Yokohama Sotetsu Cup, with the players appearing in national costume, and it got the tournament off to a spectacular start. An innovation that added to the drama, however, was a prize of \$1,000 for



*The top four places were taken by teenagers: (L to R) Do (Korea), 1st; Chikchina (Russia), 3rd; Hai (China), 2nd; Koszegi (Hungary), 4th.*

the Best Dresser; it was won by Maria Jesus Rodriguez of Spain, who wore a flamenco costume.

For the tournament, there was also a Best Manners Prize of \$1,000, the recipient being chosen by a vote by the referees and players.



*Mariajesus Rodriguez of Spain wins the Best Dresser prize.*

There was also a distinctive Korean touch in the tournament system, which consisted of a six-round league (Swiss system) over three days, followed by a knockout tournament to decide the top four places. That meant that all the players except for the top four went sightseeing on the fourth day.

There were lavish cash prizes for the top eight place-getters, a contrast to Japanese-run amateur tournaments, though prizes are common in Western tournaments. The prizes were:

- 1st: \$5,000
- 2nd: \$3,000
- 3rd: \$2,000
- 4th: \$1,000
- 5th–8th: \$500.

Game recorders and timekeepers were assigned to all games, and on the final day magnificent binders with all the game records of the tournament were given to all the players.

In all respects, the tournament was well organized and ran smoothly. There were English, Japanese and Chinese interpreters; lunch offered a choice among Japanese, Chinese, and Korean cuisine; there was a bus shuttle service between the hotel and the tournament venue; sightseeing was laid on.

The Korean Economic Newspaper and the KBS television station, who were among the sponsors, devoted a lot of attention to the tournament. Photos of the goodwill match were featured on the front page of the next morning's newspaper, copies of which were distributed to all the guests at the welcome party just a few hours after the match itself. This must be some kind of speed record for coverage of a go event. The TV station presented Korea-wide live coverage of the tournament every day, featuring KBS's exclusive game commentator Loh Yong-ha 8-dan, with the younger sister of Ryu Shikun Tengen acting as his assistant.

#### *Magnificent young players from Europe*

It was good to see that nine of the 28 players, almost one third, were in their teens. Especially worthy of note was the re-

markable progress that has been made by young European players.

The players who made the best four were, unexpectedly, all teenagers: Korea, aged 13; China, aged 19; Russia, aged 17; and Hungary, aged 14.

Personally, I had had high hopes of Yamashita Chifumi of Japan, but unfortunately she lost to Do of Korea in the fourth round and Hai of China in the sixth. Chikchina Svetlana of Russia, who lost to Yamashita, defeated China and also spoiled the till-then perfect record of Korea. When Diana Koszegi of Hungary lost to Korea, there were no players left with perfect records, so the four players with just one loss advanced to the deciding tournament.

The close competition among these top players added drama to the tournament. It was magnificent. It seems that Do was just a little stronger than the others.

The winner, Do Eun Kyo 5-dan of Korea, did well in the Japan–China–Korea Youth Matches broadcast on satellite television in Japan in August this year. She is just a sixth-grader, very fond of stuffed toys. She is the youngest of three sisters and learned go three years ago from her 3-dan father; she says that she passed him at the end of last year. At present, she is an insei (she is in the 4th–5th group of the ten mixed male–female groups) and her ambition is to become a professional. Her disposition is quiet, but she hates to lose; her hobbies are playing the piano and swimming, and her favourite subjects are mathematics and composition. (The top-ranked woman player in Korea is professional 2-dan; every year two new women become professionals and the total number is 17).

The runner-up, Hai Yanan 6-dan of China, had a winning game against Do in the fifth round, but slipped up and lost by 1½ points. She is a cheerful young lady who wants to enjoy go as an amateur. Her hobby is running, and she can do 5 kilometers in 20 minutes; she won a race in Beijing that had 200 entrants.

The third place-getter, Chikchina Svetlana 5-dan of Russia, who scored the impressive win over Do, is well known to Japanese



*Corina Tarina of Romania  
wins the Best Manners prize.*

fans, as she has come to Japan three times to appear in the Yokohama Sotetsu Cup and the World Amateur Pair Go Championship. At present, she is living in Korea to study go (she had already been there for six months before the tournament at the invitation of the president of the Korean Professional Go Players Association Chong Bun-jyo 7-dan. She is hoping to become a professional. She is the oldest of three children and has been playing go for seven years. Her father is a go teacher in Kazan. She prefers playing go to anything else. She must have a very strong core, unimaginable from her gentle, quiet appearance.

Diana Koszegi 4-dan of Hungary, who came fourth, learnt go from her 2-dan father, who works in a bank; she has been playing go for five years. She wore a sweater with the character for go on it, knitted, she said, by her mother; her older brother, aged 18, with whom she is good friends, accompanied her on the trip. She is fond of sports such as soccer, roller-skating, running, and swimming. Her ambition is to become a professional, and she likes the games of Shusaku and Kato Masao — she's a most formidable young player! She would like to

study in Japan as a live-in disciple. The players who want to become professionals — Do, Chikchina, and Diana — are equal in fighting spirit, but many people thought that the one with the most professional aptitude was Diana. I hope that her dream of studying in Japan will come true.

#### *The world is one*

The bonds with friends forged through go are more marvellous than anything. I always feel really moved when I have reunions with friends I met at the World Amateur Go Championship, the Sotetsu Cup, the Pair tournament, or at the American and European go congresses. In Seoul there were eight players who had participated in the European Go Congress at Marseilles this year. In *Go Weekly* I had written about one stalwart player who came from Switzerland to Marseilles by bicycle, and I was astonished to find that she was the Swiss representative in Seoul, Ursula Dumermuth 3-kyu (age 25). She is cheerful and active and was popular with everyone.

All games were played on even. Katarzyna Koenig 1-dan of Poland, a special-education teacher whom everyone called Kasha, and Monique Berreby 1-dan of France, a social worker, both played splendidly to score a win each against Debbie Siemon 3-dan of America, who came 7th.

The Prize for Best Manners went to Corina Tarina 1-dan of Romania, a biologist.

There was a playing room in the hotel and it was thronged with people until late every night. On the last night, a party was held in which everyone brought something to eat or drink. Everyone talked and sang until late at night and said their farewells.

Major contributions were made by Yun Ki-hyun 9-dan and Mr. Kang of the Korean Ki-in, who went to great trouble to look after the players, by Alan Held of the IGF, who took the players out on the town, and by Oeda Yusuke 9-dan and Ito Makoto of the Nihon Ki-in.

It is my fervent wish that the Ki-ins of Japan and Korea will do all they can to popularize this splendid cultural pursuit of go even more among women.

## Playoff to decide 3rd place

**White:** Diana Koszegi (Hungary)  
**Black:** Chikchina Svetlana (Russia)  
 Komi: 5½  
 Commentary by Furuyama Kazunari.

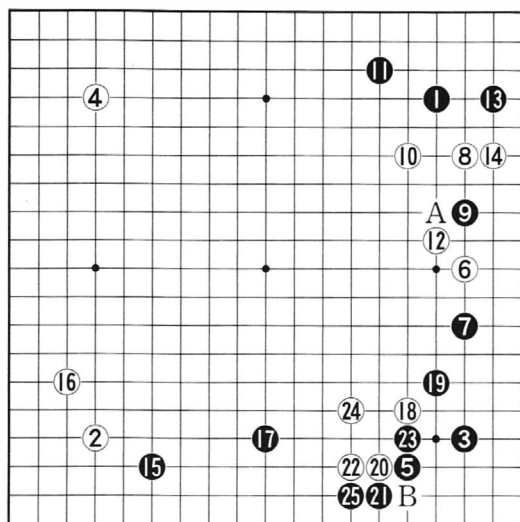


Figure 1 (1-30)

### Figure 1 (1-30). Sabaki mistakes

The sequence from White 6 to Black 13 is a joseki, but White 14 goes off the rails. White should play at A to eliminate the threat of Black A (which later materializes).

When Black sets up a moyo at the bottom with 17, White sets about erasing it immediately with 18, though she could take a large fuseki point at the top instead. White 18 and 20 are fine moves, but 22 is questionable. This move is heavy and just creates a convenient target for Black to attack. Instead, the standard *sabaki* tesuji is the crosscut of B; however Black responds, White will be able to settle herself lightly while checking the growth of Black's moyo here.

But Black returns the courtesy with a mistake of her own. The timing of 23 is wrong: Black should crawl at 25 first. That means that if White played 24 at 25, she would have the cut of B to help her settle her group.

When Black takes 25, she can be satisfied with the result, as she can still aim at attack-

ing the whole white group.

### Figure 2 (26-50). Helping the opponent

Black and White both take large fuseki points with 31 and 32. Next, Black could enlarge her moyo at the top with A, which would also aim at Black B.

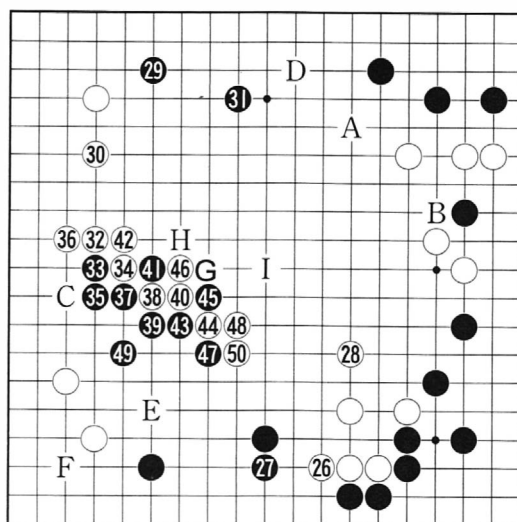


Figure 2 (26-50)

Instead, Black invades the white moyo on the left side with 33, but this is dubious. As an invasion, Black C is preferable. After the continuation of White 34 to Black 37 in the figure, White should play 41; that would leave Black with a heavy group while White is building thickness toward the center, which in turn will affect the black moyo at the top — that is why Black 33 was bad.

However, White makes mistakes with 38 and 40. First, 38 lets Black make good shape with 39, which should be followed by White 41 and Black 49. Instead of 38, White should extend with White 41; with this thickness to back it up, a white invasion at D would have a severe impact on Black 29 and 31.

White 40 is an error; if Black used 41 to cut at 42, connecting at 41 would give White bad shape. Therefore, White 40 should be at 41.

Black 41 helps her opponent out, declining to take advantage of her error. As mentioned above, cutting at 42 would spoil

White's shape.

Black 47 is a crude move: it is better to omit it and defend at 49 immediately. If Black does this, White may well extend to 47, followed by Black E. That would leave White with two vulnerable exposed points: Black F and Black G–White H–Black I. Either of these would be a severe blow to White. In this fight, White 44 and White 47 would be weaker than White 48 and 50 in the game. After White 50, Black has a hard time making use of her stone at 45; generally speaking, playing unnecessary ataris is bad style.

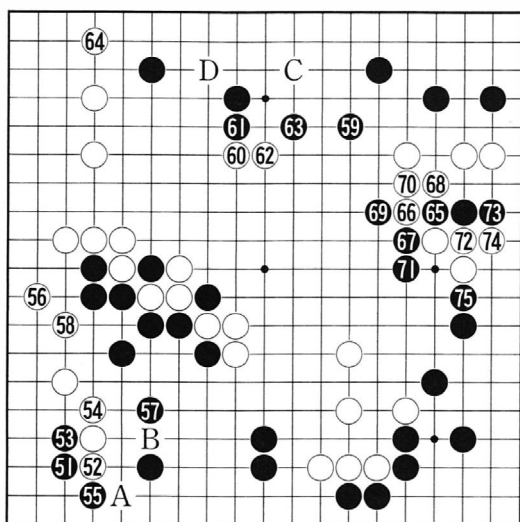


Figure 3 (51–75)

**Figure 3 (51–75).** *White misses her chance to complicate the game.*

The reason why Black ataried at 47 in the previous figure may have been because she wanted to attack White's corner by invading at 51. However, White has strong counters. After Black 55, White could block at A in sente and then attach at B in an attempt to surround the black group above. The follow-up variations are complicated, but this fight should be scary for Black.

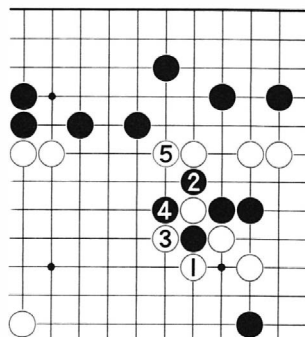
Up to White 58, the skirmish here ends quietly, and the shape is settled. Since Black connects safely with 57, Black now has the lead, but the margin is not very wide, so White still has a chance to catch up.

Black 59 is big. White 60 and 62 are not good, as they help Black solidify her terri-

tory at the top. White can aim at invasion points such as C and D, so it is better to play 64 immediately, omitting 60 and 62.

A far more serious mistake is White 68, which becomes the losing move. Up to 75, Black conjures up thickness out of thin air; Black forces White into bad shape with 70 and gets a beautiful squeeze in sente. At this point, the game is over.

Instead of 68, White should atari at 1 in *Dia. 1*; after Black 4, White extends at 5. This leads to a complicated fight, but White is behind anyway, so she has to fight strongly if she is to have any chance of staging an upset. In other words, White should welcome this fight; Black is the one who will be apprehensive. This conclusion further implies that since Black had the lead, she shouldn't have tried 65 and 67.



*Dia. 1*



*An informal farewell party held by the participants after the Closing Ceremony.*

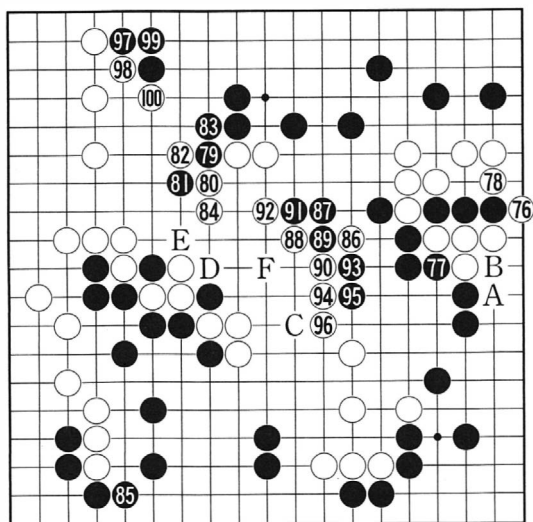


Figure 4 (76-100)

**Figure 4 (76-100). Center territory not enough**

White 78 should be at A, reducing Black's territory a little. Black should immediately punish White for her omission with an atari at B. Strangely, Black never plays this atari, even though it is her privilege.

Surprisingly, after all the thickness Black builds in the fight on the right side, a rather large white territory emerges in the center up to White 96. Instead of 79, Black should make the most of her thickness by attacking the white group on the bottom right. For example, if Black were to attack with 79 at 94, White would have to link up with a move such as C, followed by Black D, White E, and Black F. The result would be that White would have no prospect of getting center territory as in the game. Moreover, White's group would still be in danger after Black F.

Unfortunately for White, the large territory she does manage to secure in the center is unavailing — Black takes a big point at 85, which is worth more than 20 points. Combined with her enormous profit on the right side, this ensures a lead of more than 25 points.

**Figure 5 (100-117). Seeking a place to resign?**

White 4 should be at 5, but perhaps White knowingly makes this mistake out of the realization that she can't upset Black's group and needs to set the scene for resign-

ing.

One can only repeat what a pity it was that White missed her chance to initiate a big fight by playing 68 at 71 in Figure 3. That would have made the game an exciting one.

*White resigns after Black 117.*

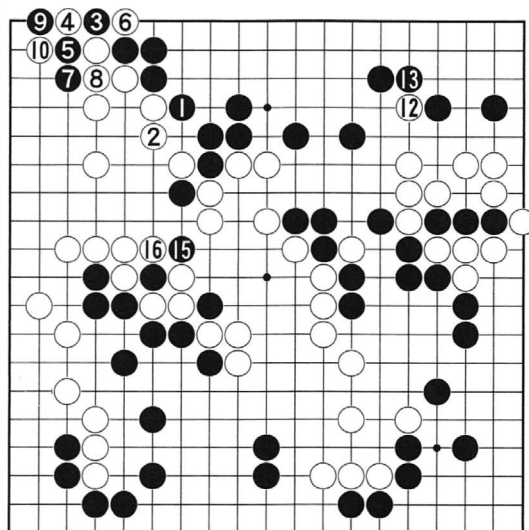


Figure 5 (101-117)

11: ko (at 3); 14: ko (at 4); 17: ko (at 3)

**Final**

**White:** Hai Yanan (China)

**Black:** Do Eun Kyo (Korea)

219 moves. White resigns.

*Commentary by Haruyama Isamu 9-dan.*

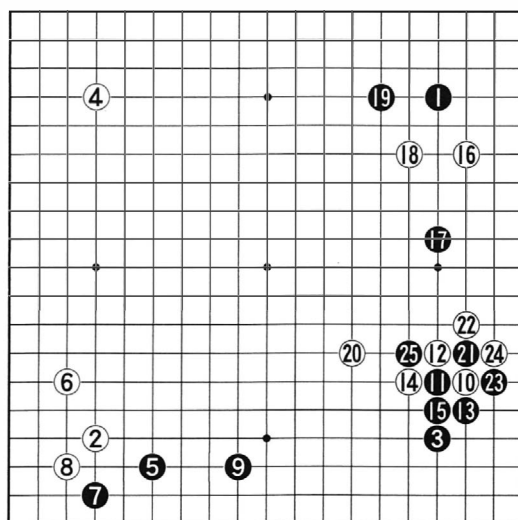


Figure 1 (1-25)

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The game is caught up in fierce fighting right from the start.

**Figure 2 (26-50)**

Black resorts to brute force to block White's way out with 35 and 37, but White more than holds her own, playing some masterly tesujis.

Black's strong point here is that she can force with 47 to 51 in Figure 3.

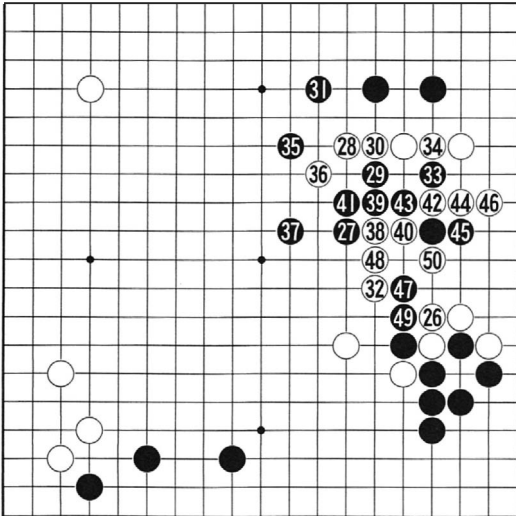


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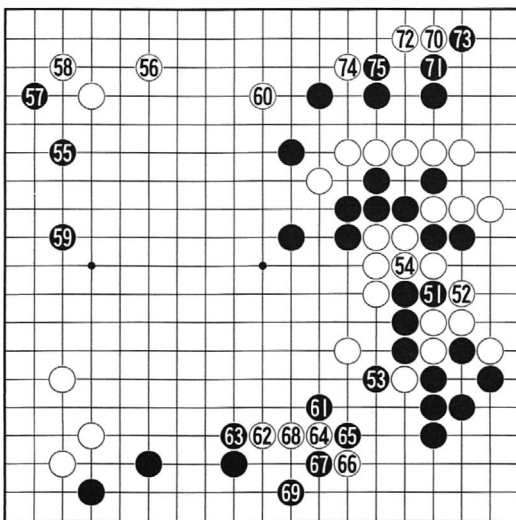


Figure 3 (51-75)

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However, White secures quite good territory up to 54, so she seems to have had the better of the fight.

Just from the right-side fighting, you can judge the strength of the players: they are both playing professional lines. They are strong. This doesn't feel like an amateur game.

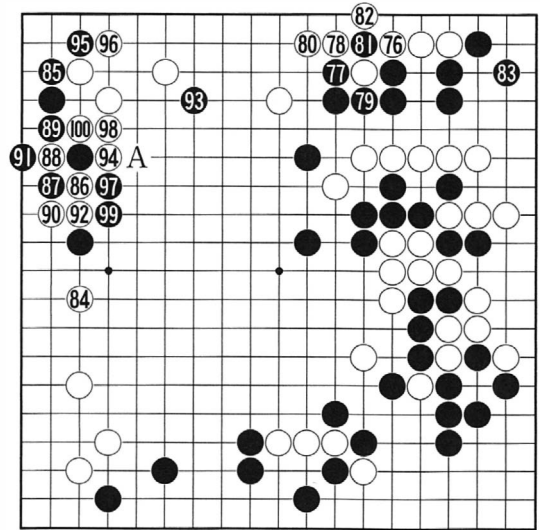


Figure 4 (76-100)

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Black 93 is dubious — shouldn't Black just jump out in leisurely fashion with A instead? When White blocks at 94, there are worries for Black, as she has an eyeless group on the right.



The author (extreme left) with Miss Do (centre)



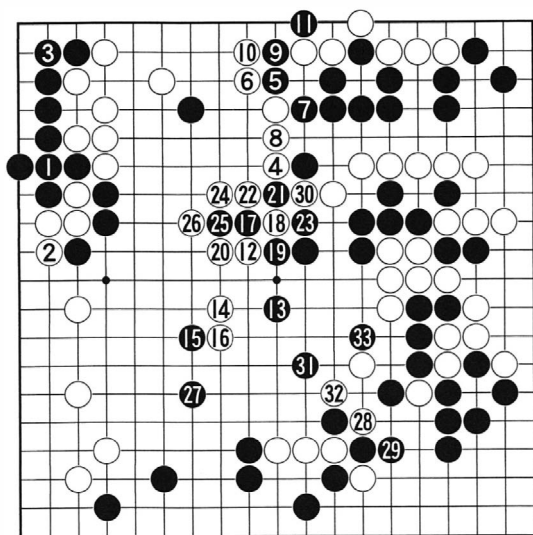


Figure 5 (101–133)

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Black 5 is a good riposte to White 4. However, White sacrifices the top group and expands her centre with 12 and 14. This shows superb judgement; White is clearly in the lead.

At this point, Black plays a really courageous move with 15. Her powerful *sabaki* from 17 on is astonishing. Perhaps overawed by her fighting spirit, White rapidly backs away from the fight.

White 30 is perhaps an overplay: it's like

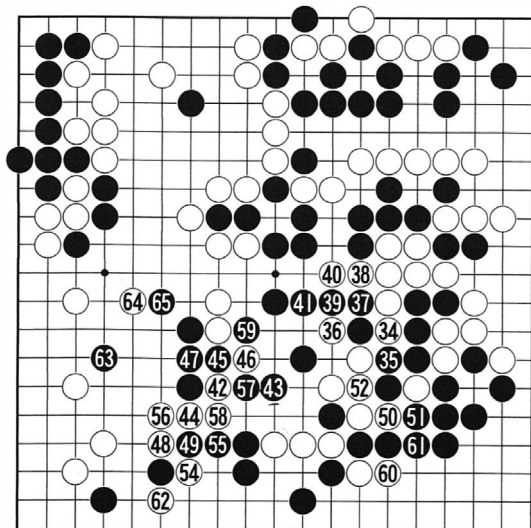


Figure 6 (134–165)  
53: connects

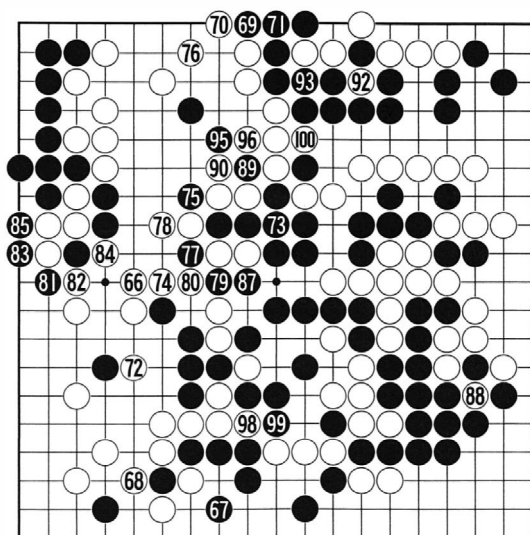


Figure 7 (166–200)  
86: connects; ko: 91, 94, 97

passing for a move. White's centre position slips out of her control after Black's successive moves at 31 and 33.

**Figures 6, 7, 8**

What a high-level final! Players like these two present a formidable challenge to other countries.

*White resigns after Black 219.*

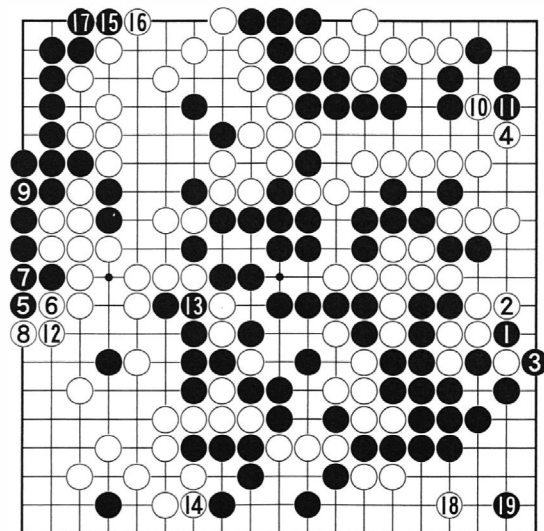


Figure 8 (201–219)

(Photos by Kawamura Masako)

**1st Korea Life Insurance Cup:World Women's Amateur Go Championship (Seoul 1997)**

Place	Name	1	2	3	4	5	6	SOS
1	Do Eun Kyo (Korea)	1 <sup>6</sup>	2 <sup>4</sup>	3 <sup>12</sup>	4 <sup>5</sup>	5 <sup>2</sup>	5 <sup>3</sup>	26
2	Hai Yanan (China)	1 <sup>15</sup>	2 <sup>10</sup>	3 <sup>11</sup>	4 <sup>13</sup>	4 <sup>1</sup>	5 <sup>5</sup>	21
3	Svetlana Chikchina (Russia)	1 <sup>8</sup>	1 <sup>5</sup>	2 <sup>22</sup>	3 <sup>21</sup>	4 <sup>6</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup>	21
4	Diana Koszegi (Hungary)	1 <sup>24</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>23</sup>	3 <sup>20</sup>	4 <sup>9</sup>	5 <sup>10</sup>	18
5	Yamashita Chifumi (Japan)	1 <sup>20</sup>	2 <sup>3</sup>	3 <sup>13</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup>	4 <sup>10</sup>	4 <sup>2</sup>	23
6	Stella Chang (Canada)	0 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>24</sup>	2 <sup>26</sup>	3 <sup>12</sup>	3 <sup>3</sup>	4 <sup>11</sup>	19
7	Debbie Siemon (U.S.A.)	1 <sup>25</sup>	1 <sup>11</sup>	2 <sup>14</sup>	2 <sup>9</sup>	3 <sup>15</sup>	4 <sup>12</sup>	18
8	Martina Simunkova (Czech)	0 <sup>3</sup>	0 <sup>20</sup>	1 <sup>25</sup>	2 <sup>18</sup>	3 <sup>21</sup>	4 <sup>17</sup>	17
9	Katarzyna Koenig (Poland)	1 <sup>28</sup>	2 <sup>26</sup>	2 <sup>10</sup>	3 <sup>7</sup>	3 <sup>4</sup>	4 <sup>14</sup>	16
10	Hwang Pey Ru (Taiwan)	1 <sup>14</sup>	1 <sup>2</sup>	2 <sup>9</sup>	3 <sup>11</sup>	3 <sup>5</sup>	3 <sup>4</sup>	24
11	Monique Berreby (France)	1 <sup>22</sup>	2 <sup>7</sup>	2 <sup>2</sup>	2 <sup>10</sup>	3 <sup>13</sup>	3 <sup>6</sup>	21
12	Tan Qin Yu (Singapore)	1 <sup>16</sup>	2 <sup>23</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>6</sup>	3 <sup>20</sup>	3 <sup>7</sup>	20
13	Ursula Harbrecht (Germany)	1 <sup>21</sup>	2 <sup>17</sup>	2 <sup>5</sup>	2 <sup>2</sup>	2 <sup>11</sup>	3 <sup>20</sup>	19
14	Claude Burvenich (Belgium)	0 <sup>10</sup>	1 <sup>15</sup>	1 <sup>7</sup>	2 <sup>23</sup>	3 <sup>22</sup>	3 <sup>9</sup>	18
15	M. Rodriguez (Spain)	0 <sup>2</sup>	0 <sup>14</sup>	1 <sup>27</sup>	2 <sup>16</sup>	2 <sup>7</sup>	3 <sup>21</sup>	18
16	Agnese Bernane (Latvia)	0 <sup>12</sup>	1 <sup>18</sup>	1 <sup>21</sup>	1 <sup>15</sup>	2 <sup>25</sup>	3 <sup>22</sup>	15
17	Michelle Kim (Hong Kong)	1 <sup>19</sup>	1 <sup>13</sup>	1 <sup>20</sup>	2 <sup>26</sup>	3 <sup>23</sup>	3 <sup>8</sup>	15
18	Kirsty Healey (U.K.)	0 <sup>23</sup>	0 <sup>16</sup>	1 <sup>19</sup>	1 <sup>8</sup>	2 <sup>28</sup>	3 <sup>24</sup>	14
19	Cecilie Irgins (Norway)	0 <sup>17</sup>	0 <sup>21</sup>	0 <sup>18</sup>	1 <sup>28</sup>	2 <sup>27</sup>	3 <sup>26</sup>	10
20	Corina Tarina (Romania)	0 <sup>5</sup>	1 <sup>8</sup>	2 <sup>17</sup>	2 <sup>4</sup>	2 <sup>12</sup>	2 <sup>13</sup>	22
21	Vida Hernaus (Slovenia)	0 <sup>13</sup>	1 <sup>19</sup>	2 <sup>16</sup>	2 <sup>3</sup>	2 <sup>8</sup>	2 <sup>15</sup>	21
22	Els Buntsma (Netherlands)	0 <sup>11</sup>	1 <sup>25</sup>	1 <sup>3</sup>	2 <sup>24</sup>	2 <sup>14</sup>	2 <sup>16</sup>	18
23	E. Gorbunova (Ukraine)	1 <sup>18</sup>	1 <sup>12</sup>	1 <sup>4</sup>	1 <sup>14</sup>	1 <sup>17</sup>	2 <sup>27</sup>	18
24	Ursula Dumermuth (Swiss.)	0 <sup>4</sup>	0 <sup>6</sup>	1 <sup>28</sup>	1 <sup>22</sup>	2 <sup>26</sup>	2 <sup>18</sup>	15
25	Sari Kohonen (Finland)	0 <sup>7</sup>	0 <sup>22</sup>	0 <sup>8</sup>	1 <sup>27</sup>	1 <sup>16</sup>	2 <sup>28</sup>	14
26	Linda Poletti (Italy)	1 <sup>27</sup>	1 <sup>9</sup>	1 <sup>6</sup>	1 <sup>17</sup>	1 <sup>24</sup>	1 <sup>19</sup>	17
27	Tracey Nguyen (Australia)	0 <sup>26</sup>	1 <sup>28</sup>	1 <sup>15</sup>	1 <sup>25</sup>	1 <sup>19</sup>	1 <sup>23</sup>	11
28	Kerstin Andersson (Sweden)	0 <sup>9</sup>	0 <sup>27</sup>	0 <sup>24</sup>	0 <sup>19</sup>	0 <sup>18</sup>	0 <sup>25</sup>	15

# Drunk on the Mistral

## The 41st European Go Congress

*Report by Kawamura Masako*

*The stage for this year's European Go Congress was the Luminy University in Marseilles, famous for mathematics, in the south of France. It was held for 15 days from July 19 to August 2, with an unprecedented total of 826 people from 33 countries in attendance (including 304 from France, 90 from Germany, 80 from Holland, 77 from Romania, and 41 from Japan). Below is my report on what was a very exciting congress.*

### ***Beautiful inlets***

By plane, Marseilles is one hour 15 minutes from Paris; by TGV, the world's fastest train, which is quiet and comfortable, it is four hours. With a population of 800,000, it is France's third-largest city. It is an ancient, hilly harbour town with a distinctive atmosphere. The people are kind and down-to-earth. The luxuriant fruits and authentic bouillabaisse are something special.

The rays of the sun are very strong during the daytime, but in the morning and evening it's chilly. In summer it's light until about 9:30. Because of the dry weather and the mistral, fires are common.

Aix-en-Provence, Arles and Avignon are 30 minutes to an hour away; the Côte d'Azur, with Cannes, Nice, and Monaco, is two or three hours away, so Marseilles is very convenient for sightseeing. If you cross Mt. Puget, made of white coal rock, in front of the university, you find the harbour town of Cassis, famous for its delicious wine, and a series of beautiful inlets where you can swim in a sea that looks as if it will dye you emerald.

Many people brought their families and came by car. One stalwart participant cycled all the way from Switzerland and Carmen Mateescu of Romania, an English teacher,



*Heads down for some serious go in the main tournament*



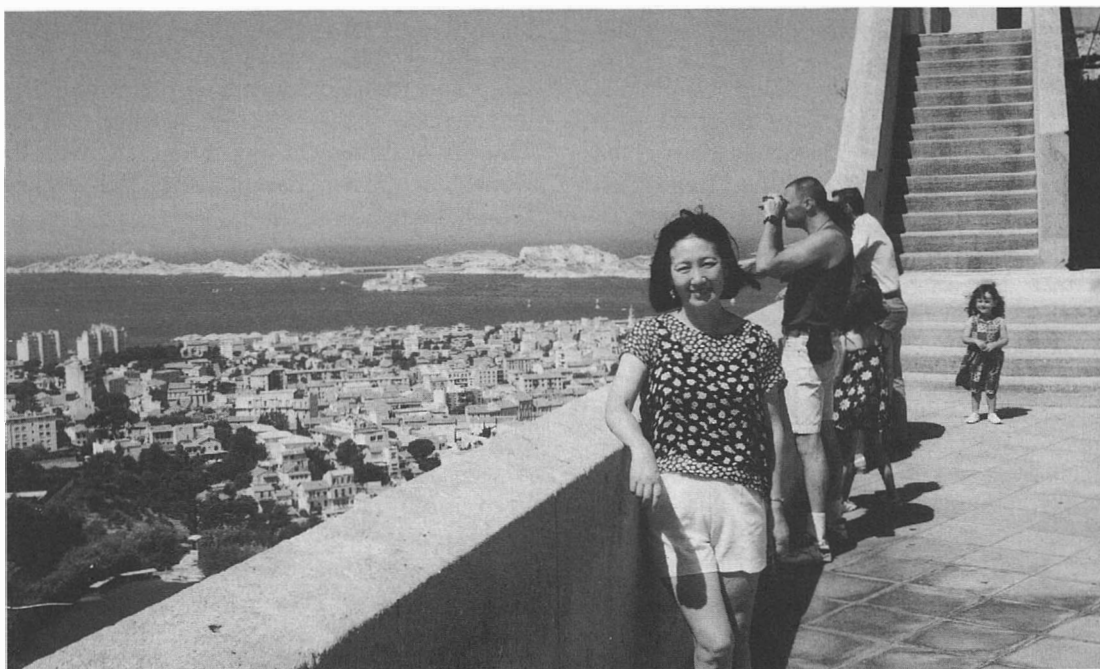
*One of the beautiful bays near Marseilles*

once again brought a group of 24 children from Romania by bus. Accommodation was the student dormitories, the town hotels, apartments, and so on.

As you might expect from France, the meals were cheap and delicious and popular with everyone.



*Playing on the roof of the café terrace*



*The author poses at Notre Dame de la Garde Monastery against the backdrop of the city and the bay.*

***French-style management***

Besides the main tournament (ten rounds), there were pair go and three-player team go on the sightseeing days of Wednes-

day, Saturday and Sunday; there were a weekend tournament, a 13x13 team go tournament for four-player teams, 9x9 go, blitz or lightning go, poker, computer go,



*Saijo Masataka 8-dan (centre) was very popular with the congress participants. He was ready to teach anywhere, anytime.*

professional teaching games, public commentaries using large boards, and many other events. They continued until one o'clock at night as if this were the most ordinary thing in the world. Details were given in the Congress News (published five times, ten francs), but notices would also be suddenly plastered up about newly organized events.

I heard that there was a team of 50 people running the tournament, but no one knew anything apart from what he was directly responsible for; no one knew what the other organizers were responsible for, either, which created a few problems. Perhaps this dislike of coercion and anything stereotyped was French-style management.

#### *Catering for kyu players too*

Professionals bands and singers performed on the café terrace in the evening; some people danced, others played go impervious to the terrible din — no one went to bed before five o'clock in the morning.

The people at the congress ranged from a 15-day-old baby to septuagenarians and from 7-dan to 30-kyu. Everyone had a great time. I thought that we Japanese really had a lot to learn from this kind of event at which all the players enjoyed themselves to the full and, in particular, where kyu players, who made up three quarters of the attendance, could have such a good time.

Monique Berreby, who has come to Japan for the world women's amateur championship and the pair tournament, is a native of Marseilles; she is a social worker and the mother of twins. On top of that, she won the French women's championship this year — you have to admire her.

'I like everything about Marseilles, the good points and the bad points. I especially like the sea and the sun and the mistral, which does such funny things to people's brains,' she commented.

It was a real thrill for me to hear at first hand the special feeling the people of Provence have for the mistral.

I think that it would still be very difficult to take a two-week holiday in Japan, but I promise you that if you once take part in a European go congress you'll become addicted. I would really like to see young Japanese families take part.

Finally, I would like to express my gratitude to F. Bizard, president of the French Go Federation, for his extraordinary efforts in organizing the tournament.

*(Go Weekly, August 25, 1997)*

*(Photos by Kawamura Masako)*



*Monique Berreby*

## The 8th International Amateur Pair Go Championship



*The Hungarian team, Gabor Szabics and Diana Koszegi,  
make the pledge of fair play on behalf of the contestants.*

The pair go boom continues unabated. The 8th International Amateur Pair Go Championship was held at the Hotel Edmont in Iidabashi, Tokyo, on 23 and 24 November 1997 with a new record of 19 countries participating (18 overseas teams and 14 Japanese teams). This year teams from Argentina and Oceania (New Zealand) made their debut in the tournament.

1997 was a year of expansion for pair go. The first European Pair Go Championship was held, the annual pair go tournament held at the American Go Congress expanded greatly, and the first professional pair-go tournament was held in Korea (Lee Changho was a member of the winning pair).

Not only is this new form of go spreading to more countries around the world, it's also

becoming more and more popular within Japan, with 450 players, another new record, participating in the four handicap tournaments held at the same time as the international tournament. One of the most encouraging features of this tournament is that the percentage of young participants is much higher than in most Japanese amateur tournaments. Add to that the obvious stimulus being giving to female participation and you can see that pair go is playing a major role in promoting the world's top board game.

Last year Japanese teams dominated the international pair go tournament, but this year the visitors made a comeback. Victory went to the team from Chinese Taipei, who thus scored the first-ever win by their country in an international amateur tournament.



*The Main Tournament*

Second and fourth places were taken by Japanese teams, but third place went to the Korean team.

The top place-getters were:

1. Chen Shu-chin and Huang Hsiang-jen (Chinese Taipei)
2. Fu Kobai and Sato Kuniki (Japan)
3. Lee Min-jin and Lee Hak Yong (Korea)



*The Dutch team of René Fréhé and Rob Kok.*



4. Takanashi Shoko and Nagai Masayoshi (Japan).
5. Zhu Wenxin and Jin Tongshi (China)
6. Kawamura Yoko and Kawamura Fumitaka (Japan)
7. Nishikawa Akiko and Imabun Yoshiyuki (Japan)
8. Diana Koszegi and Gabor Szabics (Hungary)

Teams that are liminated in the first round of the main tournament move into the Special Handicap Tournament. This year foreign teams did well here, with the the US team of Polly Pohl and Ted Ning winning and the Canadian team of Katherine Whang and Joe Whang coming second.

### The Final Chinese Taipei vs. Japan

The final matched four very strong players. Cheng Shu-chin has studied as an insei at the Nihon Ki-in and her three older brothers are all professionals: O Meien 9-dan, Tei Meiko 9-dan, and Tei Meiki 7-dan. Cheng took 6th place in the 1996 World Women's Amateur Go Championship. Her partner, Huang Hsiang-jen, took 6th place in the 1996 WAGC.

Cheng and Huang were obviously a formidable pair, but their opponents in the final had good credentials too. Fu Kobai won the 1996 Japanese women's amateur championship and her partner, Sato Kuniki, has taken 3rd place in the Amateur Honinbo tournament.

Below is a very brief commentary on their game.

**White:** Fu Kobai, Sato Kuniki (Japan)  
**Black:** Cheng Shu-chin, Huang (Ch. Taipei)  
 Komi: 5½. Played on 24 November 1997.

#### Figure 1 (1-58)

White 42. White should secure the corner territory with A. Black 43 is a well-timed invasion.

Black 49. Black could live by playing Black 52, but instead Black chooses a ko. This is a high-level strategy. Finishing off the ko with Black 57 is big.

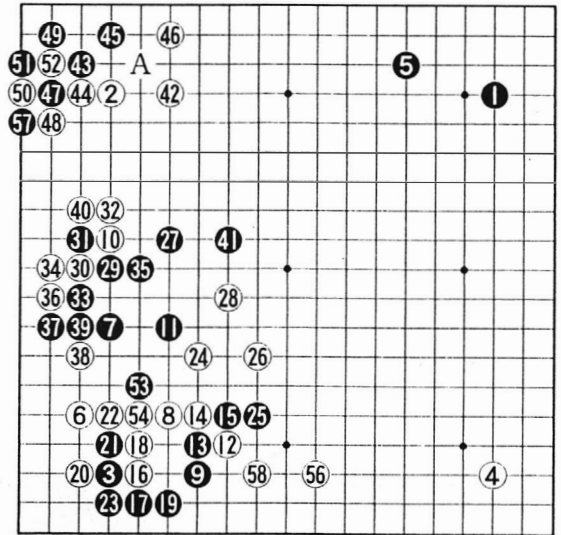


Figure 1 (1-58)  
55: ko

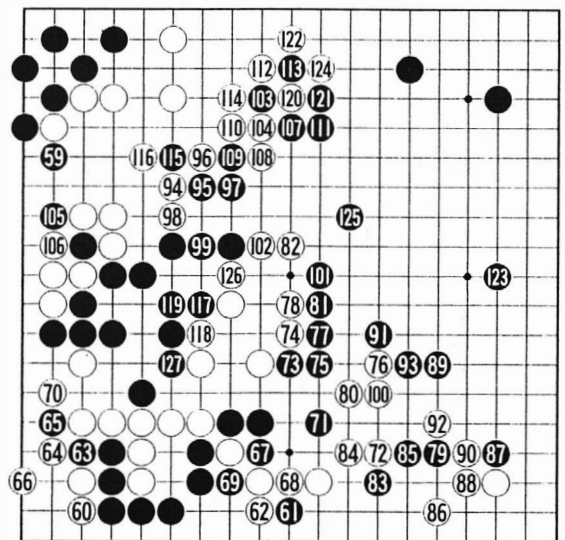


Figure 2 (59-127)

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Black plays 63 and 65 before linking up with 67 in order to take sente.

Black 79 is an overplay. When Black's stones are captured up to 92, White overturns the lead Black took in Figure 1.

White 122 is too persistent; playing at White 123 on the right side instead would secure a win.

**Figure 3 (128–171)**

White 34. Poking one's head out with White 53 would be good enough. All the stones White plays on the top right side are captured, so the lead is turned around again.

The cut of Black 59 is a clever move.

White resigns after Black 171.

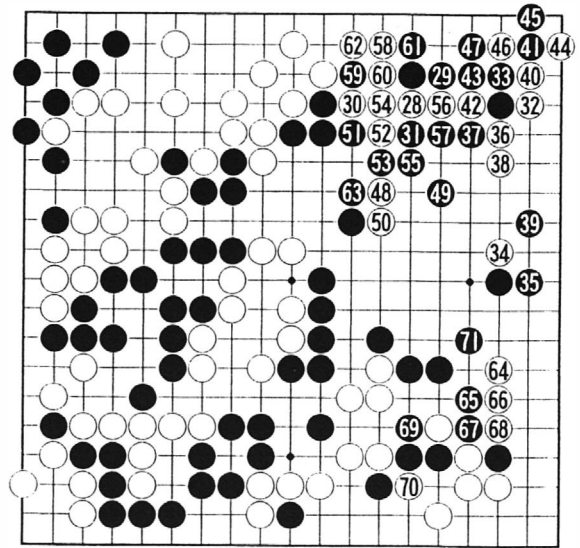


Figure 3 (128–171)



Another scene from the tournament

# The 3rd FOST Cup

## The World Open Computer Go Championship

*Based on an article by Kawamura Masako*



*The participants in the 3rd FOST Cup*

### The world's biggest computer-go tournament

The 3rd FOST Cup was held at the Nagoya International Conference Hall on 27 and 28 August 1997. With the recent victory by a chess-playing program over the world champion, go remains as the final challenge for the computer. This year's FOST cup showed that, while human players are not going to be dethroned anytime soon, the computer is making steady inroads into man's domain.

The Cup was held as one of the official events of the 15th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI), which ran from 23 to 29 August. This meant that extra sponsorship became available for the Cup, so part of the travel and accommodation expenses of overseas participants was subsidized. As a result, a record number of 38 programs, originating from nine different countries, took part, compared to 13 programs (5 countries) and 19 programs (8 countries) in the 1st and 2nd Cups, respec-

tively. This year's total is probably a record for a computer-go tournament.

With so many entrants, there were of course many new faces at the tournament, but perhaps the most surprising was Tei Meiko 9-dan, the only professional go player to enter. Tei had come along to spectate at last year's FOST Cup and had found it so interesting that he had started out from scratch to study programming and write his own program. As his first program, he called it *Wakaba* or 'young leaves'. Playing in Group C, it scored four wins out of a possible ten. Tei was satisfied, as he had been afraid it mightn't win any games. Tei confesses that his program is weak at the middle game, but the chief referee, Kojima Takaho 9-dan, praised it for its mastery of good shape. Tei predicted that he will make amateur 1-dan before the century is over.

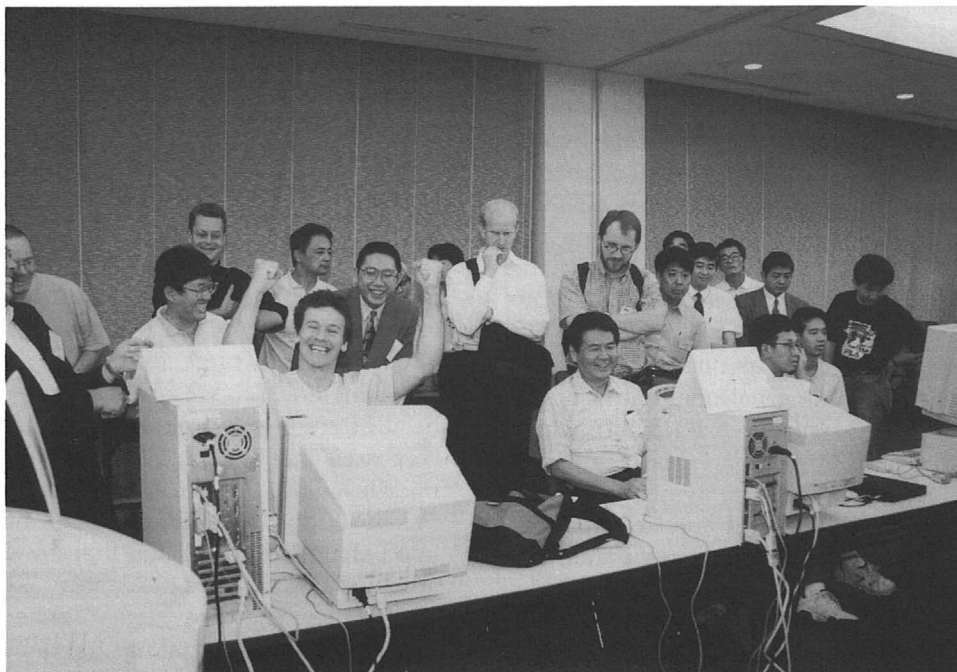
Another notable entry was Janusz Kraszek, who was making his debut in the FOST Cup. Actually, Kraszek is an old hand at computer go and in 1988 his program,



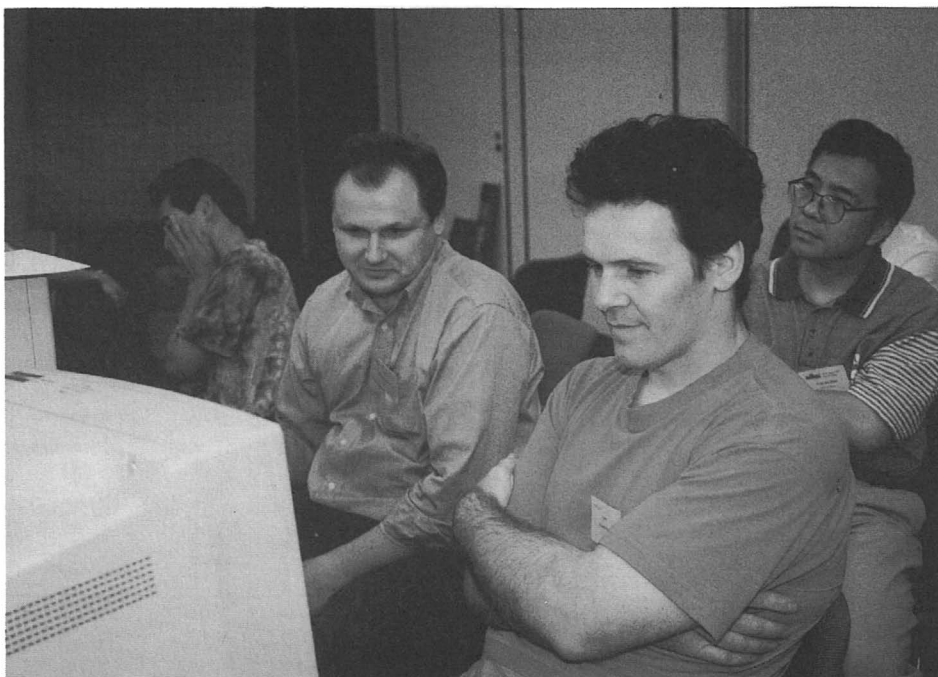
*Tei Meiko (seated) enjoys a joke with Hane 9-dan (left) and Kojima 9-dan.*

*Star of Poland*, was one of the first to be marketed commercially in Japan (under the name *Haya-go* — it was then about 10-kyu). The latest version won the 1997 European

computer-go tournament. In the FOST Cup, he said that his target was to finish in the top eight and he achieved that without any trouble.



*Michael Reiss shows his joy at a good move by his program in its game with Go Intellect.*



*Janusz Kraszek and Michael Reiss anxiously watch their programs perform.*

### **Handtalk makes it three in a row**

This year's tournament was run as a Swiss, but after six rounds the programs were split into four groups according to their results so far.

Chen Zhixing of China showed that he had maintained the edge he demonstrated over other programs in the first two FOST Cups. His program *Handtalk* scored its third successive win. Kojima 9-dan commented that it had a lead over the other programs in all three stages of the game, the opening, the middle game and the endgame. However, unlike Tei 9-dan, Chen thinks it will take another decade to get his program up to amateur 1-dan.

After the tournament, *Hand Talk* won a game on even against a 2-kyu third-grade schoolgirl, which influenced Kojima 9-dan in rating the program as 3-kyu.

The places in Group A, the top group, were as follows:

1. Chen Zhixing (China), *Handtalk*
2. Ken Chen (USA), *Go Intellect*
3. Michael Reiss (UK), *Go 4++*
4. Janusz Kraszek (Poland), *Star of Poland*

5. Yamamoto (Japan), *Silver Igo*
6. Tristan Cazenave (France), *Gogol*
7. Tanaka Masahiro (Japan), *Biwako*
8. Yamashita Hiroshi (Japan), *Aya*

Results of other Western participants were as follows:

David Fotland (USA), *Many Faces of Go*: 3rd in Group B.

Martin Mueller (Switzerland), *Explorer*: 6th in Group B.

Darren Cook (UK), *Darren Program*: 9th in Group C.

There were ten programs each in Groups B, C, and D. Just for the record, Tei Meiko's *Wakaba* came 7th in Group C.

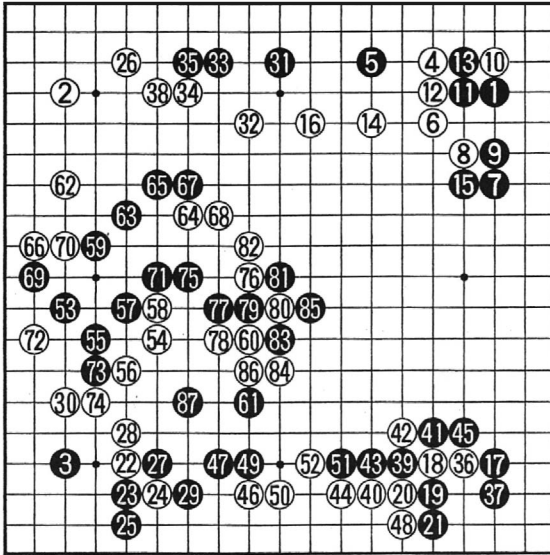
This year Kojima Takaho 9-dan, the chief referee, assessed the strength of *Hand Talk* at 3-kyu. The program's rating has gone up by one kyu a year since the FOST Cup began, so it's on course to make 1-dan in the year 2000. Whether it will progress so smoothly or perhaps make an even more dramatic jump, only time will tell.

Below, we present two games from the tournament.

Hand Talk vs. Go Intellect

Unfortunately, the game record given in *Go Weekly* goes up to only the 87th move, but this is perhaps enough to give readers some idea of these two programs.

White: Go Intellect  
 Black: Hand Talk



(1-87)

Moves after 87 omitted.  
 Black wins by 2 1/2 points.

Go Intellect vs. Go4++

White: Go4++  
 Black: Go Intellect

The opening is quite impressive. However, Black invests too many stones in eliminating every trace of life from the group in the bottom right corner that White wrote off at an early stage. In contrast, White builds a magnificent moyo at the top.

In Figure 2, Black makes a reckless invasion of the top, with no chance of living, but, finally, White makes an unbelievable mistake with 97. This slip-up is a little surprising for a computer program.

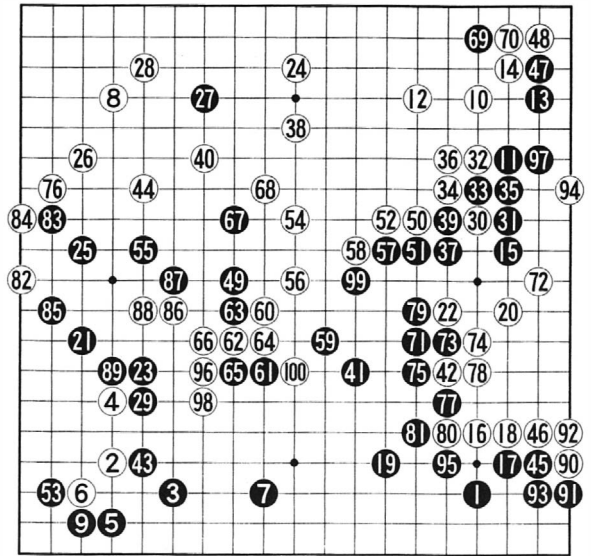


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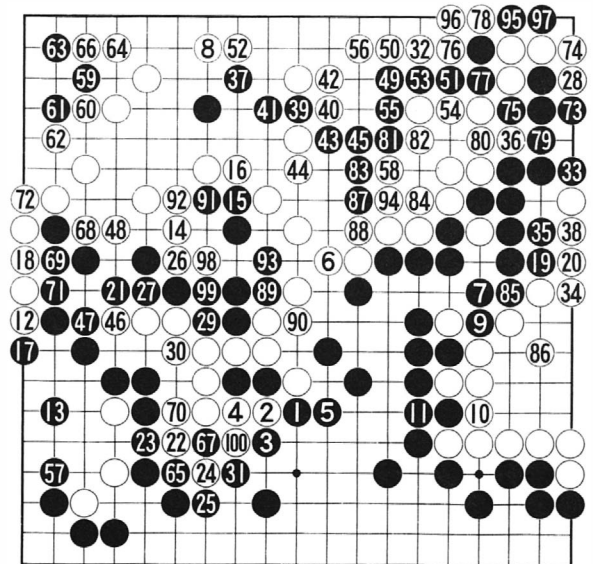


Figure 2 (101-200)

Moves after 200 omitted.  
 Black wins by 1 1/2 points.

The 4th FOST Cup

This tournament will be held at the Nihon Ki-in in Tokyo on 28 and 29 August 1998.

(Adapted from an article by Kawamura Masako, who took the photographs.)

# Go Around the World



*The Argentine Tournament gets under way.*

## Argentina

This year the Argentine Tournament started in September with the participation of all dan players. As usual, Fernando Aguilar won all his games and therefore he will play against the Brazilian representative

next February 1 to decide who will be the South American player in the forthcoming Fujitsu Cup. [Aguilar won.]

According to our rules, Aguilar would also be entitled to participate in the 1998 WAGC. However, he has decided to play only in the Fujitsu Cup, so the next entitled person selected in the Argentine Tournament, Hugo D. Scolnik, will be the Argentine representative.



*Diego Ruiz 3-dan*

On November 8 and 9, 1997, the first Argentina–Chile Tournament took place in Santiago, Chile. Players were divided into three groups, taking into account their strengths and matching possibilities. The first and third groups were won by Argentina and the middle one by Chile. Diego Ruiz, a 23-year-old 3-dan from Argentina, gave a remarkable performance, winning all his games in the top group (unfortunately for him, he lost his game against Hugo Scolnik in the Argentine Tournament by  $1\frac{1}{2}$  points, but without any doubt he will be seen in the WAGC soon).

On behalf of all the players from



*Franklin Bassarsky 3-dan (Argentina) (left) playing Pablo Saez 3-dan (Chile)*

Argentina I would like to thank very warmly Pablo Saez, Juan Carlos Carrillo, Enrique Segura, and all the other members of the Chilean Go Association for their wonderful hospitality.

On Sunday, November 9, a delegation of Korean players from Ecuador joined us to stage another tournament which was won by one of the visitors (who was 7-dan). Unfortunately, Fernando Aguilar was unavail-



*Closing ceremony of the Argentina–Chile Tournament*





*Relaxing on the pier at Phillip Island (near Melbourne):  
(from R) Saheki Yoshio (Nihon Ki-in), Honda 6-dan, and Shinkai 4-dan*

able to go to Chile, so we did not benefit from his assistance against such a strong player.

The next Argentine–Chile tournament will be held in the southern city of Neuquén, Argentina, in November 1998. This city is close to wonderful lakes and mountains, and visitors will be very welcome.

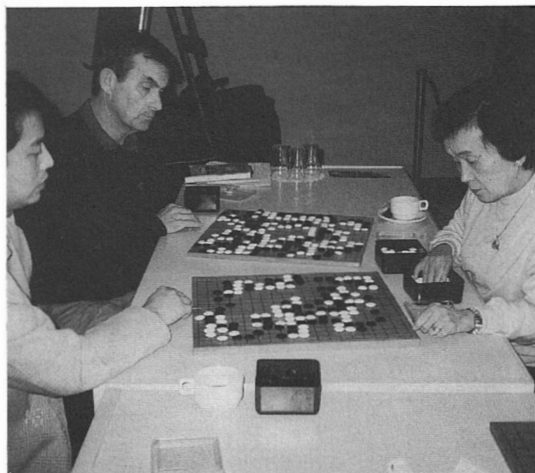
*(Report by Hugo D. Scolnik)*

## Australia

1997 was another huge year for go in Australia, with one of the highlights being the inaugural NEC Cup held in March . . . but more about that later. Other major events included, of course, the National Championships, which were held in Melbourne. Despite the great distances involved, this event is one of the few each year which players from all around the country make great efforts to attend. Out of a very strong field of 60 players, Andrew Chi once again came out on top with straight wins. However, in a strong performance on the

points table, Charlie Zhou from Sydney headed the list and will be our representative in the 1998 WAGC. We were lucky enough to have in attendance Honda Sachiko 6-dan and Shinkai Hiroko 4-dan of the Nihon Ki-in; they also presided over a three-day training camp held at Phillip Island immediately preceding the Nationals.

The training camp was a great success. In the idyllic setting of a popular beachside



*Honda 6-dan in action at Phillip Island*



*Peaceful battles on the verandah at the Phillip Island training camp*

resort which can nevertheless experience extreme weather conditions, we were blessed with warm, sunny days perfect for sitting on the verandah playing out peaceful battles on

the go board. Senseis Honda and Shinkai gave generously of their time and expertise, playing teaching games and giving lectures on all aspects of the game.



*Some young students at St Paul's school in Melbourne*



*Simon Taylor receiving his prize for 3rd place in the 1st NEC Cup from Kawamura 7-dan*

The program of teaching go in schools is well established. In Melbourne there are over 100 students in two schools having lessons each week; several have already com-

peted in local and state tournaments with very respectable results.

1997 also saw the first appearance of go on television in Australia in a local show



*(L to R) Ishida 7-dan, Okamoto (Managing Director, NEC Australia), and Kawamura 7-dan demonstrating other skills during a break in play at the NEC Cup*

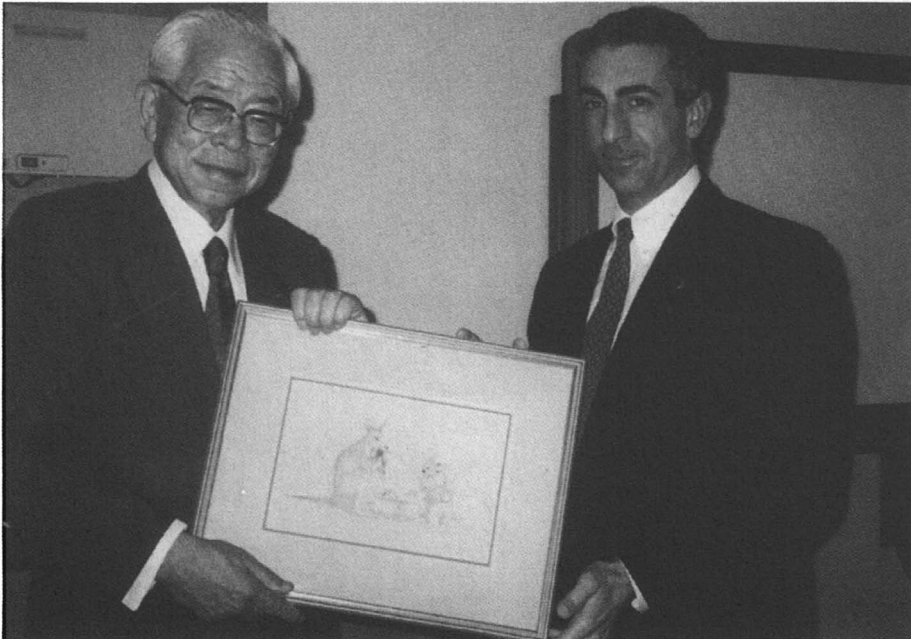


*A taiko drum performance given at the NEC Cup*

called 'Japan Down Under'. The producers have committed themselves to covering future events, as well as regular interview-style spots. This can be directly attributed to increased public interest in the game due to the NEC Cup tournament.

### ***The NEC Australia Cup***

On the 15th and 16th March 1997, the biggest thing to happen to go in Australia kicked off at the hotel Sofitel in Melbourne. NEC sponsors major go events in Japan and China, but this is the first time that such



*During a visit to Australia, Dr Sekimoto, Chairman of the Board of NEC, is presented by Brad Melki with a painting depicting a koala and a kangaroo engrossed in a game of go.*

sponsorship has occurred outside Asia. With their generous support, we were able to experience a truly world-class event. It was not only a go tournament but also a cultural exchange, with demonstrations of traditional Japanese arts, the taiko drums at the closing ceremony being a highlight.

Acknowledgement of this event and its significance also came in the form of messages of support from government and the Consul-General of Japan.

The competition was conducted in the form of two handicap divisions, with serious prize money and NEC products being awarded to the winners. The 1998 tournament will be increased to three divisions to accommodate the already large and growing list of entries.

We were honoured to have in our midst two professional go players. Kawamura Masamichi 7-dan and Ishida Atsushi 7-dan of the Nihon Ki-in were here to witness the birth of the largest go tournament in the southern hemisphere. They acted as tournament referees and gave many teaching games every day. It was a great opportunity for local players and observers to meet professionals and see the masters at work.

***Winners in the inaugural NEC Australia tournament***

*Division A* 1st: Andrew Chi  
2nd: Cheng Zuo  
3rd: David Zhang  
Fighting Spirit award: Jun Park

*Division B* 1st: Bu-lin Ziang  
2nd: James Zhao  
3rd: Simon Taylor



*Hard thinking in the NEC Cup*

Fighting Spirit award: Mike Taler

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## Austria

### Go events in 1997

February 28: Friendship team contest in Vienna between a traveling group (Nihon Express) of strong Japanese amateur players accompanied by a pro and a selected team of Austrian go players. The result was a 7–5 win for Austria.

March 21–23: Fujitsu Grand Prix (Susan Memorial): 60 participants. 1st: A. Lazarev (six wins); 2nd: R. Nechanicky; 3rd: Vladimir Danek and Bernd Scheid (tied).

April 20: ASKÖ chess and go festival for children and young players in Wien-Rudolfsheim.

June 21–23: Traditional Rudolph-Schneider Memorial Tournament in Graz. 1st: Danek; 2nd: M. Winkler; 3rd: G. Bartok.

July 4–6: GUMP Memorial Tournament in Vienna, with 32 participants. 1st: Danek; 2nd: Nechanicky; 3rd: Tibor Pocsai.

September 26–28: International Austrian Championship. 1st: C. Nurschinger; 2nd: Nechanicky; 3rd: Winkler; 4th: F. Hüttler.

The top three Austrian place-getters (Nurschinger, Winkler, and Hüttler) qualified for the final round, in which the best six Austrian players compete. The other three, who qualified through the all-year national tournament cycle, were Spiegl, Scheid, and D. Hilbert (Graz).

In the final round, Hüttler and Spiegl shared first and second places. Spiegl started with fewer WAGC points, as he was the Austrian representative at the 1997 WAGC, so Hüttler qualified for the 1998 WAGC.

The most enjoyable event in Austrian go in 1997 was the opening of a new playing lo-

cation in the central district of Vienna (Wien 1, Esslinggasse 4). C. Palmers, an enthusiastic Austrian go player, founded the new Viennese go centre to give go life in central Europe new impulses. Beginners courses for interested newcomers, recruited at the already traditional Spielesfest (21–23 November), took place, as well as the Teachers Day (with Frank Janssen) organized by the EGF.

## Belgium

In the 8th and 12th Ranka Yearbooks (1992 and 1996), we traced the history of go in Belgium from the founding of the Belgian Go Association (BGA) in 1982 to 1995. In this article, we would like to:

1. describe the main events of Belgian go life in the years 1996 and 1997;
2. give an update of tournament results;
3. give an updated list of go clubs [see the club section of this Yearbook].

### 1. Main events of 1996 & 1997

#### (a) The BGA Congress

In 1996, the BGA organized for the first time a special weekend go congress. Reserved to members, it took place in May in a lodge in the middle of a great natural park near the Dutch border.

The congress was quite a success, with almost 30 people taking part (one quarter of the total membership of the BGA). According to the participants themselves, the objectives of the congress — to enable people to improve their strength, to have fun, and to become acquainted with players from other clubs — were all achieved.

Below, we describe some aspects of the organization in the hope that this might be a source of inspiration to other small associations that would like to organize such an event.

The participants were divided into two groups according to their strength and received go 'lessons' consisting of an alternation of workshops (exercises were given to



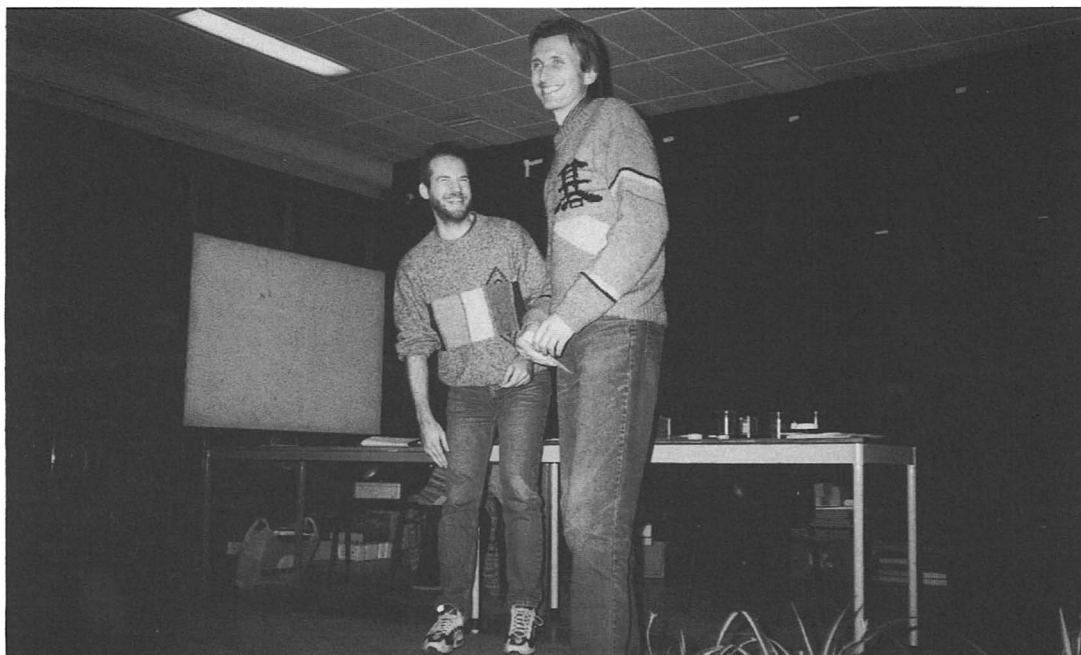
*The 1997 Brussels tournament. At the front right is Antoine Fenech 1-kyu, aged 11, of France.*

small groups of three or four players, whose solutions were then commented on by the teacher) and commentaries on professional games using a magnetic demonstration board (listeners could interrupt at any time with questions).

Of course, non-go activities such as sports (basketball, soccer, volleyball) and parlour games were not forgotten.

**(b) Korea-Belgium match**

Thanks to a Korean player, Mr. Kang



*Vladimir Danek (Czech Republic) receiving a prize from BGA President Jan Bogaerts at the 1997 Brussels Tournament*

(unfortunately now returned to Korea), a friendly match between seven Korean residents of dan strength and the top Belgian players was organized.

On this occasion, we were astonished to discover the presence in Belgium of some very strong Korean players — for example, Park Dong-chul, who is a strong 5-dan.

Unfortunately, they did not come to our clubs afterwards. In general, we do not find it easy to attract Asian players to our clubs. We are still looking for the reasons for this — lack of information about the BGA, lack of time, a preference for playing with compatriots . . . ?

### (c) Visit of a Japanese delegation to Ghent

Thanks to cultural agreements existing between the towns of Ghent and Kanazawa, a delegation of strong Japanese players, accompanied by Honda Kuniyoshi 9-dan, paid a short visit to the local club.

This encounter was undoubtedly the most important event ever for this small club, not only because its members could profit from lessons from strong players, but also because they got the opportunity to meet people from another culture in a friendly atmosphere.

## 2. Historical data update

### *Brussels Grand Prix Tournament*

*Year/no. of participants/(number 4-dan or stronger)/winner/second*

1990: 116 (24), Guo 7-dan, Schlemper 7-dan

1991: 112 (28), Sheng 7-dan, Guo

1992: 90 (16), Sheng, Guo

1993: 100 (15), Sheng, Guo

1994: 90 (12), Sheng, Guo

1995: 84 (10), Guo, Zhang 7-dan

1996: 112 (15), Guo, Miyakawa 6-dan

1997: 110 (15), Park 6-dan, Guo

### *Belgian Championship*

(For 1985–93, see *Ranka Yearbook* 12)

1994: Alain Wettach 2-dan

1995: Wettach 2-dan

1996: Wettach 3-dan

1997: Jan Bogaerts 3-dan

### *Leuven Tournament*

1992: De Vos 1-dan (Netherlands)

1993: Vanderstappen 4-dan (Netherlands)

1994: Polak 4-dan (Netherlands)

1995: Sevenants 1-dan (Belgium)

1996: Wong 2-dan (Belgium)

1997: Bogaerts 3-dan (Belgium)

### *Louvain-la-Neuve*

1993: ?

1994: Sevenants 1-dan

1995: Sevenants

1996: Wettach 2-dan

1997: Wettach 3-dan

### *Liège*

1995: Wiersma 3-dan (Netherlands)

1996: Bogaerts 3-dan

1997: Bogaerts

### *Interclubs*

1996: 46 players (6 clubs); winner: Le Pantin (Brussels)

1997: 56 players (7 clubs); winner: Ghent

1998: ? players (8 clubs); still in progress.

### *Best-ranked members (as of October 1997)*

3-dan: Jan Bogaerts, Chen Qi (China), Alain Wettach

2-dan: Michel Wettach, Olivier Dodinval, Mark Cumper (UK), Huang Yong-Sen (China), Pierre Sevenants, Chi-Yiu Wong

1-dan: Marc Ginoux, Frank Segers, (Vincent Lemaître)

(Report by Jean-Denis Hennebert)

## Canada

### **The 20th Canadian Open Go Championship**

Kingston, Ontario was the site of the 20th Canadian Open Go Championship. Located halfway between Toronto and Montreal and within a two-hour drive of Ottawa, the nation's capital, Kingston was the ideal venue for this event. Organized by Tafang Huang and the Kingston Go Club and held at the J.D.U.C. Wallace Hall on the campus of Queen's University, this event attracted a total of 59 participants over the long Labour





*Winners at the 1997 Canadian Open, Kingston, Ontario*

Day weekend of August 30 to September 1.

Directed by Pat Thompson, this six-round event was divided into six sections. The first-place winners of each section were: June Ki Beck 6-dan (Toronto), Jonathan Buss 4-dan (Waterloo, Ontario), Robert Laflèche 2-dan (Sherbrooke, Quebec), Hong Zhong 1-dan (Toronto), Jian Hong Pan 4-kyu (Ottawa), and Matthew Loh 11-kyu (Ottawa).

Even though June Ki Beck won the tournament, he didn't win the right to represent Canada at the next WAGC (1998). This is because he tied for first place with the 1996 representative Zhi-Qi Yu 7-dan (Toronto). The policy of the Canadian Go Association is that a trip prize cannot be awarded based on a tie-break calculation; a playoff has to be held. This is normally done on the Monday of the long weekend, but since this was the only playoff game to be held and since both players were from Toronto, their game was played about a week later in their hometown. Zhi-Qi Yu won and so will represent Canada in 1998.

The occasion of the Canadian Open is also used to select a number of other players

to represent Canada at various international events. The second- and third-place finishers get to play in the North American Fujitsu Qualifying Tournament, usually held in the fall of each year in the United States. This year they were June Ki Beck and Jong Choi 6-dan (Vancouver). Unfortunately, Jong Choi wasn't able to make it, so his place went to the 4th-place winner, Xin Wei 6-dan (Toronto). Joe Whang 4-dan and his sister Katherine 1-dan, both from Toronto, were selected to play in the International Amateur Pair Championship in Japan. Selina Chang 4-dan was this year's highest-finishing woman player.

The 1998 Open is tentatively scheduled to be held in Toronto, again over the Labour Day weekend (September 5–7).

#### **Ontario's major tournaments in 1997**

The 13th Ottawa Meijin Tournament lasted from December 1996 to March 1997 and had a total participation of 26 players. Stanley Chang was successful in defeating his challenger, Li Xianyu, and keeping his title of Ottawa Meijin. This event was organized by Charles Chang and the Ottawa

Chinese Go Club.

The 14th Ottawa Open was held on the weekend of April 26 and 27; unfortunately, the results of this six-round event have been lost.

The 14th Ottawa Chinese Go Cup was held on June 21 and 22. Organized by the Ottawa Chinese Go Club and sponsored by the Overseas Chinese Cultural Service Center, this six-round event attracted a total of 49 players. The tournament director was Isabel Chang. The top place-getters from the six sections were: Xin Wei 5-dan (Toronto), Xu Zhigang 3-dan (Montreal), Steven Mays 2-dan (Montreal), Samuel Law 1-kyu (Ajax, Ontario), Jian Hong Pan 5-kyu (Ottawa), and Jeff Li 10-kyu (Kingston).

The 2nd (3rd?) Toronto Korean Cup Tournament was held over the weekend of October 11 and 12 at the Korean Commercial Center. Organized by the Toronto Baduk Association, this six-round event attracted a total of 44 players. The first-place winners of each section were: Xin Wei 6-dan (Toronto), Yoon Chul Cha 4-dan (Toronto), Dan Sonu 2-dan (Toronto), Jianhong Pan 2-kyu (Ottawa), Jeff Li 10-kyu (Kingston, Ontario), and Joseph Huang 17-kyu (Kingston).

#### **Quebec's major tournaments of 1997**

The 16th Montreal Honinbo was held in January and February and was again won by Lian-Ming Dong 5-dan, who defeated his challenger and winner of the Honinbo league, Yuzo Ota 4-dan. This annual event was organized by André Labelle and the Montreal Go Club.

The 18th Winter Tournament was held on February 23 and was won by Louis Leroux 5-dan from Montreal. This three-round event, sponsored by the Consulate-General of Japan and organized by the Association Québécoise des joueurs de go, attracted 60 players, six less than last year's record-breaking figure. The tournament director was André Labelle. The winner of the remaining six sections were: Stella Chang 4-dan (Ottawa), Patrick Peng 3-dan (Montreal), Wayne Ling 1-dan (Ottawa), Robert Ursiny 4-kyu (Vermont), Sébastien Cormier 6-kyu (Kingston, Ontario), and Yi Luo 22-kyu (Montreal).

The 19th Quebec Open, held on May 17 and 18, was won by the youngster Li Xianyu 5-dan from Ottawa. This six-round event, which is organized by the Association Québécoise des joueurs de go, with Steven Mays as tournament director, drew a total participation of 31 players and was divided into four sections. The winners of the remaining three sections were: Xu Zhigang 1-dan (Montreal), Jian Hong Pan 5-kyu (Ottawa), and Luo Yi 19-kyu (Montreal).

#### **British Columbia's Major Tournaments of 1997**

The 6th Vernal Equinox Tournament was held on March 22 and 23. This five-round event, directed by Kirk Westergaard, was divided into four sections. The first-place winners of each section were: Chris Kirschner 5-dan (Bothel, Washington), Jeff Horn 1-dan (Kent, Washington), Stuart Cook 3-kyu (Nelson, B.C.), and Mervyn Lewis 10-kyu (Courtenay, B.C.).

#### **Canada's Representatives at International Events During 1997**

19th WAGC: Tom Tian 5-dan (Vancouver)

14th World Youth Go Championship: Michael Hong (Vancouver)

7th North American Ing Cup Tournament: Selina Chang 4-dan (Ottawa), Sung-hwa Hong 6-dan (Vancouver), Timothy Law 5-dan (Ajax, Ontario)

11th North American Fujitsu Qualifying Tournament: June Ki Beck 6-dan (Toronto), Xin Wei 6-dan (Toronto)

8th International Amateur Pair Go Championship: Katherine Wang 1-dan and Joe Whang 4-dan (Toronto)

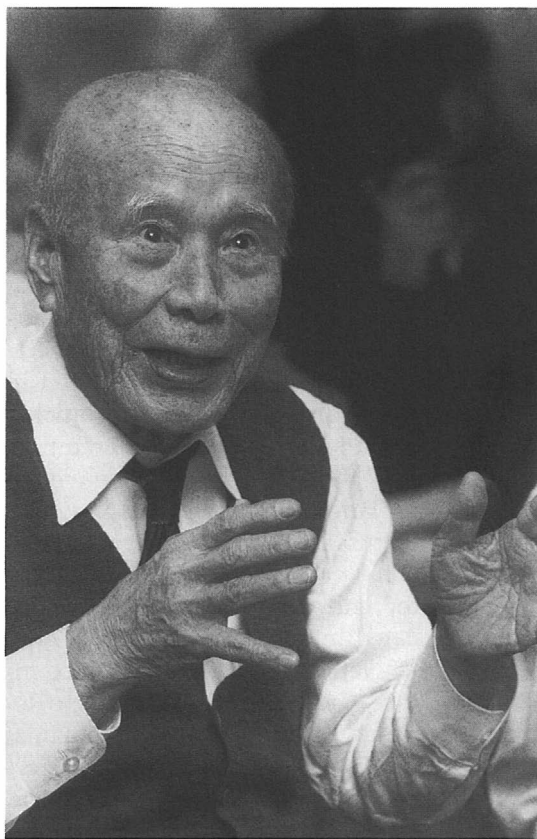
Note: We regret the omission from last year's report of mention that Isabel Chang represented Canada at the 6th World Women's Amateur Go Championship.

*(Report by Steven Mays)*

## The European Go Centre

In 1997 the European Go Centre celebrated its fifth anniversary. During this period the centre has developed into one of the main pillars of European go in several ways. For the European go community, promotional and teaching material has been developed that has now been translated into 16 languages and is used in 21 countries. This 'European Go Promotion Plan 1995-2000' was recognised by the European Union as a 'Eurathlon project'. For these five years the EGCC has organised more than 20 major go events on a European or global scale.

This report first gives the general story of the centre. Secondly, it presents the results so far of the European Go Promotion Plan and a look ahead. Finally, an overview of the main go events organised in the EGCC is given.



*Iwamoto Kaoru during his visit here for the Kisei title-match game in Amsterdam in January 1996*

### History

The story begins with Iwamoto Kaoru, the former Honinbo Kunwa, who sold his go club in Tokyo and donated the proceeds to the Nihon Ki-in with the intention of starting go centres around the world. This dream has been realised in Sao Paulo in South America and in New York and Seattle in North America, as well as here in Europe in Amstelveen, a suburb of Amsterdam. The building was approved of by Iwamoto himself. When he came to Amsterdam to have a look, he insisted on taking public transport instead of a taxi because he wanted to make sure that it was easy to reach this place. The building, a former telephone agency, was completely rebuilt by Obayashi Corporation. It was opened by Iwamoto and the mayor of Amstelveen on May 9, 1992. The building has three large halls and one small hall located on two floors, as well as two bars, three offices, extensive storage space, and its own parking facilities. The heart of the building is formed by a ten-mat tatami Japanese room: the Kunwa Room, after the name used by Iwamoto when he became Honinbo in 1946.

### Operations

Considering the European situation, the building is too large to be devoted solely to go events. One estimate is that every European go player would have to visit the centre once a month for it to be financially healthy. Therefore, the centre is run as a 'thinking games' centre and a Japanese cultural centre. This mode of operation has proven to be extremely effective. Every day the centre is visited by about 200 or 300 people. The Japanese community uses the centre daily for cultural activities like flower arrangement and language courses. In this way the financial situation of the centre is very solid. It enables the four-man staff of the go department to focus on the main aim of the EGCC: spreading the game of go in Europe.



*The staff of the EGCC (from left to right): Matti Groot, Erik Puyt, Rob Kok, and Frank Janssen*

## **The European Promotion Plan**

In 1995 the European Go Centre started a plan to stimulate go on a Europe-wide scale: the promotion plan 1995-2000. After research into the European situation, it was decided to start at the base: helping to raise the number of people who start playing go. To achieve this, a package of promotional and teaching materials was developed. This consists of five steps:

- to attract people's attention: a glossy flyer;
- to give follow-up information: an information brochure;
- to teach the rules: a beginners book;
- to assist go teachers: a teacher's manual;
- for easy exercises: a set of cards for beginners.

The teaching material enables enthusiastic go players, irrespective of playing strength, to teach newcomers the game without having to invent all the material themselves. The original material was drawn

up in English and sent to eight countries for translation. After careful editing and proof-reading, the material was printed in the Netherlands. The EGCC sponsored a large part of the total cost. The distribution of the material is the responsibility of the national organisations. They organised teacher days at which interested teachers were made familiar with the material and instructed in the best way to use it. The project quickly proved to be a success and more countries joined. In 1997 the European Union gave the promotion plan 'Eurathlon status', which meant that Brussels subsidised the despatch of international go instructors to the teacher days. By the end of 1997 the material had been translated into 16 languages; it is now used in the Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg, France, the U.K., Ireland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Slovenia, Poland, Romania, Russia, Ukraine, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Spain, Portugal, Denmark, Sweden, and Finland. There have already been large reprints in several languages like French, English, and Slovakian. The EGCC hopes to cover all European languages by the year



*Teacher day in Austria, 15 November 1997. The local trainers have a look at the German promotional and teaching material.*

2000. The EGCC has built up a good working relationship with all the countries involved in the promotion plan. That makes a firm base for the implementation of future plans.

In 1998 the next step will be taken in the 'EGCC Promotion Plan'. The centre will develop an interactive computer tutorial for beginners and material for training kyu players.

In the year 2000 the EGCC aims at organising a seminar by a Japanese professional for the national trainers of the strongest European countries.

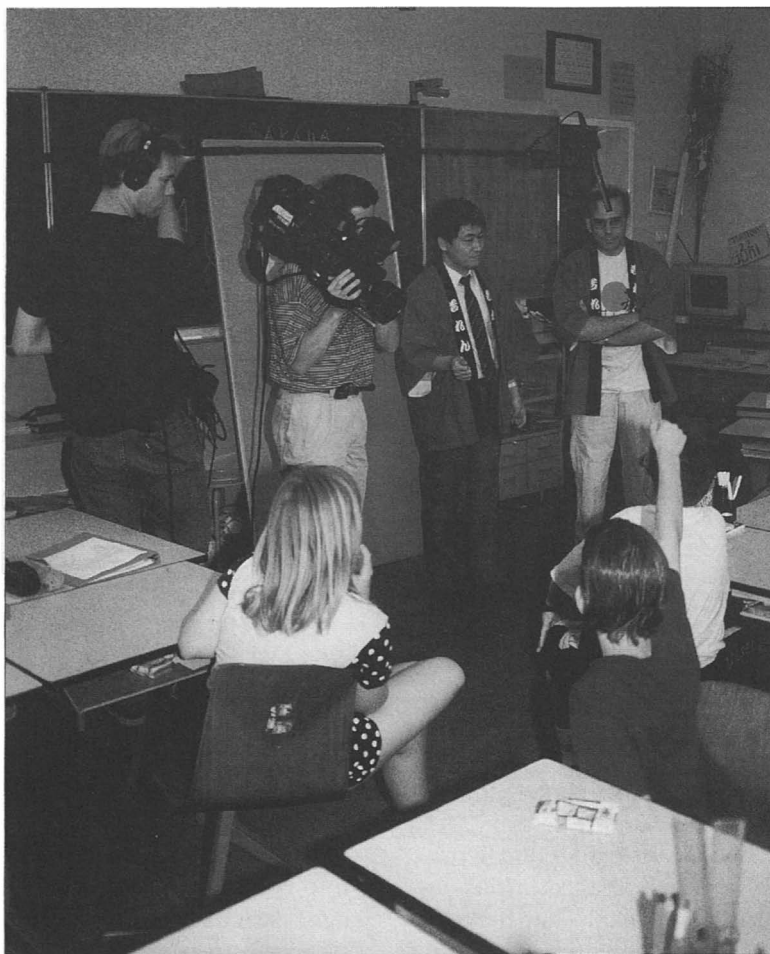
### **Children's projects**

In January 1996 Yasuda Yasutoshi 8-dan visited Amstelveen. He may one day become a well-known tournament player, but now he is best known as the most active professional in Japan in one special subject: teaching go to children. For a period of five years he travelled all over Japan to teach in elementary schools and kindergartens. His main aim is not to produce future top

players. He wants to enable children to get into contact with each other, irrespective of age, language or handicap. His way of teaching go is simple but at the same time revolutionary. Getting to be friends with children is the most important. He lets children discover the rules almost completely by themselves. He starts off with atari go (the first to capture a stone wins) and lets them play on this level until they themselves want to know more. He has also invented children's games, like four children with black caps trying to capture children with white caps by surrounding them.

Yasuda came to Amstelveen to give instruction during the Kisei match, but his visit quickly focussed completely on children, visiting schools and instructing children all day long.

Yasuda's methods proved to be extremely effective. All children have fun during his visits. After his visit, a children's club started in the go centre, meeting every Wednesday afternoon. Articles about Yasuda in the Dutch go magazine inspired other people to start activities for children. There



*Yasuda attracts national television coverage during his school visit.*

are now several children's clubs for elementary-school children (clubs for middle-school children have existed for many years). Yasuda came back on two more occasions: in September 1996 (for the Obayashi Cup) and in May 1997 (for the European Pair Go Championship). On both visits he had a one-week schedule of school visits and attendance at children's activities. During his 1997 visit, he visited 15 schools in the Amstelveen area, and go was introduced to over 1500 children. The week ended with a children's go festival in the Centre with more than 80 children attending.

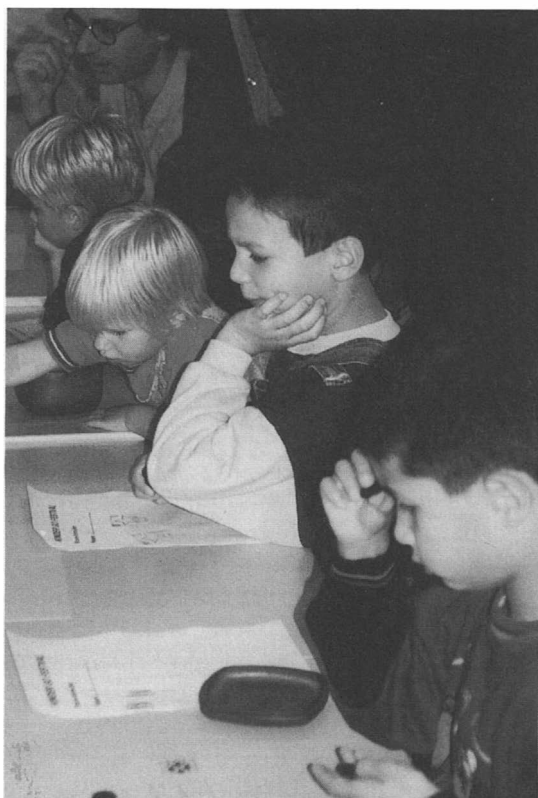
Yasuda's most recent visit was part of a large-scale Japan Week in Amstelveen, and for this occasion the Go Centre developed an educational paper 'Japan en het Go spel' (Japan and the game of go), 2500 copies of which were distributed during the week.

Several thousand more have been used in other children's projects in the Netherlands. The paper is accompanied by a manual for school teachers who do not play go themselves. This educational paper has been translated into English and will be incorporated into the promotion plan in 1998.

### **Office of the European Go Federation**

The European Go Centre acts as a daily office for the European Go Federation (EGF). We perform the following tasks for the EGF:

- Address List
- Rating List
- Newsletter
- WWW-site with European News



*A scene from the children's festival*

### **Address List**

To facilitate contacts within the European go community, the EGCC maintains a data base of addresses of contacts and clubs in Europe. An up-to-date list is published in every issue of the Newsletter. Once a year the EGCC produces a list with all important go addresses and sends this around to all countries that are members of the European Go Federation.

### **Rating List**

For some years the EGCC has tried to produce a regular rating list of all European players. For this purpose, tournament results from all over Europe were collected. The process of running them through the rating program had run into several delays. This was mostly due to the incompatibility of several tournament-pairing programs. Because of this, only two European rating lists have been published: one in 1994 and one at the end of 1995.

Wiet Bouma wrote a program to convert tournament results into the format which is

used by the AGA rating program (written by Paul Matthews). With this program it has been possible to update the list to August 1995. The European Championship in Tuchola was the last tournament on the last list.

Finally, after processing about 100 tournaments, we were finally able to publish a new EGF rating list just before the European Congress in Marseilles. We aim to produce a new list every quarter and a printed list once a year.

### **Newsletter**

The European Go Centre started in 1995 with the publication of the *European Go Journal* as a follow-up to the Fujitsu Newsletter. After two years of publication, the EGCC, unfortunately, had to discontinue this journal, because of the small number of subscribers. To publish every quarter a journal for a very limited number of readers took too much time. The last issue, 96:4, was published a week before the Ing Cup in 1997. Instead of a journal, the EGCC now publishes a newsletter three or four times a year. This newsletter is free of charge and is available at the major European tournaments. The newsletter focusses on European news only.

### **WWW-site**

On <http://www.xs4all.nl/~egcc> there is an update on all the projects of the Go Centre. It also includes quite a lot of information about the European Go Federation. In particular, information on European Grand Prix tournaments, with the latest update on the ranking, the address list, and the rating list, can be found on our site.

## **Go events at the EGCC**

The Centre hosts various tournaments and activities of the Dutch Go Association, such as all national championships and central training sessions. The Amsterdam Go Club organises its main international tournament every year around Ascension Day. The Amstelveen Go Club 'De Twee Ogen' (two eyes) has its playing evening every Tuesday and has grown to be the second biggest club in Holland in just five years. The Centre itself organises several important

tournaments for the EGF and has organised some special events. A survey of our activity over the past five years follows.

### ***Obayashi Cup***

Every year in September we organise a tournament sponsored by one of the biggest construction firms in the world, Obayashi. They were responsible for the reconstruction of the building. The Obayashi Cup has become very popular, growing to a record participation of 240 participants in its sixth year. One reason for this is the unique formula with many prizes. On Saturday there is a large-scale four-round MacMahon tournament with prizes for everybody who scores two points or more. On top of this, the sponsor gives lottery prizes like katsura boards with shell and slate stones at the prize giving. On Sunday the top 16 players from Saturday play a knockout tournament for the Cup and handsome prize money. Each year a different Japanese professional visits the tournament and comments on the final, followed on the internal video circuit by a large number of spectators. Among the professionals have been well-known players like Yasuda Yasutoshi 8-dan and Michael Redmond 8-dan.

A complete list of the finalists so far:

1992. 1st: Zhang Shutai (PRC), 2nd: Guo Juan (PRC/NLD)

1993. 1st: Guo ; 2nd: Zhang

1994. 1st: Shen Guangji (PRC); 2nd: Frank Janssen (NLD)

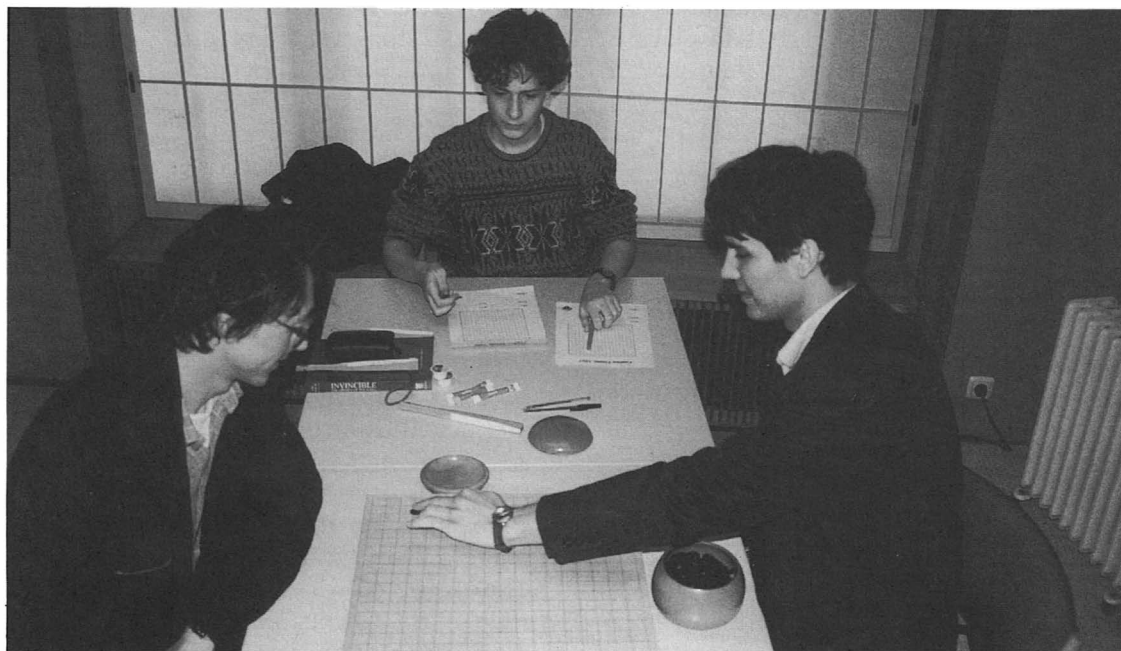
1995. 1st: Guo (NLD); 2nd: Zhang

1996. 1st: Guo; 2nd: Zhao Pei (PRC). This was an all-woman final.

1997. 1st: Zhang; 2nd: Zhao

### **Fujitsu Finals**

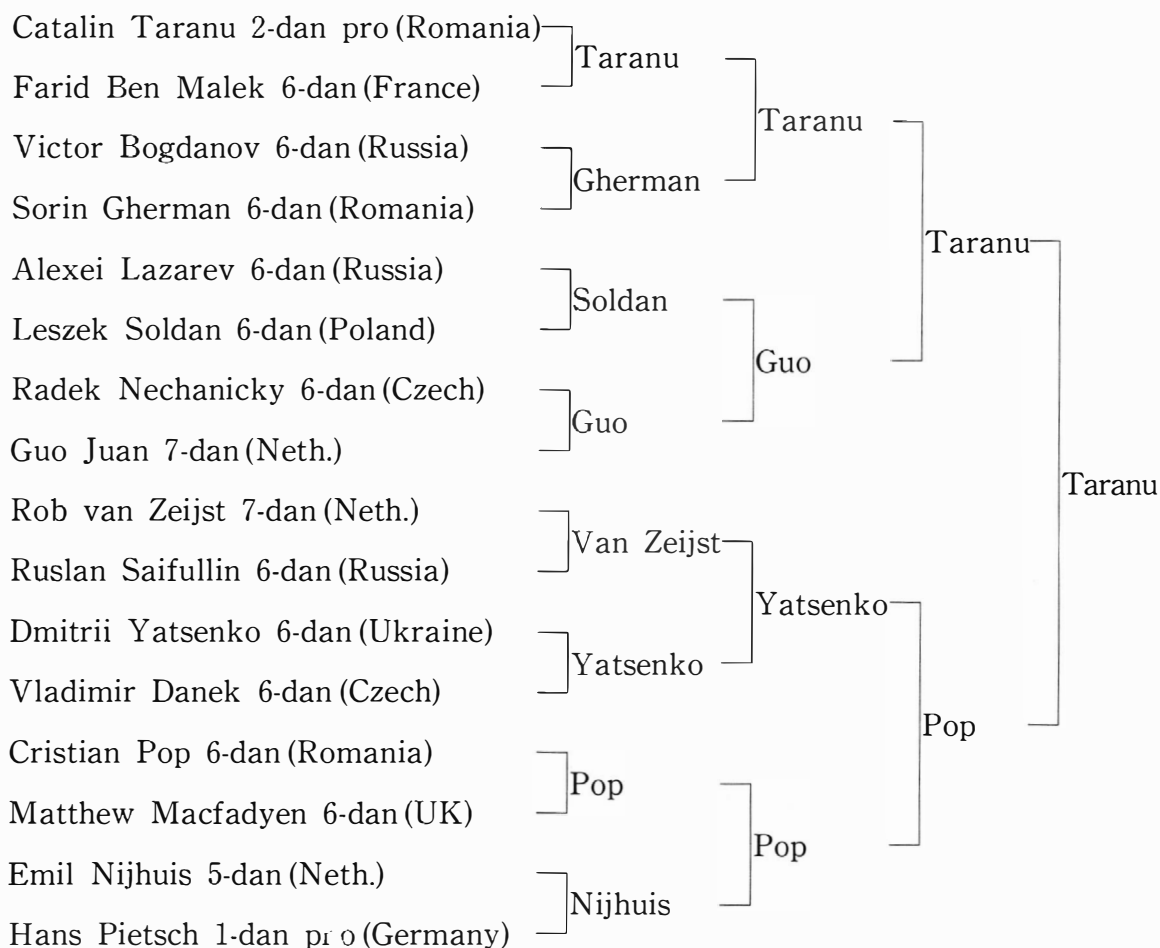
Since 1988 Fujitsu has been organising a World Championship. In addition to the world's top professionals, Fujitsu also invites one participant each from North America, South America and Europe. For the first two years, the EGF organised a tournament to decide the European participant. Both tournaments were won by Ronald Schlemper 6-dan (NLD) Thereafter, the participant had to qualify through a series of Grand Prix tournaments in Europe. But in 1993, at the specific request of the sponsor, a new qualifying system was established: the European Fujitsu Finals. Every year in December, the top 16 European players compete in a knockout. Since its adoption, this formula has been



*Catalin Taranu makes the first move in the final of the European Fujitsu Cup 1997. His opponent is Cristian Pop and the game recorder is former insei Emil Nijhuis.*



## The 1997 Fujitsu Cup: European Qualifying Tournament



found to give an exciting tournament with quite high-level participation. In the 1997 tournament, three professionals and one player of professional strength entered.

A special feature of the Fujitsu Finals is the side events. The EGCC organises discussion go tournaments. In these tournaments, everyone interested can enter their own choices, with the reasons, for the next moves in games between the top players. Points are given through special rules. In this way, the onlookers get real insight into the way of thinking of the top players.

The final of the tournament gets professional comments from Miyamoto Naoki, 9-dan pro, who comes to this tournament every year even though it sometimes coincides with his birthday.

### *The 1997 Fujitsu Finals*

With a similar line-up to last year, four players of professional strength and the rest renowned European top players, many people expected an interesting tournament. However, nobody predicted the excitement and the upsets the tournament produced.

Round one saw the biggest upset: Hans Pietsch, strong favourite for a place in the final, lost by resignation to the 17-year-old Emil Nijhuis. This was a huge disappointment for Hans, because he was the runner-up the previous year. Surprisingly, all the Russian participants were eliminated too, so the quarterfinals started with three Romanians, three Dutch, a Pole and a Ukrainian. The Ukrainian, Dmitrii Yatsenko, was responsible for the second main upset of the tournament. Four-time finalist and two-time winner Rob van Zeijst had a bad day. After a disastrous start, he almost got back into the game but eventually lost by 2½ points.

In the upper half of the draw, both seeded players, Guo and Taranu, came through. It was interesting to see if Catalin Taranu, who had a 16–9 record (1997) as a professional, would be a match for Guo Juan. Taranu won by 5½ points to meet his friend and fellow countryman Cristian Pop in the final. Pop won his semifinal by 1½ points after a dramatic game, which for a long time looked a won game for Yatsenko. The final was a relatively easy game for Taranu, who will take Pop with him to Nagoya in January as an insei. With this win Catalin qualified for the Fujitsu Cup, which will be played in Japan in April 1998. Miyamoto Naoki gave commentaries on both the semifinals and the final. As prizes for the discussion go tournaments, he autographed copies of the book *Invincible*, for which he did most of the commentaries.

*Results of all Fujitsu Finals so far:*

1993. 1st: Rob van Zeijst 7-dan (NLD); 2nd: Ronald Schlemper 7-dan (NLD)

1994. 1st: Guo Juan 7-dan (NLD); 2nd: van Zeijst

1995. 1st: Guo; 2nd: van Zeijst

1996. 1st: van Zeijst; 2nd: Hans Pietsch, 6-dan (Germany)

1997. 1st: Catalin Taranu, 2-dan pro (Romania); 2nd: Cristian Pop 6-dan (Romania)

*The Ing tournament*

Every second year the Ing tournament is staged at the EGCC. In-between, it moves to other European countries. Since its inaugu-

ration in 1990, this has been one of the top European tournaments. Because participation is limited to the top 24 European players or strong Asian players resident in Europe, every game in this six-round Swiss tournament matches top amateur players. The Ing tournament has made a big contribution to raising the level of European go.

The 1997 tournament was dominated by former Chinese professional Guo Juan, who easily won all of her games. Second place was surprisingly taken by Cristian Pop from Romania. With this success, Romania is drawing close to replacing the Netherlands as the strongest European country.

Results of all European Ing tournaments so far:

1990 (Vienna). 1st: Rob van Zeijst 6-dan, 7 points; 2nd: Ronald Schlemper 6-dan (NLD), 5; 3rd: Tibor Pocsai 5-dan (Hungary), 4; 4th: Hans Pietsch 5-dan (Germany), 4. (The first tournament was an eight-player league. From the second year on, the tournament became a 24-player player league).

1991 (Amsterdam). 1st: Guo 6-dan, 6; 2nd: Matthew Macfadyen 6-dan (UK), 5; 3rd: van Zeijst 6-dan, 5; 4th: Shutai Zhang 6-dan (PRC), 4.

1992 (Amsterdam). 1st: Guo 6-dan, 5; 2nd: van Zeijst 6-dan, 5; 3rd: Zhang 6-dan, 5; 4th: Frank Janssen 6-dan (NLD), 4.

1993 (EGCC). 1st: Shen Guangji 6-dan (PRC), 5; 2nd: Schlemper 6-dan (NLD), 5; 3rd: Zhang 6-dan (PRC), 5; 4th: van Zeijst 6-dan (NLD), 5.

1994 (Milan). 1st: Guo 7-dan, 6; 2nd: van Zeijst 7-dan (NLD), 5; 3rd: Victor Bogdanov 6-dan (Russia), 5; 4th: Mark Boon 5-dan (NLD), 4.

1995 (EGCC). 1st: Catalin Taranu 6-dan (Romania), 5; 2nd: Macfadyen 6-dan (UK), 5; 3rd: John Lee 6-dan (USA), 5; 4th: Shen Guangji 7-dan (PRC), 5.

1996 (Baile Felix, Romania). 1st: Guo 7-dan (NLD), 5; 2nd: Shutai 7-dan, 5; 3rd: van Zeijst, 5; 4th: Ivan Detkov 6-dan (Russia), 4.

1997 (EGCC). 1st: Guo, 6; 2nd: Cristian Pop 6-dan (Romania), 5; 3rd: Zhang, 4; 4th: Alexei Lazarev 6-dan (Russia), 4.



*Participants in the World Youth Championship have fun at the EGCC.*

## Special events

### **September 1992: First game of the Meijin title match in Amsterdam**

One of the first special go events took place when the first game of the 1992 Meijin title match was held in Amsterdam. The game took place in the Okura Hotel, but a direct television line made it possible to watch the game in the EGCC. Many go fans gathered to watch the game between Meijin Kobayashi Koichi and challenger Otake Hideo. Commentaries were given by Takagi Shoichi and Ishida Yoshio, both 9-dan. Iwamoto was also present and showed that he was still a top player even at 90 years of age by beating two top European players who took three-stone handicaps. Kobayashi won the Meijin game (and later on also the match).

### **July 1995: World Youth Goe Championship**

One of the nicest events that took place in the EGCC was the World Youth Championship in July 1995. Twenty children and al-

most the same number of team captains and accompanying parents from all over the world attended this tournament sponsored by the Ing Chang Ki Educational Foundation. Although they stayed for only one week, they saw a lot of Holland. The evening program included a canal tour through Amsterdam, a visit to Madurodam (Holland in miniature), a laser game, and the day after the closing ceremony everybody went to the fairy tale and amusement park Efteling. This combination of go and amusement made it an unforgettable experience both for the participants and the organisers. Also, the publicity is worth mentioning. Besides several articles in newspapers, the main Dutch television channel made a report on the Friday evening children's news.

The results of the tournaments resembled previous years. Both finals matched China against Korea. In the senior section the Chinese Huang Yizhong beat Kim Kang-Kun. In the junior section Korea won when Lee Yong-Soo beat Yang Shao. All of these boys are now professional players.



*Discussion go during the Kisei game. What will the next move be and why?*

**January 1996: first game of the Kisei title match in Amsterdam**

At the start of 1996 the Japanese professional scene moved to Amsterdam for the second time. This time Cho Chikun came to Amsterdam to challenge Kobayashi Satoru for the Kisei title that he had lost to him the year before. The event was an enormous success in generating publicity. All the leading newspapers and both the national and local television covered the event. The main reason seems to have been the fact that the winner would receive a sum of money twenty times greater than the prize for the winner of a world-famous chess tournament that was held at the same time in Holland. In the wake of Cho and Kobayashi came a number of famous professionals. Takemiya Masaki, the NHK commentator, surprised everybody by arriving at the opening ceremony wearing wooden shoes and a tie with windmills. Iwamoto, then 94, said on national television that the EGCC had fulfilled his dream and had become the real go centre of Europe. The game took place in the Okura Hotel, but for the occasion they borrowed the tatami mats from the EGCC because

because their own were too old. The game was surprisingly short, lasting only 85 moves before Cho resigned. A direct line to the EGCC made it possible for a large audience to follow the game. Iwamoto was asked to comment. He was supposed to sit down and have Takagi show him the moves, but he kept jumping up enthusiastically to put down the magnetic stones himself. His enormous energy for go was an inspiration to everybody present.

**July 1997: Japan Week and the first European Pair Go Championships**

Japan and the Netherlands have had special relations since 1600, when a Dutch ship 'De Liefde' (The Love) was wrecked on the coast of Japan. The best-seller *Shogun* by James Clavell is based on this historical period. The pilot who is the hero of this book was actually Dutch and lived for many years in Japan under the protection of the Shogun. Later on, when all foreigners were thrown out of the country, the Dutch were the only Westerners allowed to stay in Japan at a small artificial island in Nagasaki harbour called Deshima. For almost 300 years the only



*Preliminary round of the European Pair Go Championship played in the Amstelveen shopping centre. The winning German pair are sitting at the front right.*

only contacts with the West were with the Dutch. In the year 2000 the 400th anniversary of relations between Japan and the Netherlands will be celebrated on a large scale. As a starter, the city of Amstelveen organised a large-scale Japan Week in July 1997. The EGCC leapt to the occasion with a large-scale local promotion program. With the support of the Rabobank (a large Dutch bank), three events were organised. First, a cultural day in the EGCC, where all kinds of Japanese demonstrations, exhibitions and a bazaar took place. The second was an educational program for youth (see the section on children's projects). The third was a tournament: the first European Pair Go Championship. The intention of this tournament was to show the game of go to a broad public as a fun game that crosses geographical and cultural borders. To do this, the first rounds of the tournament were played in the main shopping centre of Amstelveen. There were several demonstrations

and places where people could immediately start playing. On the wave of this publicity, it is now easier to reach all kind of media, even national television.

The first rounds of the tournament were used to make a pairing among the 16 invited pairs for the Sunday knockout playoff. On paper, the German team was one of the strongest and they easily reached the final. In the other half of the tournament, the Norwegian team was a surprise, knocking out two strong teams before going down against Great Britain in the semifinal. In the final, the German team of Christoph Gerlach and Britta Trepczyk got an advantage at the start and kept it until the end against the British team of Matthew Macfadyen and Kirsty Healey to become the first European Pair Go champions. The prizes were handed out by Mrs. Taki of the Japan Pair Go Foundation, who visited and supported the tournament.

*(Report by Frank Janssen)*

## Germany

Organized go in Germany is structured regionally. It consists of independent federal associations. The purpose of the regional structure is to deal as best as possible with the regional differences and to attend to the needs of our members in the best way.

The national federation collects subscriptions, organizes weekly meetings for go players and arranges tournaments, for example, the federal championship.

The national federation is the umbrella organization: DGoB (German Go Federation). The DGoB organizes the German Championship. In 1997 the champion in the women's competition was Uschi Habrecht 1-dan, followed by Regina Quest 1-dan and Susi Saalman 1-kyu. In the main competition, the winner was Egbert Rittner 6-dan, followed by Felix von Arnim 5-dan; tied for third were two players, Jonas Finke 4-dan and Franz-Josef Dickhut 6-dan.

The German Go Federation publishes a very interesting and informative journal every two months. This year the *German Go Journal* is in its 73rd year. In addition, the German Go Federation handles international contacts.

The Berlin and Brandenburg Go Associations decided that they wanted to organize the European Go Congress in 2000, so the German Go Federation made an application to the European Go Federation. In summer 1997 our hopes were fulfilled and Strausberg (50 km from Berlin) was chosen as the venue for 2000. We are eagerly looking forward to organizing Germany's, perhaps even Europe's, largest tournament ever. We expect nearly 1,000 participants. We have made an energetic start to our preparations and have already completed the arrangements for the tournament venue, accommodation and catering.

One of our goals is to increase the number of members of the Berlin Go Association. At the moment there are just 158 members out of a population of three million, which is quite a small percentage. There are around 200 go players in Berlin who do not belong to the association. Last year there was a change in its management. The long-stand-

ing leader Andreas Urban resigned and Oliver Lenz — that's me — took over the position.

Goals achieved in 1997:

- we set up a central telephone hotline for go, which operates 24 hours a day, 365 days a year;
- we published a newsletter every six to eight weeks for our members.

Anyone who would like information about German go is invited to call our hotline at 0177-860.860.8 or you can access us on the Internet at:

<http://www.zpr.uni-koeln.de/~gawron/dgob/>

For news about Berlin Go Association:

Internet) <http://www.go-berlin.org>  
e-mail) [info@go-berlin.org](mailto:info@go-berlin.org)

(Report by Oliver Lenz)

## Iberoamerican Go Federation

Taking advantage of the opportunity offered by the 19th WAGC held in the city of Sapporo and following a suggestion by Mr. Alan Held of the IGF, the representatives of all the Iberoamerican countries held a special meeting at which they outlined the common interests and needs of their respective Spanish- or Portuguese-speaking countries. As a result, they decided to form the Federación Iberoamericana de Go, with the aim of helping develop and spread the knowledge of go in their respective countries and throughout the region, as well as encouraging the exchange of information and the organization of events involving member countries. Mr. Pablo Saez of Chile was subsequently elected as first president and Mr. Eduardo Lopez Herrero of Argentina as counselor.

### News from Spain and Portugal

Spain, through Mr. C. Garcia's Web pages, and Portugal, thanks to Mr. J. Raposo, have now edited the rules of go and other related information in both Spanish and



*Founders of the Federación Iberoamericana de Go with Otake Sensei at the WAGC in Sapporo*

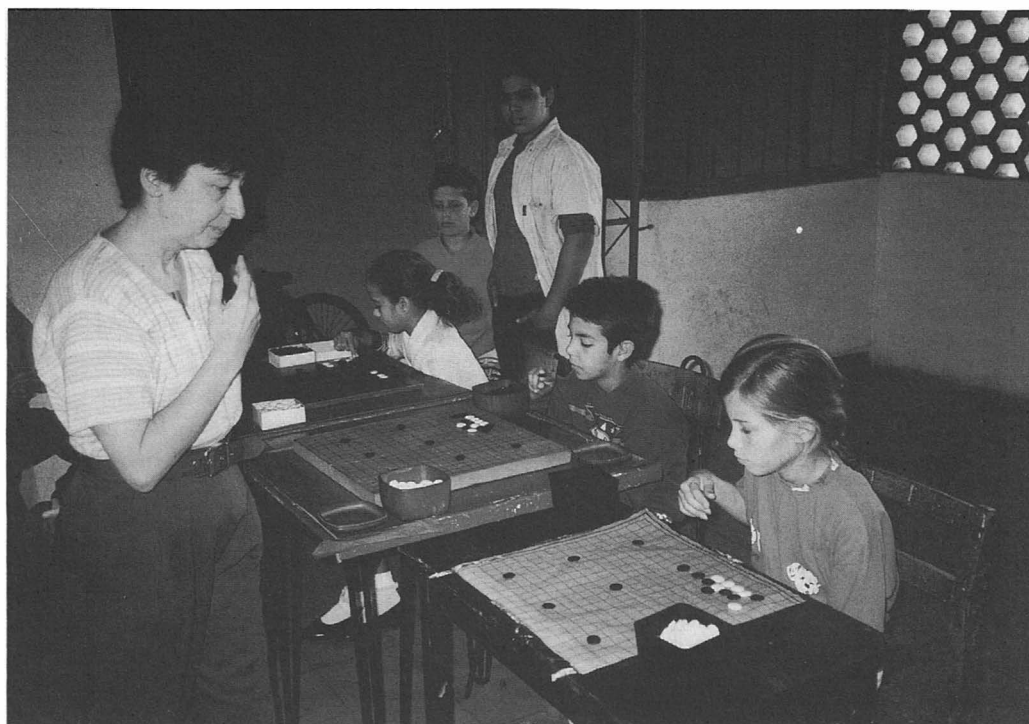
Portuguese. Spain maintains an electronic list of Iberoamerican players, which has proved very useful as a communication tool. The addresses are:  
<http://www.dit.upm.es/~cgarcia/go.html>  
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#### **News from Chile and Argentina**

In the city of Santiago in Chile, the first Chile/Argentina tournament was held in November 1997. It was attended by ten Argentine and 12 Chilean players and five Koreans resident in Ecuador. The competition



*Children and their parents with other Cuban players and Venezuelan visitors at the Cuban Academy of Go*



*Maria Puerta of Venezuela playing simultaneous games at the Cuban Go Academy*

was a success and the next event is scheduled for the City of Neuquén in Argentina in 1998.

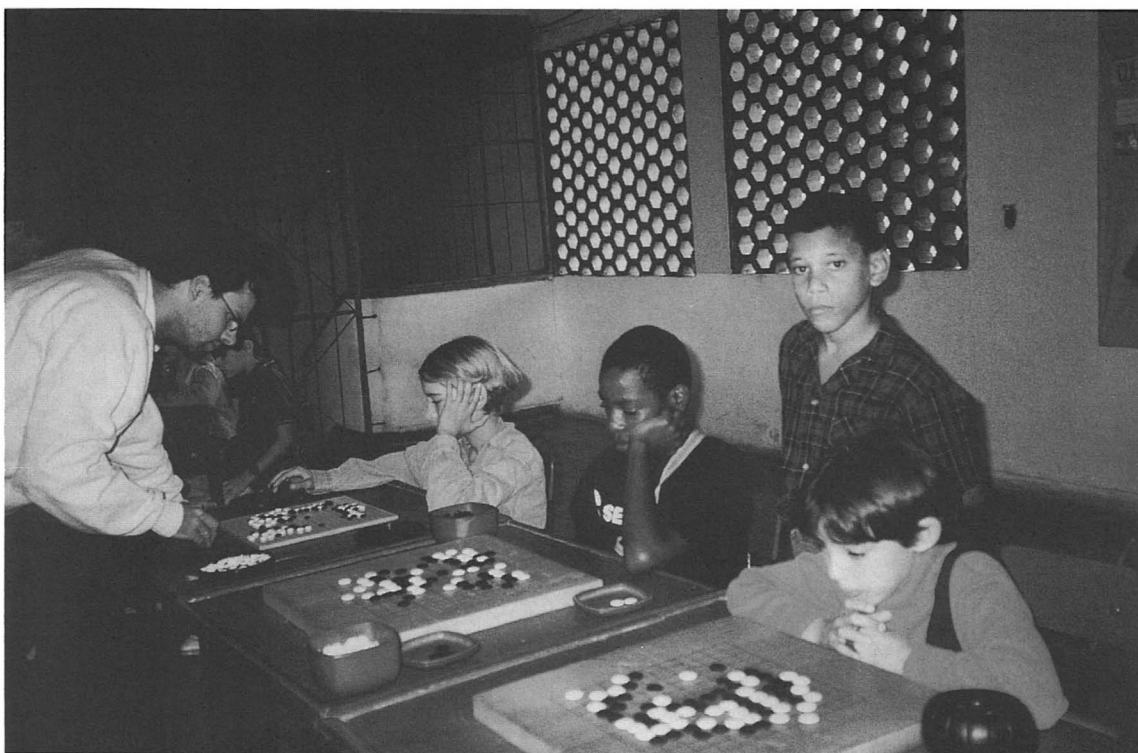
#### **News from Venezuela and Cuba**

On December 30 and 31, a friendly meeting was held in Havana between three



*Pupils of the Cuban Go Academy with their teacher, Vadel González*





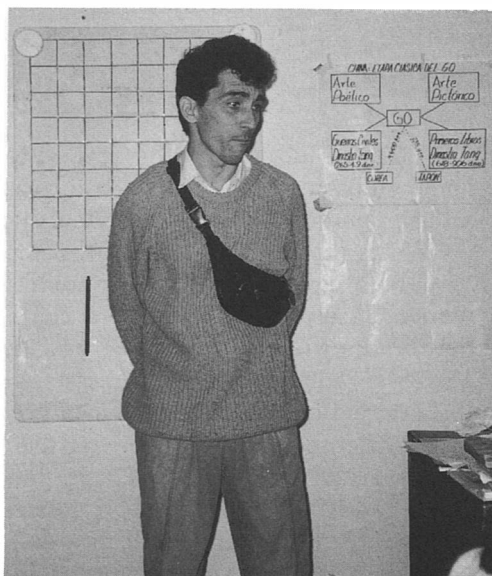
*Another scene from the Venezuelan visit to the Cuban Go Academy: Anshu Pankoke plays simultaneous games.*

players from the Venezuelan Go Association and members of the Cuban Go Federation. The Venezuelan players had the opportunity to play two rounds of simultaneous games against the children of the Cuban Academy of Go. The school is located within a sports complex; its director and teacher is Mr. Vadel González. Five pupils from every school grade from third grade up — all with outstanding scholastic results — were selected to form a group of 30 children participating in the project. Professor Vadel's work has achieved excellent results so far, and the objective for this year is to form another group of children who will receive instruction in the Asian House. This large-scale project calls for the creation of similar groups in other Cuban provinces as soon as teaching materials become available.

#### **Miscellaneous through the Internet**

The Federation has contacted other groups of players in Uruguay and Colombia. Uruguay has 12 players at the Facultad de Ciencias in the university. Their levels are

between 5- and 6-kyu on the IGS; they meet once a week and take lessons from Korean players. Their contact address is: (wrferrer@cmat.edu.uy).



*Professor Vadel González, director of the Cuban Go Academy*



*A scene from the Delhi Go Club*

Colombia has five players in Bogotá and other people have been asking for information about go.

With the help of the newly established federation, we see a brighter future for go in our area.

*(Report by Maria D. Puerta)*

## **India**

The Go Club, one of the up-and-coming game clubs in Delhi, has been increasingly arousing interest amongst people of all ages.

It was started here, in early September 1996, by a Japanese professional player who demonstrated the game with a completely new and different concept. Later, in July 1997, the Delhi Go Club was registered with the International Go Federation. Every Saturday afternoon, go is played at the Japan Cultural and Information Centre in New Delhi (address: 32, Ferozshah Road). The club members gather here to improve their skills in this fascinating game under the special guidance and support provided by centrea

Mr. Teruaki Horiuchi, an official of the Japanese Embassy, and other resident Japanese.

Indian history reveals that there was a game similar to go played in the late 17th century. Thus, Indians have been developing more and more interest and membership of the go club is growing. Though the game is new in India, go has met with an extremely good response and the go club has become one of the most successful game clubs in Delhi. The Delhi Go Club has decided to send one of its best players to participate in the 1998 WAGC. The other go players are also very excited and are eagerly looking forward to this big event.

The go club plans to further expand its branches in the other metropolitan cities to popularize go all over India. Also, during 1998, a small branch of the Delhi Go Club, called the Prince Go Club, is likely to be started at the Prince Public School located in Mehrauli, Delhi.

The Go Club hopes to make a contribution to strengthening the bonds among all nations and to creating awareness of this ancient Oriental game amongst one and all.

## International Go Federation



*The late Shizuo Asada, founding President of the International Go Federation*

The biggest change for the IGF was a sad one, that is, the death of its longtime president Mr. Shizuo Asada. He was a great friend to go and in particular performed sterling services for the IGF. His presence will be sorely missed.

The new president is Mr. Fumio Watanabe, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Nihon Ki-in.

Other appointments decided at the annual meeting of the board of directors in June 1997 were:

Yusuke Oeda as Office Director  
Brad Melki (Oceania) as Vice President  
Hisao Taki as an adviser to the IGF  
Matsuo Toshimitsu as an adviser to the IGF.

There are currently two other Vice Presidents in office:

Chen Zude (China)  
Alan Held (Europe).

At the General Meeting, three new countries were admitted as members: Croatia, Israel, and Yugoslavia. That brings the total number of members to 51.

As was apparent to those who played in the 19th WAGC, the tournament has changed from traditional byo-yomi to Canadian Overtime, as a result of a postal vote taken during the previous year.

The Japanese sponsors of the World Women's Amateur Go Championship informed the IGF that for the time being they would be unable to stage the tournament. In a separate development, Korea indicated that it wished to hold a women's amateur championship. This was actually held in Seoul in August/September 1997 [see report in the first section of this yearbook] and the sponsors plan to repeat it in 1998.

The IGF has opened up negotiations with the International Olympic Committee and hopes to obtain official recognition of go. This is not the same as becoming an Olympic discipline, but it is hoped that official recognition would prove advantageous. In particular, it should help various member federations to obtain governmental support and generally raise the level of go at the international level.

Change of staff: After several years of devoted service to international go, Mr. Yoshio Saheki has retired from the Nihon Ki-in. The new man in charge of the Overseas Department is Mr. Toshio Kawamoto.

*(Report by Alan Held and Brad Melki)*

## The Netherlands

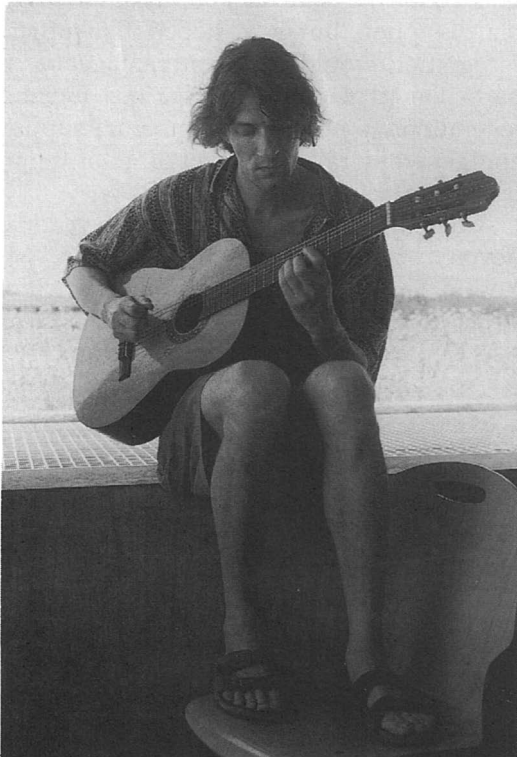
by Rudi Verhagen

### Go in the Netherlands 1995–97

This is the first Dutch contribution to the Yearbook since we reported about the European Go Congress held in Maastricht in 1994, so we would like to give an update from 1995 to the present.

### The Dutch Championship

Staged in the EGCC, the Dutch National Championship is played over eight rounds on two weekends in January and February. Besides the honour and a little prize money this tournament decides a lot of qualifications, such as the World Amateur Go Championship, the Ing cup, the European team championship, and sponsorship for the European championship. In 1995 there was no favourite for the national title because 1994 (and 14-time) winner Ronald Schlemper had left for Japan. After eight rounds the results were:



*Gilles van Eeden is also a virtuoso player off the go board.*

### 1995

- 1st: Gilles van Eeden, 7–1
- 2nd: Gerald Westhoff, 6–2
- 3rd: Mark Boon, 6–2.

This was Gilles's first national title and he represented the Netherlands in 1996 in the World Amateur Go Championship. In that tournament he beat former World Amateur Champion Hirata Hironori.

1996 was the first year that Guo Juan played in the Dutch Championship and, as expected, she beat all of her opponents, finishing two points ahead in the end. The results:

### 1996

- 1st: Guo Juan, 8–0
- 2nd: Frank Janssen, 6–2
- 3rd: Gerald Westhoff, 5–3.

There is a complicated points system that decides who goes to the WAGC (Guo Juan doesn't want to qualify). Gerald Westhoff qualified in 1997. In 1997 Guo Juan won the Championship again with 8–0. Frank Janssen came second with a slightly better result than the previous year; he will represent Holland in 1998.

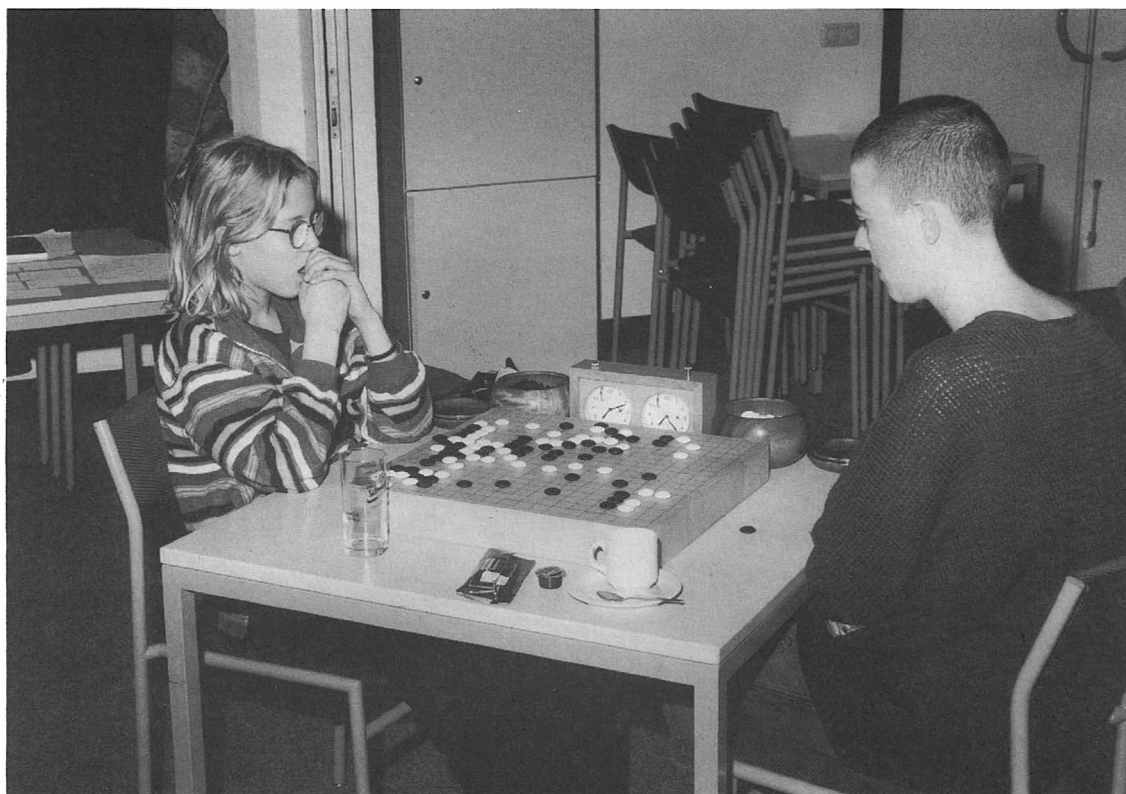
### 1997

- 1st: Guo Juan, 8–0
- 2nd: Frank Janssen, 7–1
- 3rd: Gilles van Eeden, 6–2.

### Dutch Women's Championship

In 1995 an official Dutch Women's Championship was held for the first time. After five rounds Marianne Diederer, Geer Korpel and Anne Boelens had four points. After a playoff Marianne became the first official Dutch Woman Champion.

In 1996 also there was no decision after five rounds. Both Renée Fr  h   (only 12 years old) and Marianne Diederer scored four points. After a thrilling match, Ren  e beat Marianne and qualified for the World Women's Championship.



*In 1996 the 12-year-old Renée Fr  h   won the Women's Championship.*

In 1997 the participation dropped to just three. Els Buntsma became Champion ahead of Ren  e Fr  h  .

### **Dutch Team Championship**

In 1995 'King One Eye' (Frank Janssen, Stijn van Dongen and Mark Willems) from Amstelveen won the team championship with 4-1 just ahead of 'Enschede' (Rudi Verhagen, Walther Warnaar, Willemkoen Pomstra) on 4-1 and 'Leiden' (Filip Vanderstappen, Rob Koopman, Micha van der Leest), also on 4-1. Going on their past record, 'Enschede' (Rudi Verhagen, Walther Warnaar and Erik Henselmans) should win the tournament in 1996. Why? Because they were 5th in 1992, 4th in 1993, 3rd in 1994 and 2nd in 1995. Sure enough, 'Enschede' won the tournament with 5-0 ahead of 'Tilburg' (Willemkoen Pomstra, Ad Kampwart, Dave de Vos) on 4-1 and 'Enschede II' (Marcel Bloemena, Ward Nijo, Taco Peters) on 3-2. In 1997 'Leiden' (Geert Groenen, Michiel Eijkhout, Filip Vanderstappen) took the title they last held three years back.

'Hilversum' with Guo Juan, Robert Rehm and Wiet Bouma came second and 'King One Eye' (Frank Janssen, Stijn van Dongen, Mark Willems) third.

### **Amsterdam Grand Prix**

Next to the Obyashi Cup (see the EGCC report), the Amsterdam tournament (also held in the EGCC) is the biggest Dutch go event. It takes four days and starts on Ascension day. In 1995 Guo Juan ruled the tournament with 7-0 ahead of Robert Rehm (5-2) and Shen Guangji (5-2). The following year the Amsterdam tournament celebrated its 25th anniversary. Apart from reducing the number of rounds by one, there were no special features. Miyakawa Wataru (6-0) won, while Mark Boon (5-1) and Guo Juan (5-1) came second and third. In 1997 Guo Juan (6-0) won again, ahead of Park Sang-Nam (5-1) and Farid BenMalek (4-2).

### **Sponsorship**

Since 1996 the Dutch Go Association has been able to sponsor the strongest players to



*Promoting go among children is a priority for the Dutch Go Association.*

take part in all kinds of European and world championships. This is made possible through money offered by the National Olympic and Sports Federation and the National Sport Lotteries. This sponsorship replaces the support from the ministry of sports that benefited the Association the previous 15 years. One of the institutions still remaining from this sponsorship is the Central Training, regular teaching sessions for top players. In 1998 the training will be extended to players of all strengths.

### **Publicity**

Publicity for go has been quite good recently. There have been four items on national television during the last three years. What really attracts media interest is a title match game with large prize money or events with children. To stimulate clubs, the association organises a teacher day each year where new promotional and teaching material is introduced. These events have led to new developments in several regions.

### **Go Magazine**

*Go*, the magazine of the Dutch Go Association, went into its 34th year of publication in 1997. It is still appearing six times each year with 64 pages of Dutch, European and Eastern go news, game commentaries for all levels, and original articles by Dutch go players. We are very happy with the improvements during recent years. The layout has changed, and also the size has increased about 15%, so it's now possible to read the diagrams and text without a monocle. Since 1996 there have been pages especially for young readers. Much of this section is created by the young players themselves.

### **Youth players**

One of the policies of the Dutch Go Association is to interest more young people in playing go. It's easy to teach children the game and with a little patience they continue playing. In the last few years the number of young players has been increasing in the Netherlands. This is also true of the number of tournaments held especially for children.



*Guo Juan takes a keen interest in spreading go among young players.*

More detail on children's projects can be found in the EGCC report

### **International participation**

The main standard bearer for Holland is former professional Guo Juan. She won the European Championship in 1994, 1995, 1996, and 1997. Furthermore, she has an impressive string of victories in Grand Prix tournaments, Fujitsu Finals, and the Ing Cup. Another ace for the Netherlands is Rob van Zeijst, who won the Fujitsu Finals in 1994 and 1997. He represented Europe in the Tong Yang Cup and the Wang Wi title preliminary rounds in Korea in 1996 and in each tournament managed to beat 7-dan Korean professionals.

### **Board changes**

Over the last three years the board of the Dutch Go Association has almost completely changed. In September 1997 Jan van Rongen became the new president. He took the place of Walther Warnaar, who was interim president for half a year when Rob Koopman left the board after being president for three years. Rob van Aurich is treasurer, Rudi Verhagen became secretary and Michiel

Eijkhout, Filip Vanderstappen and Harry van der Krogt are new board members. The contact address is:

Dutch Go Association  
c/o European Go Centre  
Schokland  
141181 Amstelveen  
Tel. 020-6455555  
E-mail: egcc@xs4all.nl

It's also possible to obtain information about Dutch Go life on the internet:  
<http://www.rug.nl/extern/gobond>.

### **Tournaments in the Netherlands in 1997**

In the Netherlands there are a lot of tournaments. In 1997 there were 24 tournaments, not taking into account several national championships and youth events. In all these tournaments, a total of almost 1400 players took part. Most tournaments are weekend tournaments, but in the last few years one-day tournaments have become more popular.

Details of the most important go tournaments follow on the next page.



*Guo Juan, Europe's top player*

### January

4,5: New Year's Tournament (Heerlen): Rudi Verhagen 4-dan 5-0.  
18, 19, Dutch Women's Championship (Amstelveen): Els Buntsma 2-kyu.

### February

1, 2: Dutch Championship (Amstelveen): Guo Juan 7-dan 8-0, Frank Janssen 6-dan 7-1  
1, 2: Scheve ogen (Amstelveen): Mark Boon 6-dan 5-0.  
15: Heerhugowaard: Frank Janssen 6-dan.

### March

1, 2: Dutch Team Ch'ship (Enschede): Leiden (Groenen/Eijkhout/Vanderstappen) 4-1  
7-9: Ing Cup Main Tournament (Amstelveen): Guo Juan 7-dan 6-0, Cristian Pop 6-dan 5-1.  
8,9: Ing Cup Side Tournament (Amstelveen): Jan van der Steen 3-dan 4-1.  
16, 17: Keizer Karel (Nijmegen): Gilles van Eeden 6-dan 4-1.  
29, 30: Leids Easter Tournament (Leiden): Geert Groenen 5-dan 10-1.

### April

6: Dutch Pair Go (Amstelveen): Renée Fréché

1-kyu/Rob Kok 3-dan 3-1.

12: Dutch Lightning ('s-Gravenhage): Robert Rehm 5-dan 7-0.

19, 20: Tilburg: Robert Rehm 5-dan 5-0.

26: Dutch Youth Championship (Eindhoven): Merlijn Kuin 1-kyu 5-0, Renée Fréché 1-kyu 4-1.

### May

8-11: Amsterdam (Amstelveen): Guo Juan 7-dan 6-0, Park Sam-Nam 6-dan 5-1.

### June

21, 22: Utrecht: Robert Rehm 5-dan 5-0.

### July

12, 13: Leidse Lakenfeest (Leiden): Robert Rehm 5-dan 5-0.

### August

24: Beach Tournament ('s-Gravenhage): Rudi Verhagen 5-dan 8-2.

### September

6, 7: Obayashi Cup (Amstelveen): Zhang Shutai 7-dan beat Zhao Pei 6-dan.  
21: Hilversum Rapid: Guo Juan 7-dan 5-0.  
27, 28: Brabants Go Tournament (Eindhoven): Guo Juan 7-dan 5-0.

### October

4, 5/18, 19, Dutch Qualifying Championship (Amstelveen): Stijn van Dongen 3-dan 7-1, Robert Rehm 5-dan 7-1.  
12: Apeldoorn (handicap): Xian-Ming Zheng 2-kyu 5-0.

### November

15, 16: Martini Cup (Groningen): Gilles van Eeden 6-dan 5-0.  
29, 30: Arnhem: Willemkoen Pomstra 5-dan 4-1.

### December

7: Embassy Tournament (Amstelveen): André Engels 1-dan.  
13: Go-gong Tournament (Leiden): Arnoud Rutgers van der Loeff 3-dan 5-1.  
13, 14: Fujitsu Finals (Amstelveen): Catalin Taranu 2-dan pro beat Christian Pop 6-dan in the final.  
20, 21, Rotterdam: Wan-Kee Joo 5-dan 4-1.



## New Zealand

1997 was a quiet but satisfactory year for the New Zealand Go Society. We held our normal regional and national championships and sent representatives to the WAGC, the world amateur pair go championship, the NEC handicap tournament in Australia, and the first South East Asia teams tournament. We also hosted a visit from about ten members of the Kansai Ki-in.

Over the last few years go playing in New Zealand has become more concentrated in our largest city, Auckland. This is mainly due to immigration from Asian countries and consequently both numbers playing and playing strength have increased. However, outside of Auckland go playing has decreased. The problem is the difficulty of attracting people to learn and start playing the game. We plan to attack this problem more deliberately this year than in the past. In Auckland we will open one or two beginner evenings each week early in the evening aimed particularly at school children. We will also employ a

person to make visits to schools to teach the game. If this succeeds we will look for ways to expand the program. In part, what we are doing is inspired by the Singapore Weiqi Association, which hosted the 1st South East Asian teams tournament and has a very impressive and successful school program.

*(Report by Colin Grierson)*

## Portugal

*A long time ago . . .*

Portugal was the first Western country to establish contacts with Japan, in the 15th century. Later there were frequent contacts and at the end of the 19th century an important Portuguese writer, Venceslau de Moraes, established himself in Japan. But there were no known signs, in more than four centuries, that the game of go had been introduced into Portugal.

*The first birth (1974–76)*

In 1974 the Japanese Embassy sent



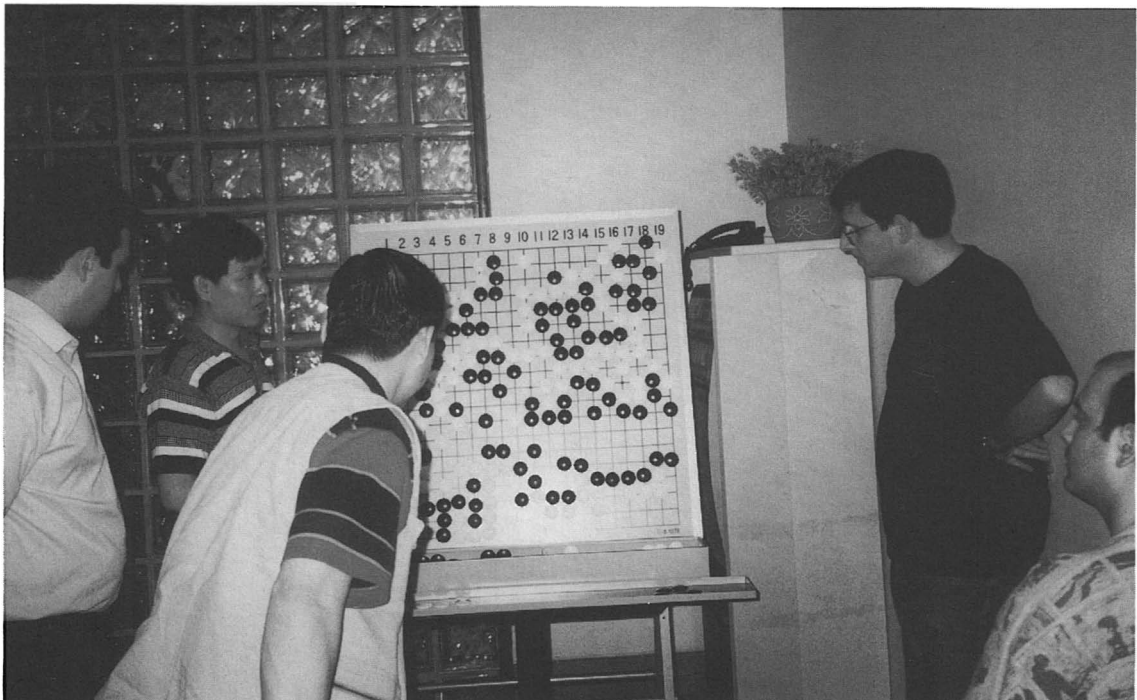
*Playing go at the Lisbon club*



*Another scene from the Lisbon club*

several go books, translated into Portuguese, to the Portuguese Chess Federation. As a result, people in some chess clubs started to play go and some championships were held. As there was no possibility of getting boards

and stones, the players had to make their own. However, because there were so few players, go didn't progress and eventually disappeared.



*A go lesson at the Lisbon club*

*The second birth (1991–94)*

In 1991, some Japanese businessmen living in Lisbon, under the leadership of Mr. Higashimura, started weekly lessons at a strategic games club. From these meetings came the people who, in 1993, founded the A.P. Go (Portuguese Go Association). However, it was only in 1992, with the holding of a Japanese cultural week, that the game of go became known to the public. Mr. Yoshinori Kano 9-dan made two presentations at a public forum and a university. As a result, new faces appeared at the Sunday meetings.

In 1993, Mr. Noriyuki Nakayama 6-dan came to Lisbon, where he played some teaching games. It was in this year that Portugal participated in the WAGC for the first time. Another first was the appearance at the 1994 European Go Congress in Maastricht of three Portuguese players.

*Today*

Due to problems like the lack of dan-level players (the only such player, Mr. O'Hara, left Portugal in 1995) and a (more) regular playing venue, the practice of go in Portugal has been making slow progress.

However, in 1997, the Association started an Internet page and a journal, translated some teaching material from the EGCC, and so enjoyed some success in popularizing go. Also, a visit by Mr. Song Xuelin and Mrs. Chen Hiufang was a success.

With very few members (22) and only a club in Lisbon, the A.P. Go is still struggling to spread go to the other major cities and among the young. The geographical position of Portugal, facing the sea, leaves us far away from the main tournaments in Europe.

*Tomorrow*

Donations, mainly from the EGCC and the Ing Foundation, to A.P. Go have now made it possible to hold publicity sessions to increase the popularity of go in Portugal. We meet every Sunday in Lisbon (Rua do Cruzeiro 39, at the Café Com Tradições) at 16:00. Our Internet address is: <http://home.eunet.pt/~jrapos/apgo/index.htm>

## Romania

### Romanian Go 1997

The National Championship had an unexpected result: four players — Sorin Gherman 6-dan, Robert Mateescu 6-dan, Mihai Bisca 5-dan, and Cristian Pop 6-dan — all ended with the same score of five wins (out of seven games). Cristian Pop has gone to Japan to become an insei, so the other three will play a deciding tournament.

The other important title, the Romanian Cup, held in April, was won by Sorin Gherman. The other places: Uta Matei 3-dan, second; Cristian Pop, 3rd.

The Women's Championship was won by Corina Tarina 1-dan, and the National Pair Championship by Irina Suciuc 3-kyu and Lucretiu Calota 5-dan.

The National Youth Championship, with large-scale support by the Ministry of Education, was held in Orsova. There were 80 participants, and the 17–18 age group was won by Cornel Burzo 2-dan.

The main event of the autumn was the Bucharest Grand Prix. Over 100 players from five countries participated, and the surprising winner was Liviu Oprisan 4-dan. Second was Cristian Pop and Catalin Prescure 4-dan was third.

### International

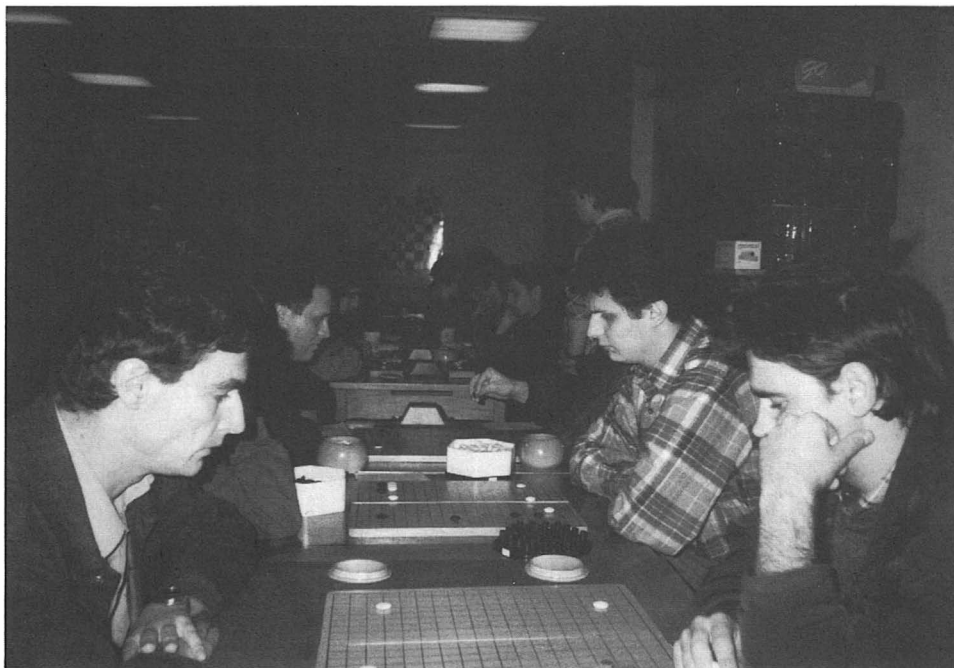
The most important achievement of the year was, beyond doubt, the achievement of professional status at the Nihon Ki-in by Catalin Taranu. Another success was the 5th place taken by Cristian Pop at the 19th WAGC. The same two players met in the final of the European Fujitsu Cup in December (Taranu won).

Last but not least, at the European Go Congress in Marseilles, Romania, with approximately 60 players, had one of the largest teams.

### Plans for 1998

For the first time, the European Go Congress will be held in Romania, at Mamaia from 25 July to 7 August.

Publishing a national Romanian go magazine and supporting trainers to promote the game in schools are another two



*The Bucharest Grand Prix tournament (September 1997)*

priorities.

### **Go in Romania**

Go was first played in Romania in the 1940's, by a group led by Walter Schmidt in

Timisoara.

In the 80's, the game spread more widely, especially in schools and universities, mostly through the books and articles written by Gheorghe Paun and published thanks to the



*Mihai Bisca 5-dan (left) plays Daniel Ralea 3-dan in the Ing Cup (January 1998)*

enthusiastic support of Mr. Albescu, the general manager of the Stiinta si Tehnica publishing group.

There were many other people who made important contributions to spreading this beautiful game: Sumiya Haruya, a Romanian–Japanese translator, who introduced a lot of go books and material; Zhang Hai Tao and Liu Fang Hua, both strong players, who played important roles in raising the playing level of Romanian players; Cristian Cobeli, who discovered and trained many youngsters, including the strongest Romanian players, Catalin Taranu and Cristian Pop; Radu Baciu, who is the 'father' of many of the top players; George Stihi, who was the best organizer in the history of Romanian go and to whom the competition system is mainly owed.

Romanian players have had some remarkable performances. Names like Catalin Taranu, the first European professional player at the Nihon Ki-in, Cristian Pop, who took 5th place in the 1997 WAGC, Sorin Gherman, Robert Mateescu, and Mihai Bisca are all well known in Europe. There are more than 20 Romanian players of 4-dan level or higher. And besides our professional player, Romania has four other players as inseis in Japan.

The Romanian Go Federation has been an independent department in the Sports Ministry since 1986. The federation coordinates the activities of the clubs in 20 cities. The National Rating List includes 550 players (who have played in official tournaments in the last two years), and 70% of them are under 18 years of age.

*(Report by Mihai Opris)*

## **Slovakia**

### **The 2nd European Youth Go Championship**

The greatest go event in the Slovak Republic in 1997 was the 2nd European Youth Go Championship, which was held in the House of Sports in Bratislava on March 6–9, 1997. Over 100 young players came from 12 countries to participate in this champion-

ship. They were divided into two groups: A group for players 12 to 18 and B group for players under 12.

*The results in A group (60 players):*

- 1st: Dmitrii Bogatskii 5-dan (Ukraine)
- 2nd: Jonas Fincke 3-dan (Germany)
- 3rd: Paul Drouot 4-dan (France)

*The results in B group (25 players):*

- 1st: Antoine Fenech 1-kyu (France)
- 2nd: Vasilii Schvedov 5-kyu (Russia)
- 3rd: Pal Balogh 2-kyu (Hungary).

There was also a C group for other players. The results were:

- 1st: Rustam Sakhabutdinov 5-dan (Russia)
- 2nd: Arkadii Bogatskii 5-dan (Ukraine)
- 3rd: Eugeny Panyukov 1-dan (Russia).

The championship was honoured by a visit by the Japanese professional players Kitano Ryo 5-dan and Shigeno Yuki 2-dan. Both played go with children from morning till late evening every day.

### **Slovak Go Championship**

The 6th Slovak Go Championship was held in Kosice from 10 to 13 July 1997. Miroslav Poliak from Galanta became the Slovak Champion for the third year in a row. Second was Vladimir Lassak 3-dan from Brati-slava and third Miroslav Kostolansky 2-dan, also from Bratislava.

The Women's Championship was won by Lubica Lassakova from Bratislava. Juraj Palancar from Kosice became the Youth Champion. The boys and girls school champions were Tomas Liptak (Tornala) and Alexandra Smidova (Bratislava). The Pair Go tournament was won by Lubica Lassakova and Ivo Svec (Bratislava). Shigeno Yuki honoured this tournament with a visit.

### **Grand Prix of Slovakia 1997**

The Slovak Go Association organized the fifth series of the Grand Prix of Slovakia in 1997. The series consists of eight tournaments held in five towns around the country. There were 92 participants, who were divided into two groups (the 1st and 2nd leagues).

Twenty players competed in the 1st league (the top 15 from 1996 and the top five from the 1996 2nd league). The other players were assigned to the 2nd league. The winner of the 1st league was the 17-year-old girl Lubica Lassakova 5-kyu. The 2nd league was won by her younger sister Vladimira (nine years old).

### **Fujitsu Grand Prix d'Europe Bratislava**

The fourth Fujitsu Grand Prix d'Europe tournament was held in the House of Sports in Bratislava on October 11 and 12, 1997, with 66 players from nine countries participating.

The tournament was won by Victor Bogdanov 6-dan of Russia, who won all five of his games (as he did the previous year). Second place was taken by Andrey Gomeniuk from Russia and third by Leon Matoh from Slovenia, both of whom scored four wins.

### **Ing tournaments**

We organized five Ing tournaments during 1997. The winners were: Lucia Lassakova, Alexander Zsigmondy, Juraj Palencar, Lubica Lassakova, and Lubomir Stulajter.

### **Govolenka 1997**

The name of this event is a little play on words in the Slovak language. The word 'dovolenka' means 'holiday,' and changing just the first letter gives us 'go holiday'. We spent a beautiful week in nature in the hills that surround Bratislava to the north. There was a lot of go-playing, a lot of beer, and a lot of fun. The organizers are looking forward to holding the next Govolenka.

### **European Go Congress 1999**

The 43rd European Go Congress will be held in Bratislava from July 24 to August 7, 1999. Every go player, dan, kyu or beginner, is welcome.

## **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 oc-

curing in the last year and with the history of the Lado Omejc Memorial tournament. The 1997 go calendar in Slovenia was much the same as the previous year. The main events are listed below.

### **The 9th Lado Omejc Memorial**

Since 1993 this tournament has had the status of a Grand Prix tournament. This year it was held in Bled on 13–15 April, and 56 players from ten countries took part (33 had dan rankings, of whom 18 were 4-dan or stronger). The winner was Alexei Lazarev (Russia), second was Csaba Mero (Hungary), and third Victor Bogdanov (Russia). The Slovenian players Leon Matoh (5th), Milan Zakotnik (7th), and Eduard Ekart (10th) also earned Grand Prix points.

### **The 6th Slovenian Team Championship**

Three four-player teams competed in the final team tournament, held in Novo mesto on 10 May. The winner was the Novo mesto team of Matoh, Bizjak, Cefarin, and Jukic. The team from Kranj took second place and the Ljubljana team third.

### **The 10th Maribor Open**

This handicap tournament was held on 20 and 21 September with 24 players participating; 14 of them had dan rankings and eight were 3-dan or stronger. The winner was Leon Matoh with eight points, ahead of Tamar Cefarin on seven and Milan Zakotnik on six.

### **The 29th Slovenian Championship**

This, the seventh championship since Slovenia became independent, was held in Catez on 16–19 October. Seventeen players participated in the seven-round tournament. The winner and Slovenian champion was Leon Matoh with seven points, ahead of Dusan Jukic and Milan Zakotnik, both on five points.

### **Congress of the Slovenian Go Association**

At the annual congress, held on 18 October, the current executive was reelected, a new rating list was approved, and the report of the Kranj Go Club about preparations for the Grand Prix Tournament Bled 1998 (17–



*The closing ceremony of the Grand Prix tournament in Bled. From left: Alexei Lazarev, the winner, Mire Rupel (Slovenian Go Association treasurer), Peter Gaspari (president), and Milan Zakotnik (secretary).*

19 April) was accepted.

### **The 6th Ljubljana Open**

Fourteen players participated in this handicap tournament, held on 20 December.

The winner was Leon Match with five points; second was Eduard Ekart on four and third Peter Gaspari on three and a half points.



*The Women's Championship: (L to R) Vida Hernaus and Vera Rupel*

### **The 3rd Slovenian Women's Championship**

Three women took part in the final tournament, held on 10 May, for which the minimum qualifying level was 5-kyu. In the first section of the tournament, Vera Rupel beat Jasna Schatz, Schatz beat Vida Hernaus, and Hernaus beat Rupel, so all the players had one win and one loss. The second section was played as a knockout. Here Rupel beat Schatz, but then lost to Hernaus, so Hernaus won the tournament.

### **Publication**

For the 35th anniversary of Go društvo Ljubljana (founded on 22 December 1961), Peter Gaspari and Tamar Cefarin prepared a bulletin.

### **History of the Lado Omejc Memorial**

The Lado Omejc Memorial was held from 1989 to 1992 in Jezersko. Since 1993, when it attained the status of a Grand Prix tournament, it has been played in Bled. Winners to date are:

- 1989: Dusan Jukic (Slovenia)
- 1990: Zoran Mutabzija (Croatia)
- 1991: Milan Zakotnik (Slovenia)
- 1992: Milan Zakotnik (Slovenia)
- 1993: Shen Guanji (China)
- 1994: Shen Guanji (China)
- 1995: Shen Guanji (China)
- 1996: Alexei Lazarev (Russia)
- 1997: Alexei Lazarev (Russia)

## **Thailand**



*Logo of the Go Association of Thailand*

Go activities in Thailand made continuous progress in 1997. Go was disseminated to government agencies, companies, and, especially, educational institutes.

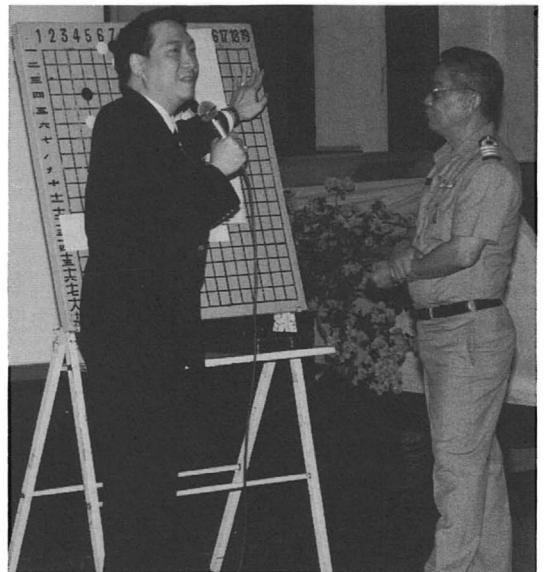


*Paying respect and showing gratitude*





*Congratulations to Veerachote on earning a 1-dan diploma*



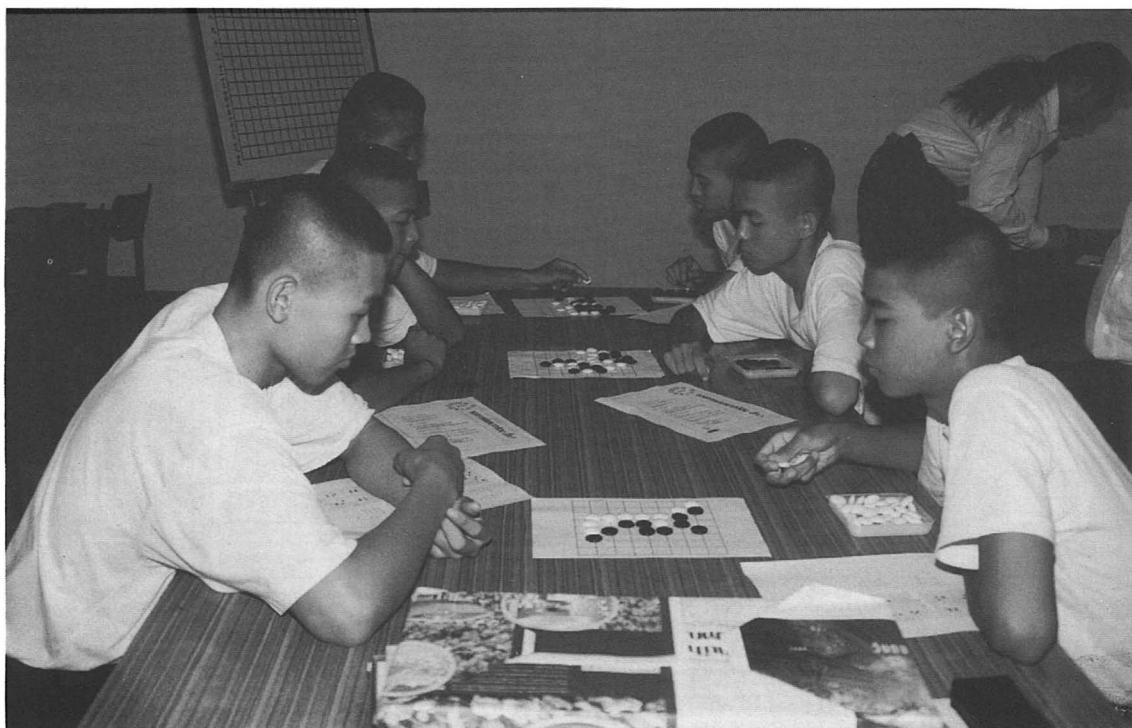
*Mr. Korsak explaining the rules of go at the Armed Forces Preparatory School*

We started off the year in January with a ceremony to show respect in the Thai manner to our three go teachers, namely, Mr. Korsak Chairasmisak, Mr. Adam Yan, and Mr. Surapon Intaratase. Cards were

provided by the club for its members to write down their gratitude and heartfelt notes to their teachers. On the same occasion, the first 1-dan diploma was presented to Mr. Veerachote Ngamjarassrivichai, who



*Demonstration game at the Rajamangala Institute of Technology, Northern Campus*



*Trying their hands at go on small boards*

had just graduated from Thammasat University.

In the same month, the 14th Rajamangala

Games were hosted by the Rajamangala Institute of Technology on its Northern Campus in Chiangmai. Participating were



*The 1st Thailand Championship: Mr. Ronnarit Virachanang receives the first prize for a Thai member.*



*What is go?*

students from 42 Rajamangala institutes all over the country. Go was included as a demonstration game, and exhibitions on go history and go activities were also held.

In March, Mr. Korsak Chairasmisak gave a special presentation on go strategy at the Armed Forces Academies Preparatory School, attended by officials from the



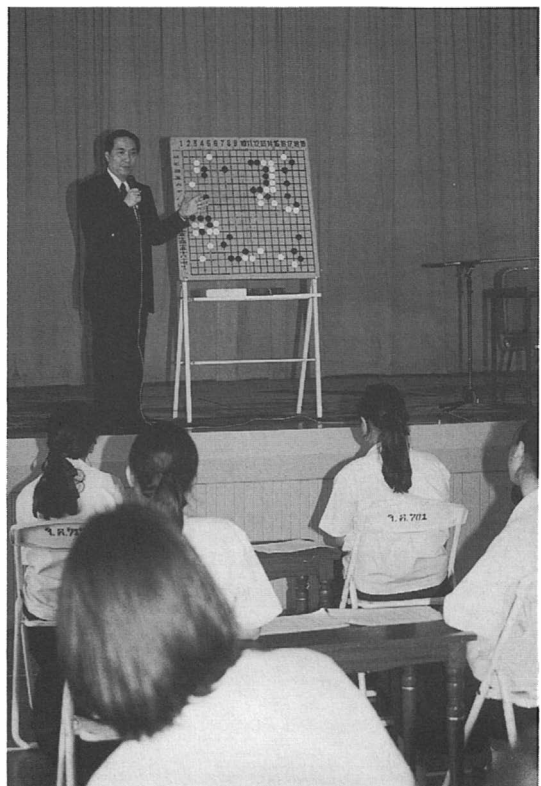
*Dr. Pichit Rattakul, Bangkok Governor, seems to be enjoying his introduction to go concepts.*



*Playing go along the 'Walking Street'*



*Exchanging souvenirs  
with our visitors from China.*



*Mr. Korsak with high school students*



*Young Chinese go ambassadors*

Education Department, Supreme Command Headquarters. The Director of the Army Training Command Department also attended. The Physical Education Division of the Armed Forces Academies Preparatory

School has now established a go club on the campus. Basic go classes were conducted for 1st- and 2nd-year students throughout the 1997 school year.

In June we organized two tournaments:



*Age doesn't matter!*



*Having fun!*

the Standard Rating 1997 to test the 5–10 kyu official ranking levels of our members, 12 of whom participated; and the 1st Thailand Open Championship for members 4-kyu and up, 23 of whom, both Thai and for-

eign, participated. These two tournaments were organized to encourage the development of skill by members and to establish the standard for higher-level competitions.

In July we conducted an exhibition on go



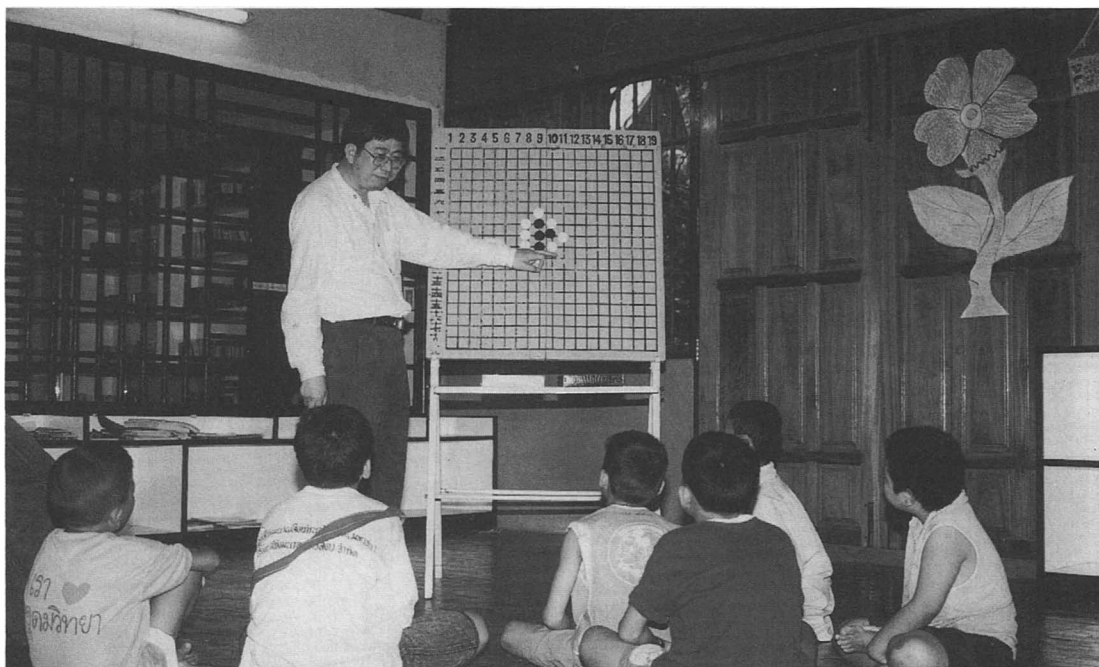
*Dr. Kosa with Grade 1 girls*



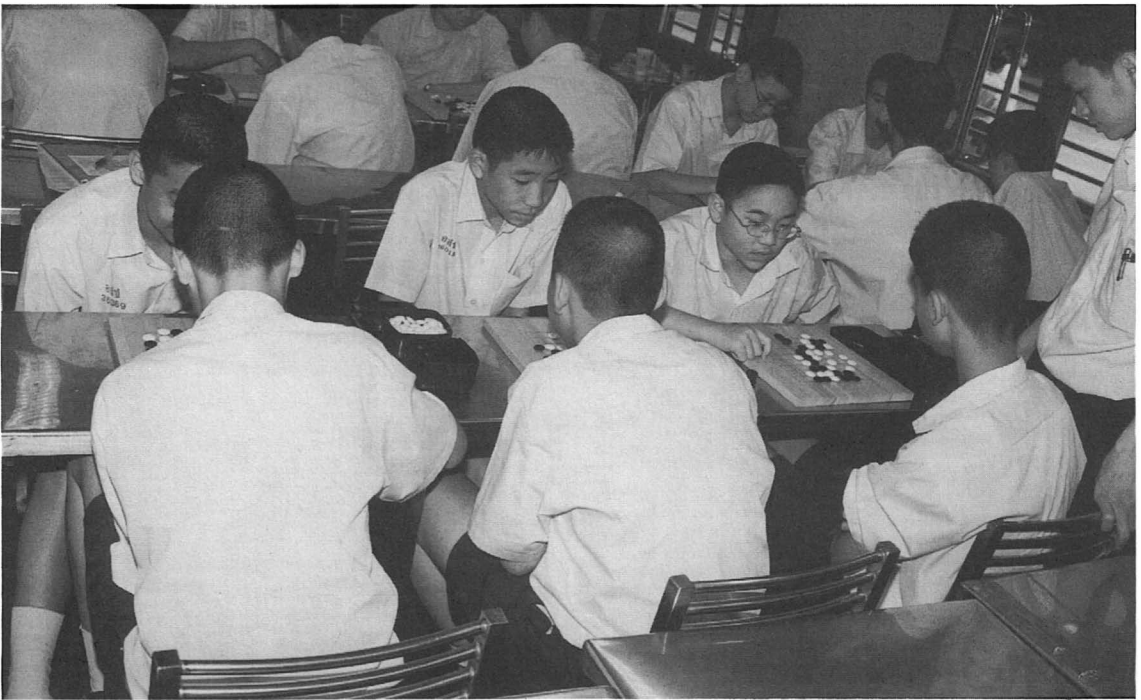
*Saint Joseph's Convent girls at play*

history and the club's activities at the Bangkok Technical Campus of the Rajamangala Institute of Technology. In addition, a large number of interested students were introduced to go.

From 6 to 8 August 1997, the Go Association of Thailand and the C.P. Seven Eleven Co., Ltd. provided support in organizing go-training courses for a total of 50 trainees, comprising teachers, students, and



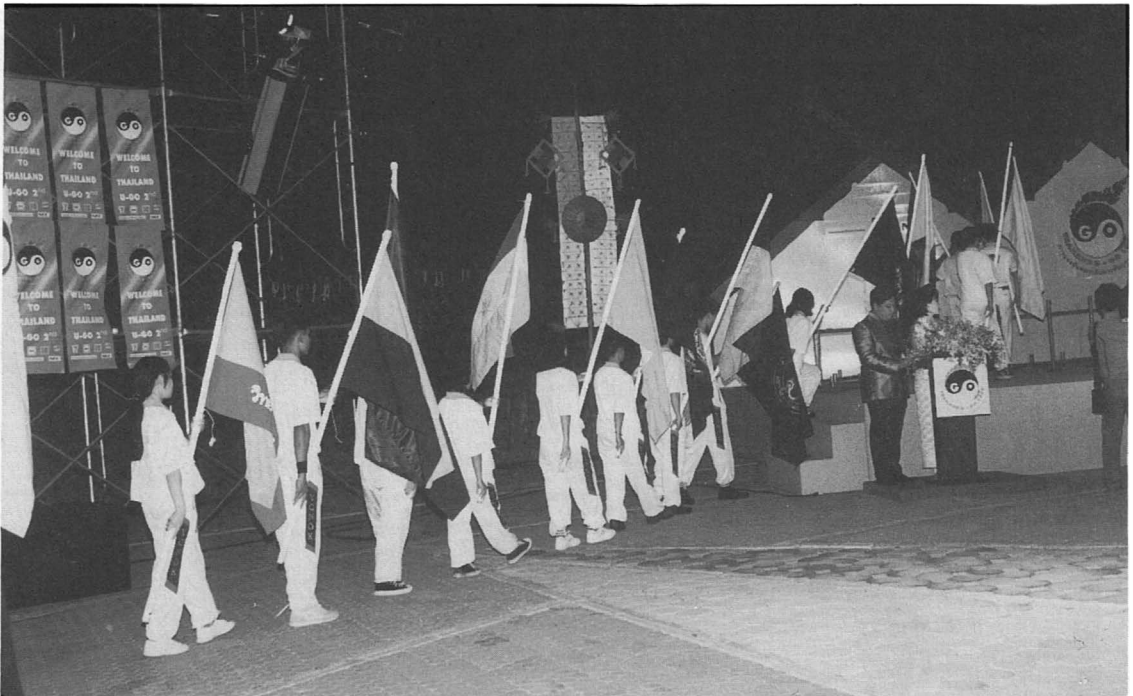
*All very attentive! Summer Hills Village School, Kanchanaburi under the Foundation for Children*



*Smart boys of Assumption College*

officials of the Department of Physical Education at the Rajamangala Institute of Technology Center. The opening ceremony was presided over by the Deputy Director Gen-

eral of the Department of Physical Education. Mr. Korsak Chairasmisak participated in the opening and the closing ceremonies and gave special presentations on 'Go and



*Marching with pride at the University Go Tournament*



Life Quality Development' and 'The Future of Go in Thailand'. In addition, we held basic go classes and organized a small tournament for the trainees.

In August, the Bankrak District Office of the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA) and the residents of Convent Road jointly organized the 'Walking Street' program for the first time. The Association participated in the event by presenting an exhibition on go history and demonstrating go playing. Many interested people joined in the event. Dr. Pichit Rattakul, BMA Governor, and the Permanent Secretary for BMA were introduced to go.

Later, in November, the Bangrak District Office organized the 'Walking Street' program once again, and the Association again held a go exhibition and provided places for interested people to play go by the roadside.

In mid-August we were honoured with a visit by a group of 19 members of the Jiangmen Sports Association of Guangdong, China, led by Mr. Liang Buojin, Chairman of the Association, and Mr. Yu Zhonghual, a 3-dan professional go player. They were welcomed by Mr. Korsak Chairasmisak and Dr. Kosa Ariya at a reception and dinner attended by our foreign and Thai members.

In addition, the Club organized a Goodwill Go Match, in which eight Thai players and eight young Chinese players participated.

At the end of August, we started promoting go among primary and secondary school students on a continuous basis. Training classes were organized for the following four schools:

- Chitrada School, a Royal school in the Chitrada Palace
- Saint Joseph's Convent School, Bangkok
- Summer Hills Village School (underprivileged children) under the Foundation for Children
- Assumption College, Bangkok.

With the success of the 1st University Go Tournament, the Go Association of Thailand and Yonok College jointly organized the 2nd University Go Tournament (U-GO II) on 14–17 October at Yonok College, Lampang. One hundred fifty-three students from 40 educational institutes all over the country participated. We are very grateful to the six main sponsors — C.P. Seven Eleven Co., Coca-Cola (Thailand), Lever Brothers (Thailand), Kodak (Thailand), Ammirati Puris Lintas (Thailand), and NEC (Thailand) — as well as 43 other supporters who collectively



*Thinking hard in the University Go Tournament*



*Luo Jianwen, 7-dan Chinese professional, playing teaching games*

contributed to the great success of U-GO II.

The event was honoured by the presence of Mr. Anukul Kunawong, acting for the Governor of Lampang, who presided over the opening ceremony, and by the presence of Dr. Supachai Panichpak, Deputy Prime Minister and President of the Yonok College Council, who presided over the closing ceremony. Our other guests of honour were Mr. Sok Ju Lee, Manager of the Korean Baduk Association, Mr. Leong Kok Hong, President of the Malaysian Go Association, Mr. Tiong Kee Soon, Vice President of the Malaysian Go Association, and professional go players and students from China, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, and, of course, Thailand. We organized two Student Friendship Matches, as well as teaching games conducted by the go professionals and students from the four countries; a large number of Thai students participated in these. The Thai students kept their guests playing until the small hours!

As for the outcome of the tournament, Chulalongkorn University won the U-GO II Championship, and the King Mongkut's Institute of Technology, Lat Krabang, took second place. The single female championship went to Maejo University, Chiangmai.

Our guests were very impressed by the Northern region's traditional 'Khan Tok' Welcome Party, coupled with beautiful Thai cultural performances and fireworks at the opening and closing ceremony.

We were invited to conduct an exhibition on go in the 'Intellectual World Exploration Week' of Chitrada School in November, during which a secondary school student go competition was organized.

In December the Go Association of Thailand, in cooperation with Coca-Cola (Thailand) and C.P. Seven Eleven, organized the 2nd Thailand Go Championship at Tawanna Ramada Hotel with a view to publicizing the game and encouraging the development of skill among its members. The tournament was divided into the following two divisions:

Division II (1-5 kyu): 16 participants

Division III (6-15 kyu): 68 participants.

On the final day of the competition, teaching games were conducted by foreign go players living in Bangkok. A lecture on go-playing strategies was also given by Mr. Korsak Chairasmisak.

We ended 1997 with another go



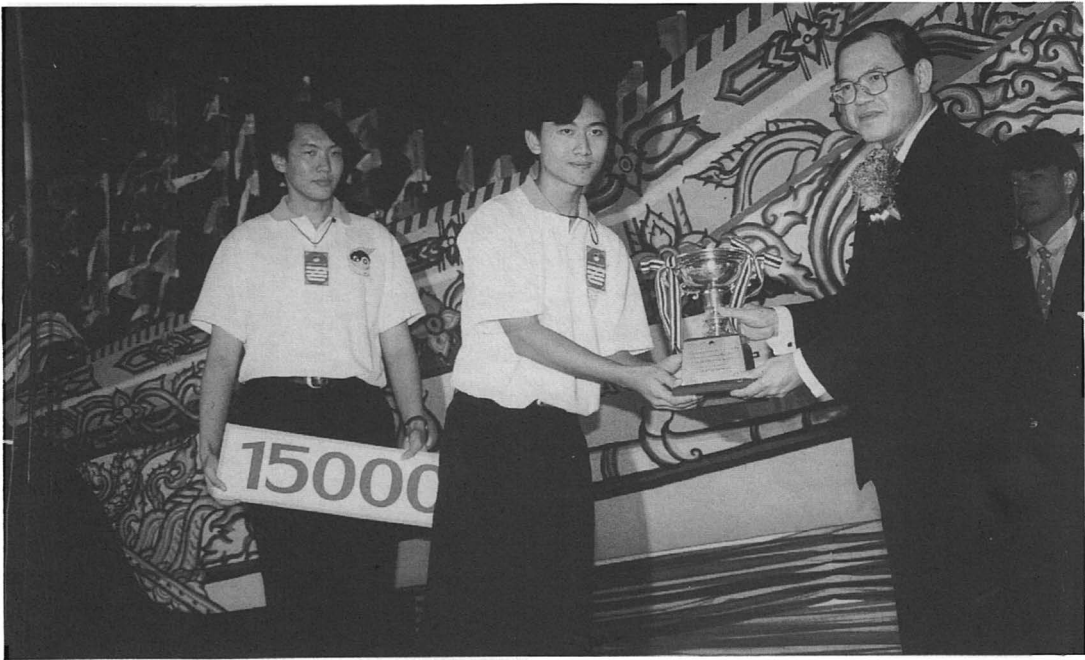
*Mr. Konno Naoki from the Tokyo Institute of Technology*

demonstration to a total of about 500 primary-school students at the Assumption College, Thonburi. The event was welcomed by a large number of interested students and their teachers.

During the year, we conducted 27 basic, pre-intermediate, intermediate and advanced courses for 205 participants. Mr. Korsak Chairasmisak managed to spare the time from his tight schedule for 23 lectures



*Mr. Seo Jung-Hun from Seoul National University*



*Dr. Supachai Panichpak, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Commerce, presents an award to the winning team of the King Mongkut's Institute of Technology, Lat Krabang.*

and talks on go at various education institutes and companies etc. and a total of 11 press interviews and TV and radio programs.

Numerous other activities were carried out—some of them are illustrated in the photos that follow.



*Welcome party at the University Go Tournament*



*Go—not that difficult! Playing at Chitrada School.*

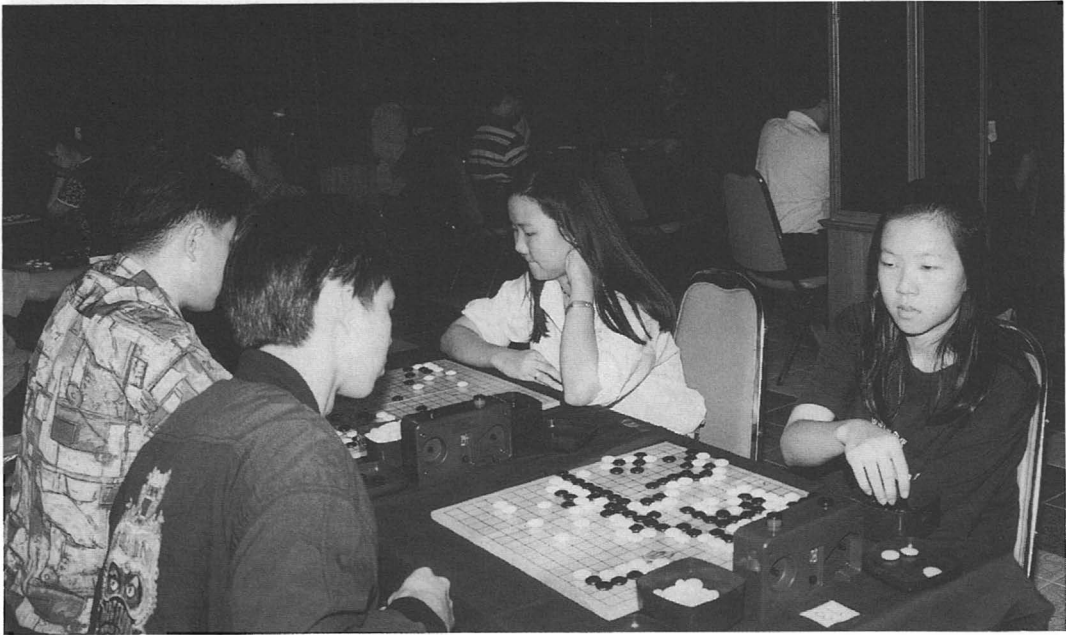
On the international front, we were represented at the following events:

June: The 19th WAGC in Sapporo. Our rep-

resentative, Mr. Korsak Chairasmisak, was accompanied by students from Thammasat University and Kasetsart University, the winning teams at U-GO-I, as observers.



*Chariya (Nui Nui), Mr. Korsak's daughter, playing in Division II in the 2nd Thailand Go Championship*



*Pondering the next move*

August: The 1st Southeast Asia Weiqi Championship at Singapore Intellectual Games Center, ICB Enterprise House, Singapore. Represented by Mr. Korsak Chairasmisak, Dr. Kosa Ariya, and Mr. Veerachote Ngamjarassrivichai.

November: 1. The Nogata '97 Asian International Igo Festival in the city of Nogata in Fukuoka Prefecture, Kyushu, Japan. Represented by Association members Mr. Wonchai Pracharuengvit and Mr. Piroon Rojmahomngkol.



*The prize-winners at the 2nd Thailand Go Championship*



*School children take a keen interest in posters about go.*

2. The 8th International Amateur Pair Go Championship in Tokyo. Represented by Ms. Puttarchart Lamontean and Mr. Tosaporn Intasorn.

Finally, we would like to record our con-

ulations to our three 1-dan members:

Mr. Veerachote Ngamjarussrivichai  
Mr. Paitoon Trakansakdikul  
Mr. Husdin Aekasinghachai.

*(Report by Vanthanee Namasonthi)*



*The future of Thai go! Classes at C.P. Seven Eleven office during school break.*

## United Kingdom



*Winners at the Devon tournament (13 July) (Photo: Tony Atkins)*

### **The 23rd London Open**

The traditional start to the British go year is the London Open, though in 1997 only it ended on New Year's Day. The 23rd such tournament, it was run again at Highbury Roundhouse by perennial organiser Harold Lee. It was attended by 150 players, of whom over a third were from mainland Europe. Again Hitachi were major sponsors, and the first six rounds counted for the European Grand Prix. The GP placings went to Guo Juan, Lee Hyuk, Zhang Shutai, Vladimir Danek, S.J. Kim, Matthew Macfadyen, Tony Goddard, S. Bae, Matthew Cocke, and Felix von Arnim. In the semi-finals, Guo beat Zhang and Lee beat Danek. In an exciting half-point final, Guo won to claim the £1,000 first prize. Lee was second, Macfadyen scraped up to third, and equal fourth were Danek and von Arnim. Oddly, Zhang was unplaced, having lost to Lee, Guo twice and Danek. Many prizes were awarded — mainly to the German players (M. Krings 11-kyu and C. von Arnim 6-kyu

won 7/8) — but there were also special youth prizes. Best British kyu player was Martin Smith 1-kyu on 6/8. As well as the main event, there were a four-a-side rengo competition, continuous 13x13, a guess-the-move competition, and even more winners in the lucky prize draw. The Lightning was won by Lee Hyuk from Zhang Shutai and Jim Sadler.

### **Regional tournaments**

In 1997, there were 19 regional tournaments, which were dominated, as in 1996, by one player in the spring and another in the autumn. The top British player, Matthew Macfadyen 6-dan, won four spring tournaments: Coventry, the Scottish in Glasgow, Leicester, and the Welsh in Barmouth. Antonio Moreno 3-dan won at Bracknell and at Devon. Cambridge was won by Matthew Cocke 5-dan, Furze Platt (Maidenhead) by T. Mark Hall 4-dan, and Bournemouth by Alastair Wall 4-dan. Wanstead was won by Park Hyung-Soo 5-dan, a Korean from Cam-



bridge, and Oxford by Walthar Warnaar 4-dan from the Netherlands. A new kyu players tournament in Cambridge called the Bar-Low was won by Jonathan Chin 1-kyu.

After the summer it was Bristol's Simon Shiu 3-dan who dominated at the Northern in Manchester, Milton Keynes, and Swindon. The first of these went on despite being on the same weekend as the funeral of Diana, Princess of Wales. Shrewsbury was won by Macfadyen, Wessex by Tony Goddard 5-dan, and the West Surrey Handicap by David Ward 3-dan. The Three Peaks Tournament in Yorkshire was won by Francis Roads 4-dan on a tie-break from its organizer Toby Manning 3-dan. The Small Board Championship, held in Cambridge, was won by local Korean Shin Yong Cheol.

### **The 30th British Go Congress**

The congress was held at Royal Holloway College in Egham, Surrey, part of the University of London. The main college building is very attractive, looking like a French chateau, but it has a bell that annoyingly strikes the hour all night. Despite this, the weekend was a lot of fun, with many chances to relax outside of the go playing and the annual meeting of the British Go As-

sociation. The British Lightning was run using a playing card draw system; winner with the Ace of Hearts was Des Cann 4-dan. In the British Open, Matthew Macfadyen lost to Alex Rix 4-dan, who himself lost to Des Cann. On tie-break, it was BGA President Alex Rix who won for the second year running. Hursley Club were the best team, winning the Nippon Club Cup. 1997 Terry Stacey Grand Prix winner was John Rickard 4-dan, who started his good year with a win at the Scottish in line with tradition, so it is expected Macfadyen will win in 1998.

### **Isle of Man**

The Isle of Man Go Week was one of two week-long events starting in the British Isles on 18 August. The Go Week is held every two years and this time moved from Douglas, the island's capital, to Port Erin, a small resort on the southern end of the island and the terminus of the island's Victorian steam railway. This provided an ideal base for a peaceful holiday for walking, swimming or just playing go. The day before play started, a short walk and a coach trip to Peel were organized. In the evenings, there were fun go events, a quiz, a music evening, and on the last day the banquet with prize



*British Lightning at Egham: Simon Goss (left) playing the winner, Des Cann (Photo: Tony Atkins)*



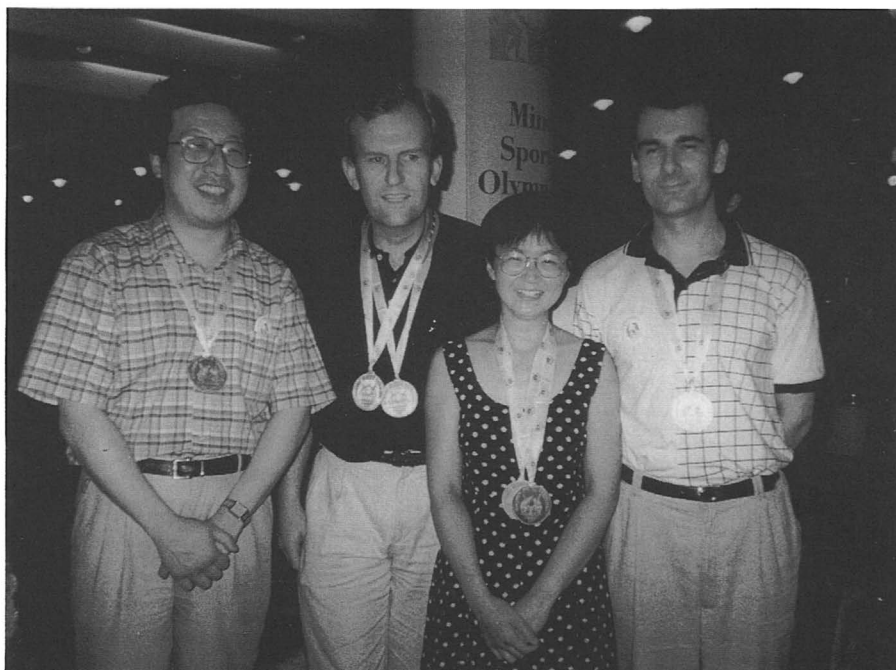
*Vesa Laatikainen 5-dan of Finland playing Richard Hunter 4-dan (GB)  
in the Isle of Man tournament (Photo: Francis Roads)*

giving and songs afterwards. Favourite to win was Vesa Laatikainen 5-dan from Finland. There were also players from Japan, Germany, the Netherlands, and France.

There were 19 females among the 52 players and nearly as many children, who were able to play in their own event. Nobody could beat Vesa, so he won with 5/5. The 4-dan



*International Team Match: S. Kim of Cambridge receives the cup  
from Mr. Kono of the Nippon Club (Photo: Tony Atkins)*



*Medal winners at the Mind Sports Olympiad: Zhang Shutai, David Ward, Guo Juan, and Paul Margetts  
(Photo: Yvonne Margetts)*

players did rather badly and allowed Tony Atkins and Bob Bagot, both 2-dan, to come second and third. John Walsh 4-kyu and Anne Trinks 18-kyu won all five of their games. Vesa did not play in the Afternoon tournament, so Francis Roads 4-dan was able to hold on to his title, ahead of Bob Bagot and Richard Hunter 4-dan. France Ellul 3-kyu, Bill Rivers 3-kyu, and Leo Phillips 25-kyu all won 3/3. Side-event winners were Ian Marsh 1-kyu in the Handicap, Gunnar Bertram 3-kyu in the 13x13, and Richard Hunter in the Lightning. There were also Rengo, Team Go, and a kanji competition set by Richard Hunter from Japan.

### **Mind Sports Olympiad**

The second week-long event was the first Mind Sports Olympiad, held at the Royal Festival Hall on the South Bank of the River Thames in London. Hundreds came from all over the world to compete for medals in games such as chess, draughts, Hare and Tortoise, Scrabble, and quite a few you have probably never heard of. One of the most popular was crossword-puzzle solving and one of the most intriguing was owari (a ver-

sion of mancala). Indeed, some of the go players did well in other events such as bridge, shogi, jigsaw puzzles, and IQ tests. Naturally there were go events, run on behalf of the organisers by Andrew Grant.

The main tournament over five days attracted 20 players of strength 7-dan to 1-kyu. As expected, the strong players dominated, taking the Skandia-sponsored cash and the medals. Gold went to Guo Juan, Silver to Zhang Shutai, and Bronze to Tony Goddard on tie-break from Vladimir Danek. Twenty-six players took part in the six-round weekend Fast Play. Guo got her second Gold and Zhang his second Silver. This time Danek won the tie-break from Goddard. Kyu players scoring 5/6 were Geoff Kaniuk 2-kyu (UK) and Patrick Vicente 6-kyu (France). The weekday afternoons featured 13x13 go, in which nine players played each other twice. At the first awards ceremony, the medals were given to the first three on the list, but this was corrected so that Zhang, Guo, and David Ward got their correct Gold, Silver, and Bronze. The last event was a 9x9 tournament, which gave Guo her third Gold and over £1,000 total prize money. David



*Alison Jones (left) on her way to winning the Women's Championship at Cambridge (2 March) (Photo: Tony Atkins)*

Ward got a Silver this time and a surprised Paul Margetts won Bronze. The event is to be held again next year and larger entries are expected.

### **British Championship**

Zhang Shutai, the Chinese doctor who has been in London for about ten years, was British Champion for 1993 to 1996. In 1997, he decided not to defend his title, as he could not represent Britain at the WAGC. This meant that two players had to be selected to play the best-of-five title match.

The Candidates' Tournament was held in Cambridge over six rounds at the start of May. Des Cann won all six games and Alex Rix five. All the players on four wins and most of the players on three got through to the next stage, the Challengers', where they joined four strong players from the previous year in a four-round seeded Swiss. The top eight in this were: Macfadyen, Matthews, Cann, Shiu, Thornton, Rickard, Roads, and Holton. The first two games of the title match were held in July in London and Oxford. Matthew Macfadyen beat Charles Mat-

thews in both. The third and deciding game was played alongside the Milton Keynes Tournament in September. Though only 3-dan, Charles fought hard but lost, so Matthew is British Champion again.

### **Women's Championship**

The competition for women to help selection for the World's Women Amateur Paduk Championship was held alongside the Cambridge Trigantius. Although Alison Jones 2-dan won most points there, it was Kirsty Healey 1-kyu who retained the points lead and got to play in Korea.

### **Pair Go**

The Pair Go Competition is always a popular event and it was held again in Weedon near Northhamptons in April. The previous winners, Alison Jones and Tony Atkins, managed to lose to Kirsty Healey and Matthew Macfadyen, letting them take the title. The trip to Japan to the World Pairs was taken by Alison Cross and John McLeod as a reward for consistent play over several years.

### **School go**

Brakenhale School in Bracknell was again the dominant school. However, at the youth championships there was a strong showing from the Isle of Man and the Cambridge junior clubs. Under-18 champion was David King 1-kyu (Bracknell). The under-16, 14, 12, and 10 sections were won by Laura Coe 13-kyu, Tom Blockley 5-kyu, Clare Franklin 35-kyu, and Adam Eckersley-Waites 24-kyu. A special award went to Luise Wolf, playing for the first time though not yet five years old.

### **Teaching events & team matches**

Teaching events in 1997 were the annual teaching day at Guildford, various seminars and courses run by National Trainer Matthew Macfadyen, and outreach at the Daiwa Foundation, in Portsmouth, and at the Mind Sports Olympiad. Cambridge won both the London International team matches held at the Nippon Club, and the English side narrowly beat the Japanese at a match in December. Earlier in the year a Korean-Britain match in Surrey was a draw decided three-nil to Britain in a lightning playoff. Reading won the Thames Valley Team Tournament, but lost a playoff against the Sonoyama League winners Cambridge.

### **International participation**

As usual, British players were active in Europe. At the Irish Open in Match, Alastair Wall 4-dan was the winner ahead of fellow Brits David Ward and Des Cann. Des won the Lightning but let two Irishmen take the top places in the Handicap. Francis Roads was sixth and Alison Jones ninth in Helsinki. Francis was also 13th in Paris where Zhang Shutai was second. At the first European Pairs, Kirsty Healey and Matthew Macfadyen were second behind Germany. Matthew Cocke 5-dan was 26th at the WAGC in Sapporo, standing in for T. Mark Hall, who was unable to go. However, later in the year T. Mark was able to travel and came fourth in Brussels. A good number of Brits attended the European in Marseilles. Top player was Piers Shepperson at 23rd; Francis Roads returned as the EGF President. At the Obayashi Cup, Zhang Shutai proved his

strength by winning, beating Miss Pei Zhao in the final. Matthew Macfadyen got to play as a reserve in the Fujitsu Cup, but lost to Cristian Pop in round one. Earlier he had done slightly better at the Ing Cup, coming 11th; Zhang had been placed third.

### **London Go Club's new home**

One final exciting bit of news was the Central London Go Club moving to a new home. They are now very lucky to be allowed to play in the Daiwa Foundation, 13-14 Cornwell Terrace (near Baker Street and Regents Park) on Saturday afternoons.

*(Report by Tony Atkins)*

**U.S.A.**  
**1997: The Year in U.S. Go**  
by Roy Laird

This year the AGA finally reached a long-cherished goal of enrolling 1000 full members. With help from good press (especially a wonderful article in the 7/29 *New York Times*), the Internet (our biggest source of new members), and programs generously funded by the Ing Chang-Ki Goe Educational Foundation, we gained another 10% by the end of the year. Further growth looks likely in the near future as we pursue extensive promotional/publicity projects, especially emphasizing go in the school and in after-school programs.

American go players are a small but busy group. In addition to the traditional US Go Congress, regional four-day pro workshops are proliferating, with eight or ten regular established annual events featuring such pros as Yi-lun Yang, Jujo Jiang, Nai-wei Rui, James Kerwin, and Janice Kim. The historic San Francisco Go Club hosted the World Computer Go Congress. And for the third year, the American Go Association and the Internet Go Server conducted the only professional go tournament on the Internet.

**The Third North American Masters Tournament**

The Third North American Masters Tournament concluded on August 21, 1997 with Zhu-jiu (Jujo) Jiang 9-dan successfully defending his Masters Title against Michael Redmond 8-dan at the 1997 US Go Congress in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Jiang has now won the Masters title three times in a row.

The Masters Tournament is growing: nine professionals who are US residents or citizens competed this year. Due to the larger number of participants, the round-robin format, which was used for the Challenger Rounds in 1995 and 1996, was not feasible. This year a Promotional Round was added before the Challenger Round.

The participants were seeded from the previous year's results (new entrants at the bottom). The field was then split in half, with the top half paired against the bottom half for best-two-out-of-three matches. The winners of these matches were promoted to the Challenger Round. Yi-lun Yang 7-dan of Los Angeles, CA, Xiaoren He 5-dan of Montreal, Canada, and Liping Huang 4-dan of Chicago bested James Kerwin 1-dan of Minneapolis, MN, Janice Kim 1-dan of New York City, and Hui ren Yang 1-dan of Somerville, MA, respectively. They then joined the top three seeds, Nai-wei Rui 9-dan, Michael Redmond 8-dan, and Jimmy Cha 4-dan, from the second Masters Tournament in a round robin to determine the challenger. After 15 exciting games, Redmond emerged as the winner in a tie-break with top contender Nai-wei Rui.

The Internet Go Server (IGS) provided the conduit and technical means that made this event possible. Our special thanks go to them. The IGS also houses all of the Masters' games that were played. It can be reached via telnet (telnet igs.nuri.net 6969).

The Masters Tournament was the first professional tournament held over the Internet. It is sponsored by the American Go Association with funding from the Ing Chang-Ki Wei-ch'i Educational Foundation of Taipei. Ing's rules of wei-ch'i, with komi of eight points, were used in all games.

We owe our special gratitude to Mr. Ing Chang-Ki, the founder of the Ing Chang-Ki Wei-ch'i Educational Foundation, who passed away on August 2. Mr. Ing's vision for promoting this wondrous game internationally was unsurpassed. Please join us in watching these exciting games on the Internet in the future.

**Children's Handicap Tournament on the Internet**

This year was the first year of a new

youth tournament sponsored by the American Ing Foundation. This tournament has been specifically designed for kyu players aged 16 years or under. All the games take place on the Internet through the courtesy of the IGS. The tournament director was Sasha Orr. Thirty youngsters took part this year, many of whom also came to the Congress. The two winners were Pierre-Yves Lafleche and Michael Bolling who received books as their prizes. Runners-up received certificates.

Fliers have already been printed for next year's Redmond Cup Tournament and for the Redmond Handicap Tournament.

One of the things which has been so encouraging this year is the growing number of teachers in schools across America who have heard about go and want to have it taught in their classrooms. These school-teachers are delighted to find that Ing go equipment can be supplied to their classrooms and that there is plenty of help available from the American Go Association. A great deal of work remains to be done, especially in some areas, but it is especially fortunate when it turns out that a new teacher happens to be situated so geographically near to an established go-playing school that teaching help is readily available and interscholastic visiting and competition can be arranged.

### **Mentor Program Thriving**

The AGA mentor program is alive and well. We currently have about 74 participants, ranging from strong dan players down to beginners. Typically, these teaching games occur live on one of the Internet go servers (igs, nngs). The dan players teach single-digit kyus, single-digit kyus teach double-digit kyus, and some of the beginners play 'provisional ratings' matches with each other to get a better estimate of what their AGA rating might be. So far, several dan players have qualified for and taken advantage of the mentor award of a free lesson game with Yi-lun Yang 7-dan. Pairings are sent out monthly. All the participants seem to be happy with the program.

### **New York Times covers go in depth**

The July 29, 1997 edition of *The New York Times* contained what may be the best press go has received yet in the West. Leading the weekly Science Section with a large photograph of Janice Kim and David Mechner playing a game, *Times* science reporter George Johnson delved in detail into the legendary problems computer programmers have encountered in their quest for the 'Deep Blue' of go programs. Today's best programs seemed to be stalled at 4–5 kyu, and Johnson explained why further progress was not anticipated any time soon. Chess programs, he asserted, read out millions of variations until they find one that leads to a positional advantage, especially capturing one of the opposing player's pieces. But with a board five times the size of a chess board, even the best computer's mind boggles at the number of possible variations—and positional advantages are not so easy to determine. Every go player knows the folly of capturing the wrong large group.

You can find this article at the *Times'* website ([www.nytimes.com](http://www.nytimes.com)) or in regular periodical resources such as your local library. If you have trouble locating a copy, contact the AGA for help.

### **'goteach' listserv Reaches Teachers Worldwide**

Membership Secretary Evan Behre has organized a discussion group for teachers on the Internet. You can sign up by sending an e-mail message to [majordomo@lists.io.com](mailto:majordomo@lists.io.com) and saying in the title and in the message, 'subscribe goteach.' Teachers from around the globe are signing in with their ideas and experiences. You don't have to be a teacher to sign up!

### **The 1997 US Go Congress**

#### **Children Dominate in Lancaster**

The 13th US Go Congress took place from August 16–24 on the campus of Millersville State University, just outside Lancaster, PA. With almost 300 participants, it was the largest Congress to date. Participants braved rain, heat and the occasional delay with good humor as they played, studied

and socialized from morning to night.

### **The Major Tournaments**

In addition to the Masters pro-pro play-off and the Ing Cup Invitational for top amateurs, the prizes in four separate events at this year's Congress included the right to represent the US in international competition.

#### **3rd North American Masters Championship** (TD: Jeff Shaevel)

The current titleholder, Zhu-jiu Jiang, faced his third opponent in the tournament's three-year history, defeating Michael Redmond 8-dan in two straight games and remaining the undefeated American Master. Redmond had won the right to challenge Jiang by defeating Jimmy Cha 4-dan and Nai-wei Rui 9-dan, among others, in the Challenger Round of the NAMT, conducted on the Internet Go Server.

#### **7th Ing Cup Invitational Tournament** (TD: Jeff Shaevel)

Kevin (Keun-young) Lee prevailed in this Swiss-style three-round event featuring North America's top 16 players.

#### **US Open** (TD: Chuck Robbins/Evan Behre)

Thomas Hsiang 6-dan of Rochester NY (nomad on igs) won the centerpiece of the Congress, the week-long US Open. Played one round per day with time limits of 90 minutes per player, extended this year to two hours per player for 4-dan and up, it's the most 'serious' go most amateurs get to play.

#### **Redmond Cup** (Michael Bull and Noné Redmond)

Michael Redmond and his family would like to thank the US Go Congress for sponsoring the Redmond Cup Tournament this year and hosting the final games in both senior and junior divisions and to thank the American Go Foundation for covering some of the youths' expenses at the Congress. The tournament director was Mike Bull, who once again patiently and carefully watched over the games—both those held on the IGS and the finals at the Congress. In the Junior

division, the two contestants were the same as last year. Eric Lui of Baltimore and Jesse Chao of Southern California battled it out again in three games, with Jesse emerging the winner. In the Senior division, there was newcomer Edward Kao of Texas playing against an old friend of the Redmond Cup, Michael Hong of British Columbia. Edward took the title in two games.

Timothy Jeans of Vallejo, California has for the last four years provided the Redmond Cup prize money; both winners received \$300 checks and a trophy, the runners-up \$200 each. We are most grateful to Tim for his generosity.

#### **Pairs Championship** (TD: Don Wiener)

After four years, Don Wiener has become quite expert at making this just about the most fun-filled event at the Congress. But this year even he was overwhelmed when the field more than doubled to 36 teams! This sudden burgeoning of the field had mostly to do with the presence of so many children at the Congress and brought to light a highly notable fact. Among adult go players, there are about ten male players for each female. But among children, the ratio seems to be about 50–50.

The tournament also led to an exciting result, with a kyu-level player winning a trip to Japan for the second time. AGA Treasurer Polly Pohl 2-kyu and her partner Ted Ning 6-dan upset Ned (6-dan) and Joanne (3-dan) Phipps in the final match and represented the US at the World Pairs Championship later this year. AGA Membership Secretary Evan Behre attended as a guest official.

#### **Women's Championship** (TD: Polly Pohl)

This event has had an uneven history and did not take place in three of the past four years. However, thanks to new Korean sponsorship, the World Women's Amateur Go Championship is back. Canadian 4-dan Stella Chang prevailed in a field of 20 players, and Debbie Siemon earned the right to represent the US.

#### **The Usual Fun and Games**

While these six important tournaments



were being decided, other attendees found time to enjoy the usual Congress events. The Self-Paired Handicap Tournament (TD: Clyde Steadman) offered any two players the chance for on-the-spot tournament competition for awards such as 'Straight Shooter' (victories over the longest string of consecutively ranked players) and the Philanthropist (losing the most games). In the Die-Hard (Day Off) Tournament (TD: Evan Behre/Chuck Robbins), 56 players battled in a three-round tournament while they were supposed to be taking it easy! Each evening featured a special event: the Lightning Championship (TD: Keith Arnold); Small Board Tournaments (9x9 and 13x13) (TD's Jim Menegay and Fred Hansen respectively); Team Go (TD: Reid Augustin) featuring three-person teams; Crazy Go (TD: Terry Benson) featuring variants like three-and four-player go, 'Electric Go, 'Pineapple Go' (a new variant brought back from the European Go Congress by Ed Downes), and rengo kriegspiel; and entrants competed in the Second US GO Congress Children's Handicap Tournament (TDs: Piotr Rzepecki and Bill Cobb).

#### **Computer Go (David Fotland)**

This year the Go Congress conflicted with the FOST (Fusion of Science and Technology) world open computer go workshop and championship, held on August 23 and 24 and August 27 and 28, respectively. Most of the US programmers chose to go to FOST and not participate in the US competition. Several new programmers expressed interest, but were not ready in time.

Two programs showed up: *The Many Faces of Go* by David Fotland, and *TeamGo* by a team led by Gary Boos. Two games were played, and *The Many Faces of Go* won them both. First place was a prize of \$1,000, second was \$500; \$700 in prizes for third, fourth, fifth and 'best new program' went unclaimed.

#### **Are 73 Simultaneous Games a Record?**

Hankuk Kiwon professional Janice Kim 1-dan of New York City may have set a world record on Sunday afternoon, when she played 73 simultaneous 9x9 games.

Dan players took Black; single-digit kyu players got two stones; double-digit players got three stones. She won approximately one-third of the games.

#### **Children's Classes (Susan Weir/Noné Redmond)**

This year it was a delight to find so many young people attending the Congress. Encouraged by the generous support of the Ing Foundation, which subsidized both playing fees and living expenses, and the AGF, which underwrote the cost of professional training, 45 children, nearly triple the number last year, added their energy and enthusiasm to the largest US Congress ever.

The children were all anxious to play go and to learn, and for the first time they had a room of their own. It seemed as though there were always some of them working on go problems or playing go on the boards which were kept in the room for their use.

Every afternoon they had a session with one of the pros. James Kerwin gave the first lesson on Sunday and came again later in the week to talk to the kyu players. Jimmy Cha and Zhu-jiu Jiang both came and taught the dan players. Janice Kim was there with James Chien talking about the solutions to the daily problems, and Michael Redmond came and had a riotous time with three tables of team go.

Each day Lou Weir put up problems suitable for kyu players. James Chien posted several problems for the dan players and graded the young people's answers. After they had finished their games in the Open tournament upstairs, the children would remember there were fresh problems waiting for them downstairs and run down to work on them.

These afternoons would not have been as much fun nor so easily organized without the support of several dedicated teachers. Clyde Steadman was often found with the children after the Open, playing several of them at once and all having a great time. Jim Benthem came one afternoon to help, as did Sasha Orr. Constant helpers in the young people's program were Peter Rzepecki, Bill Cobb, and Susan and Lou Weir, without whom the program could not have been ar-

ranged. Their practical knowledge was a tremendous benefit and they gave their time generously and caringly.

The young people had an opportunity to play team go on both 9x9 and 13x13 boards, and the highlight of the week was their Youth Tournament. The AGA greatly appreciates the generosity of Samarkand, the Kansai Ki-in, David Fotland, and Yutopian, who gave so many prizes that all of the young people received one.

Several children won in their Open Tournament divisions. When the Pairs Tournament came along, the nine or ten girls amongst the younger players were in great demand. One redoubtable grown-up playing in the Pairs Tournament was heard to remark proudly that his two and a half foot high partner had not made ANY mistakes in her game—that he had made them all.

The American Go Association and, in particular Sam Zimmerman have earned our thanks for hosting these young people so generously and making their week at the Congress such a success. Others who have generously supported the youth program are, of course, Terry Benson, President of the American Go Foundation, Larry Gross and Roy Laird.

### **National Board Slashes Member Fees for Children**

At this year's National Board meeting a proposal was approved to reduce the cost of full membership to \$10 for anyone under the age of 18. The positive impact the many children at the Congress had on everyone became evident when this measure passed overwhelmingly.

### **New President**

AGA President Phil Straus announced that he would retire on January 1, 1998 after five years as AGA President. To fulfill the unexpired remaining year of his term, he also announced the appointment of AGA Publications Coordinator Roy Laird. 'I'm not planning any major changes for the time being,' said Laird. 'We're moving in a lot of good directions, and if we all keep pursuing these objectives go can grow a great deal in this country.'

### **Chen-dao Lin Returns as East Coast VP; Others Will Stay On**

The two-year terms of the three regional Vice-Presidents ended this year. East Coast VP Keith Arnold announced his retirement, and Chen-dao Lin was the only candidate nominated to succeed him. Lin served as East Coast VP for many years before himself 'retiring' in 1993. He will also continue as AGA International Relations Liaison as well as the US Director to the International Go Federation.

Central VP Jeff Shaevel and West Coast VP Larry Gross will continue in their posts.

### **American Go Foundation Meeting**

The American Go Foundation is a tax-deductible charitable organization for education and the promotion of go. The Foundation typically funds small projects, referring larger applicants to the AGA for possible use of Ing funds. Donations to the AGF declined this year, but a large surplus from last year's Congress in Cleveland was added to the Congress reserve, and an account was established for the Cleveland Club's future use. AGA President-Elect Roy Laird joined the Board as Vice President, and current President Phil Straus resigned.

This year the AGF's activities included awarding the second Teacher of the Year Award to Piotr Rzepecki; publishing 4000 copies of *The Way To Go*, a beginner's pamphlet included with the AGA Starter Pack produced with Ing funds; and providing funds to cover the fees of pros who worked with the children and several other small grants.

Each year surplus funds from the US Go Congress account go on deposit with the AGF when the Congress account is closed out. Half the amount goes into the AGF General Fund, while the other half is earmarked for use by the organizers of each Congress.

### **1998 Congress in Santa Fe**

The 1998 US Go Congress will be held from August 2-8 at St. John's College in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Santa Fe is one of the most popular tourist destinations in the American Southwest. Founded in 1610, the

city is the second oldest in the United States and it is proud of its historic legacy from the Indian, Spanish and American cultures that have met and mixed there. Most of the downtown area preserves the image of Spanish-colonial adobe architecture. Santa Fe has a dozen museums and hundreds of commercial art galleries, shops and restaurants. The city is an outstanding center for trade in fine arts and Native American crafts and jewelry.

St. John's College, site of the Congress, perches on the slopes of Monte Sol just over a mile (less than two kilometers) from the center of the city, where it commands spectacular views of the city and of the Rio Grande Valley. Guests may enjoy hikes up into the mountainous forests that adjoin the college campus.

Santa Fe is not at all the scorching desert community that some people mistakenly expect when they think of the American Southwest. At 7,000 feet (2,100 meters) above sea level in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains, the city's thin, dry air is comfortable in its moderately warm summer days. At night, temperatures almost always drop below 60 degrees Fahrenheit (15 degrees Celsius).

Day trips can also be arranged to a number of nearby points of interest, including several local Indian pueblos, the Santa Fe National Forest, Bandelier National Monument (site of ancient Anasazi Indian ruins) or Los Alamos, where the first atomic bombs were designed and built. Congress Director Grant Franks has offered to help the professional players make the necessary arrangements to attend the US Go Congress.

### **US Wins World Pairs Handicap Tournament**

Ted Ning 6-dan of Honolulu and AGA Treasurer Polly Pohl 2-kyu of Chicago traveled to Japan together in November to play for the US in the World Amateur Pair Go Championship. They had won the qualifying tournament for this event by playing as a team at the Lancaster Go Congress. Now they would face male-female pairs from around the world.

An unfortunate first-round loss on time

moved Ning and Pohl into a special runners'-up tournament, where the other first-round losers mixed in with special invited guests. 'If we had won the first game, we would have been paired against South Korea in round two, so maybe it was a lucky break to lose round one,' said Pohl. She and Ning racked up victories against a Japanese team, a pair from Slovenia, and the New Zealand team which consisted of a Chinese woman and a Polish man. Facing a pair of Japanese 7-dans in the final round, Ning and Pohl won the runners'-up tournament. The Japanese dan team of Kamasaki Mizuyo and Kihara Koji came in second, and the Canadian team of 7-year-old Katherine Whang 3-dan and her 10-year-old brother, Joe 4-dan came in third. [*Go Weekly's* report had the Whangs second. *Ed.*]

A dramatic first-round matchup occurred when North and South Korea found themselves paired against each other by the luck of the draw. South Korea won, with good sportsmanship at all times on both sides.

Cheng Shu-Chin and Huang Hsiang-Jen from Chinese Taipei (a.k.a. Taiwan) won first place in the open tournament. One of the 14 Japanese pairs, Fu Kobai and Sato Kuniki, came in second. Lee Min-Jin and Lee Hak-Yong from South Korea came in third in the open tournament.

Argentina and New Zealand participated for the first time this year. The Argentine pair seemed thrilled to be involved despite having to endure a 36-hour trip to Tokyo. The New Zealand pair lost their only game in the Special Handicap tournament to Ning and Pohl, and that was a very close game. Yucong Phease, the female New Zealand player, told Pohl she had nightmares about their losing move. But Polly reports, 'In spite of that defeat, we spent the day after the tournament sightseeing together in the Imperial Palace gardens.

'We enjoyed shopping in the Nihon Ki-in gift shop. We were like kids in a toy store. They have what looks like an aquarium with Japanese koi fish in it, but in reality it is a TV screen with water and bubbles in front of it. It looks unbelievably realistic. There were a few go books in English there, including *Whole Board Thinking in Joseki* by our own

Phil Straus and Yi-lun Yang. I felt very proud for them. My husband and I also visited an upscale go equipment shop on the Ginza strip. There wasn't much available for less than \$1000 there, but their inventory of gobans was impressive.'

Ted, Polly and the AGA are very grateful to the Japan Pair Go Association and especially to Mr. and Mrs. Taki, the originating and sustaining force behind this event. The JPGA has taken on another ambitious project: to have go recognized as a sport by the International Olympic Committee. Judging from their success with this event, perhaps we'll see go being played under the Five Rings soon.

### World Computer Go Congress in San Francisco

The Ing Foundation's annual world championship for go-playing computer programs was held November 21-23 in San Francisco, with sponsorship from the Ing Goe Educational Foundation, Everex Computers, and Asanté Technologies. Organized by Ernest Brown of the American Ing Goe Foundation, the Congress featured a tournament among ten computer programs, with \$8000 in prizes. The winning program would then face human opponents for a prize that could come to \$15 million. The Congress also featured various panels and speakers on the subject of computer go. Brown, interviewed before the event by *The San Francisco Bay Guardian*, commented on the usual use of militaristic comparisons to explain go to the novice, then offered a different simile:

'Go is a game based upon the metaphor of sharing space,' said Brown. 'The game pieces are seen as a fence, partitioning off the players' respective spaces. If you have more knowledge of the game, you must give the other player a head start, so they have an equal opportunity to attain the same amount of space as you. Go forces you to confront your own internal demons—things like greed, laziness, or disrespect for other people that force you to make mistakes. As long as you just do what you know is right, you are able to stay even and the game progresses.'

In the first phase the computers played off against one another, with the following results:

#	Program	Author	Country
1	Handtalk	Chen, Zhi-xing	China
2	Go4++	Michael Reiss	UK
3	Go Intellect	Ken Chen	USA
4	Silver Igo	N. Yamamoto for Sliver Star	Japan
5	Many Faces of Go	David Fotland	USA
6	MODGO	Alfred Knoepfle	Germany
7	FunGO	Park, Yong-goo	Korea
8	Star of Poland	Janusz Kraszek	Poland
9	Explorer	Martin Mueller	Austria
10	Super Ego	Bruce Wilcox	USA

After the computer playoff, 'Handtalk' faced a series of human opponents, taking an 11-stone handicap. If it could win three games in a row, the handicap would drop to ten stones, and three victories at that handicap would earn the programmer \$20,000. Facing Lin Ting-chao, a 13-year-old 2-dan from Taiwan, 'Handtalk' squeezed out a three-point victory, then soundly defeated American 6-dan Jonathan Wang in the second 11-stone game. But in the third game, even the high handicap could not prevent 'Handtalk' from being soundly thrashed by Taiwanese 4-dan Hwang Yi-tsuu, age 11. That's one handicap stone per year!

### AGF Seeks Nominees for 'Teacher of the Year'

The American Go Foundation is inviting nominations for the 1998 Teacher of the Year award. This annual honor is reserved for teachers of the highest merit who have demonstrated their love for children by teaching them the game of go. This prestigious award carries with it the prize of all expenses paid at the 1998 Congress in Santa Fe. Requirements include that the applicant:

1. teach in at least one school or class for at least two hours per school week;
2. have two years of go-teaching experience;
3. have started an AGA-affiliated Youth

Go Chapter for his/her students;

4. hold AGA membership;

5. have entered students in available local and regional tournaments, including if possible national youth tournaments on the Internet.

The committee will also consider the effect of the teacher's activities outside his/her go group. Has there been publicity of the teacher's activities? What has been the response from the community? The school administration? Other non-playing kids? Has the teacher developed materials others can use? Has the teacher taught other teachers to play and teach go or mentored others in teaching go?

What has been the teacher's success rate with her/his students? Of the children the teacher has taught, how many have continued to play after leaving the go class? Have the teacher's students shown an independent enthusiasm for the game?

The Teacher of the Year must be an example to other teachers both in teaching go and drawing young people into a love of the game.

### **The World Women's Amateur Paduk Championship**

*by Debbie Siemon*

When we 28 'women of the world' arrived in Seoul for the WWAPC, many of us knew but one word of Korean—paduk! We soon learned another—'kumshamnida' ('thank you'), because we were treated so graciously. We all became great friends and were pleased at how well organized and generous the sponsors were in every detail.

We played in the 63 Building, named for its 63 floors which made it the tallest building in Seoul, and we stayed at the Tower Hotel, which commands a panoramic view of Seoul. It is especially stunning at night when one has hiked up a very, very long hill to get to it—Ms. Hong Kong in heels and Ms. Australia almost in tears!

Before I left for Korea I was worried because I had been asked to wear my 'national costume' for the opening ceremony. Now, I am a 'go-nerd,' not a 'dress-up girl.' More-

over, I could think of no 'national costume' unless it would be Nikes and Levis with an Atlanta Braves cap. My husband Tim and AGA President Phil Straus tried to talk me into a Scarlett O'Hara dress (I'm from Atlanta), and others advised a cowgirl outfit. But I panicked and brought only a dress. (Maria Jesus Rodriguez of Spain won the contest hands-down dressed as a beautiful flamenco dancer.)

However, I was lucky because, like me, many others did not wear or have a national costume, so the sponsor decided to have us vote at the end for the 'Best Mannered' to give us another prize.

But you probably want to hear about the paduk matches—so let me begin!

The tournament began with an opening speech and instructions by the Chief Referee, Korea's Cho Hun-hoon, pro 9-dan. It was a great honor to have him wandering around and looking at our games as they progressed. Other professional go players who attended were Korea's Yoon Gi-hyun and Kwun Gab-ryang, as well as Japan's Oeda Yusuke; Ito Makoto of the Nihon Ki-in office also attended.

The first-round draw was completely random. There were no seeds. I won my first match against Sari Kohonen of Finland. We had met before, in the Pair Go Championship, but this was our first match in singles. Then I again drew Black and played Monique Berreby of France. After building a huge moyo, which she reduced smartly, giving me that 'I've been had' feeling, I made an overplay which allowed her to seal her 2½-point win. The next morning in Round 3, I won against Claude Burvenich of Belgium. Surely she was a top contender for Best Mannered—she seemed to enjoy every second of the tournament. In Round 4 I played Katarzyna Koenig of Poland. I had Black and was overconfident and outplayed. Katarzyna, who lives in Dallas, Texas, certainly was happy when she won. Since I was 'two and two,' I was expecting to finish close to the middle if I were lucky. I was a little upset with my concentration during the games, but decided 1) I would just do my best for the last two matches and 2) I was having such a good time, it didn't matter. On the morning of the

last day, I played a very solid game against Maria Jesus Rodriguez of Spain. Now I was 'three and two.' The pressure was off.

In the afternoon I won against a young friend, Tan Qin Yu of Singapore. Again, I had Black and was determined to play thick. I managed a 7½-point win and was pleased to find that my four-and-two record put me in the seventh place. Stella Chang of Canada finished right in front of me in sixth place, and Japan's Yamashita Chifumi finished fifth.

The top four finalists—Korea, China, Russia, and Hungary—had a playoff while the rest of us went sightseeing. In the final match, the friendly and eager Do Un Kyo of Korea defeated Hui Yanan of China for the first prize of \$5,000. Ms. Hui is also a track star at her school.

The final night the generous sponsors and hosts, the First Korea Life Insurance Company, the Korea Economic Daily and the Korean Broadcasting System, threw a closing ceremony and party. The winner of the Best Mannered was announced to be Corina Tarina of Romania. When I heard this I thought, 'Oh, of course!' Indeed, she was the perfect choice.

That night the Best Mannered and Best Dressed winners bought beer and wine for everyone. We sat around a big table talking, laughing, singing and drinking until 1:00 a.m. Everyone was wound up and both those with good and bad finishes were happy for the journey and experience. The happiest one of all—who knows? Maybe it was Miss USA.

### **Yi-Lun Yang's New Local Workshops Master Teacher Adds New Jersey, New York City and Pennsylvania to Annual Tour Schedule**

It's been a busy year for Yi-lun Yang, the Los Angeles-based pro 7-dan who has taught go professionally in the US for more than ten years. Recently he has begun to specialize in the 'Local Workshop,' traveling to local groups of interested players for long weekends of intensive study. In the past few years he has refined his approach, traveling to western Massachusetts and Washington DC to give workshops that have become an-

nual events.

'Mr. Yang and the participants usually show up on Wednesday night and we get started on Thursday morning,' says Bill Saltman, the organizer of an annual mini-retreat in Western Massachusetts. 'Mr. Yang divides the 12 of us into two groups by strength. One group plays while Mr. Yang comments on the other group's games. After both groups have played and received instruction, we break for lunch and do it again in the afternoon. After dinner we'll do something different, like maybe Mr. Yang will give a lecture.'

More and more small groups of players are realizing how cost-effective this workshop format can be. For a few hundred dollars each they can get four days of top professional instruction. This year Mr. Yang more than doubled his tour schedule, adding workshops in three new locations—New Jersey in June, New York City in July and Lancaster, PA in November. Like the others, these popular events sold out quickly and will repeat next year. New Jersey organizer Don De Courcelle reports:

'I was pleased to hold the first New Jersey Go Workshop at my home in Highland Park this summer. Attendees ranged in playing skill from 3-dan to about 12-kyu. The time really flew! Mr. Yang used several instructional methods to drive home the concepts of good play. He started by reviewing several of his own professional games. Before he showed us each move, he described the concepts and thinking he used to 'find' his next move. To our surprise we were able to not only locate the correct area to play, but to zero in on the correct move in many cases.

'The concepts we discussed in this analysis formed the basis of our playing strategy and style throughout the remainder of the workshop. We played and reviewed games against each other, and Mr. Yang gave 3-on-1 teaching games as well as stand-up lectures and written homework.'

### **Looking Forward to 1998**

As I write this in March of 1998, word has just reached me that a film entitled •(Pi) prominently featuring go has just won an

award at the prestigious Sundance Film Festival. This closely follows the publication of a wonderful article in the January–February issue of *The Sciences*, in which former in-sei David Mechner explains why go presents such a daunting challenge to programmers. Go is becoming more visible in the West—soon the days of searching in vain for a fellow player may be over.

### **Redmond scores big win in 11th Fujitsu Cup**

Some big news broke just before *Ranka* went to press. Representing the US, Michael Redmond defeated a former world champion, Korea's Seo Bong-soo, in the first round of the 11th Fujitsu Cup, played on April 11. Playing white, Michael won by half a point to round off what must have been one of the highlight weeks of his career. On April 9, Michael had defeated another former world champion and Japan's top player, Cho Chikun, in the Oza tournament.

Incidentally, this was Michael's second win against Seo in an international tournament.



*Michael Redmond has a big week.*



*Some of the participants in the Open Championship held at the Simón Bolívar University*

## **Venezuela**

The Venezuelan Go Association has been organizing an open national tournament since 1996. It is usually held in October and

the aim is to spread knowledge of go among university students. In 1996 and 1997, the tournament was held on the premises of the Universidad Simón Bolívar; in the future, we hope to take it to other universities.



*A scene from the Open Championship*



In December, three members of our association visited Cuba, our nearest go neighbour, to hold a three-round friendly tournament with Cuban players. Cuba won the three rounds and both sides considered the experience an enriching one, so we hope to repeat it. (See the report under the Iberoamerican Go Federation.)

## Vietnam

Last September the Nihon Ki-in successfully completed the first go promotion tour of Vietnam. The Nihon Ki-in team consisted of Honda Sachiko 6-dan, the middle sister of the well-known Honda family, Shinkai Hiroko 4-dan, and Saheki Yoshio of the Overseas Department. They were accompanied by Nagami Yoshi and Bao Nguyen of the Melbourne Go Club. After half a dozen phone calls, with Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City, I [Bao] was told that the arrangements had been made with a high school, a university, and maybe an art centre in Hanoi. Nothing sounded too exciting, but the visit turned out to be quite memorable. A description of some of the activities follows.

### *Day 1*

The first visit was to the Hanoi Amsterdam school. The children were going through compulsory military training. We could hardly hear ourselves talk because of the drilling outside. The noise, the 30 degree plus heat and the humidity are hardly the best environment for go. The staff was friendly but reserved; they nonchalantly showed us the record of all the international prizes the students have won on the wall. We went through all the formalities while the students waited patiently in a classroom upstairs. As we approached the classroom, the students started clapping and cheering enthusiastically. Honda Sensei started the lesson with a short historical introduction and explained the rules of go through examples. The students worked out a ladder on the spot. Masa, the interpreter, is a Japanese student who speaks excellent Vietnamese and he did a very good job.

The lesson ended after three hours, but some students became so keen they asked us to give them further lessons. For the next few days, this groups of students (aged 11 to 14) came to our hotel for lessons. Strangely



*Honda and Shinkai (back to camera) giving a lesson at the Hotel Metropole*



*Bao and Yoshi playing simultaneous games with the children from the Hanoi Amsterdam school*

enough, there was only one boy amongst them.

### *Day 2*

A demonstration was scheduled for Hanoi University. It was clear from the reception that the people here were very used to receiving overseas visitors. All the students at the go demonstration spoke Japanese. They were all polite and reserved, whereas the children from Amsterdam school behaved as if they were in a lolly store.

In the afternoon, we told Honda Sensei that we could not join her for sightseeing because we had promised the students an extra lesson. Honda Sensei was very generous with her time and offered to teach the children instead of going sightseeing. We hired a conference room at the Hotel Metropole for the lesson. Honda asked the children to say why they liked to play go, and the seriousness of their unrehearsed answers surprised us.

One young girl said she like go because she believed the game taught her critical and strategic thinking.

### *Day 3*

The final meeting, organized by the Japanese Embassy, was with the Chinese Chess Association. There was no demonstration, but we picked up some very interesting information. In Vietnam, chess is under the Department of Sport. Ten years ago, chess had been unknown in Vietnam, but now there are a grandmaster and five masters. The people at the Department of Sport have always been interested in go but never had the opportunity to develop it. We were shown a handwritten translation of Arthur Smith's introduction to go. There are about 20 go players in Hanoi and even a go bar, where the players meet twice a week.

We were invited to dinner by Mr. Hoshi of NTT. Thinking that Honda Sensei must be very tired from so much travelling, Yoshi and I quietly planned to go to the go bar after dinner and could not wait for dinner to end. After dinner, however, Honda Sensei declared that we were all to go to the go bar. There we met a few players and Shinkai Sensei played a teaching game with one of them.

*Day 4*

Today the Japanese team (Honda, Shinkai, Saheki) left for Ho Chi Minh City. We spent the whole afternoon teaching the same group of children at our hotel. This time all of them played on full boards. The only boy in the group proved to be the most aggressive player. In the evening we headed off to the go bar after dinner. The children were very excited because it was the first time they had been allowed inside a bar (they were served non-alcoholic drinks). We were told the next day that some of their parents had never been to a bar and were glad their kids had had such a novel experience. The next time they will be allowed in there will be October 1998 when we return.

*Notes*

We have managed to hire a go player to teach six classes a week. We are relying on donations to keep this going.

Most Vietnamese people have to work at two jobs to make ends meet, and the people who help to keep go alive in Vietnam are doing so at the price of valuable income. But this is a strange country and people do strange things. For example, I was introduced to a young man who could barely speak English. A week after we left, he surprised us with a complete translation of one of the go books we donated to the Vietnamese for the benefit of the children.

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*(Report by Bao Nguyen)*



*Honda and Shinkai in front of the 'one-column temple' in Hanoi. This temple is constructed on top of a column rising out of the water like a lotus flower.*

## 1997 Calendar of Amateur Go Tournaments

*This calendar of amateur go is an attempt to give an idea of the range of tournament activity around the world by listing the tournament results of which the IGF Office has received notification. 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'). (Main sources: European Go Journal; EGF-EGCC Newsletter; American Go Newsletter; BGA Newsletter, Deutsche Go Zeitung, Revue Française de Go. Note that usually only the winner of the top division of a tournament is given.*

*Some items of related interest besides tournaments are also included.*

### January

29 Dec.–1: *23rd London Open* (150 players), *Main Tournament*: 1st, Guo Juan 7-dan (Netherlands) 8–0; 2nd, Lee Hyuk; 3rd, Matthew Macfadyen. *Lightning*: Lee Hyuk 6-dan (Korea). *Rengo*: Eric Warkentin/Alain Wettach/Arnoud Knippel/Virgil Bayle. *13x13*: Jo Hampton, Andrew Grant, Francis Roads.  
3–10: *Ukrainian Ch'ship* (Kiev): D. Yatsenko: 6–1.  
4, 5: *Dutch N.Y.'s* (Heerlen): Rudi Verhagen 4-dan 5–0.  
11: *Nova Winter Warmer* ((Alexandra, Virginia): I-Han Lui 7-dan.  
11, 12: *Essen* (82 participants): Christoph Gerlach 5-dan: 5–0.  
18: *Furze Platt* (U.K.) (93 players): T. Mark Hall 3–0.  
18, 19: *Dutch Women's Ch'ship*: Els Buntsma 2-kyu.  
18, 19: *Leuven* (Belgium) (34 participants): Jan Bogaerts 3-dan (Belgium).  
19: *Youth Ch'ship* (U.K.): 1st, David King; 2nd: Anna Griffiths.

### February

1: *Wanstead* (44 players): Park Hyun-Soo 5-dan (Korea): 3½–½.  
1, 2: *Dutch Ch'ship* (Amstelveen): 1st, Guo Juan 7-dan 8–0; 2nd, Frank Janssen 6-dan 7–1.  
1, 2: *Scheve ogen* (Amstelveen): Mark Boon 6-dan 5–0.  
1, 2: *Berne* (20 players): Kato Madoka 2-dan (Japan/Milan).  
8, 9: *Prague Grand Prix* (105 players, train strike notwithstanding): Dmitri Yatsenko 5-dan (Ukraine): 5–0.  
15: *Heerhugowaard* (Holland): Frank Janssen 6-dan.  
15, 16: *New Jersey Open* (39 players): Yuan Zhou.  
16: *Oxford* (106 players): Walthar Warnaar 4-dan 3–0.  
22, 23: *Barcelona Grand Prix*: Murakami 4-dan.  
22: *Santa Barbara Winter* (22 players): Tony Emsenhuber 3-dan.  
22, 23: *Carolina Open* (26 players): Paul Celmer 3-kyu.  
23: *18th Winter* (Quebec) (60 players): Louis Leroux 5-dan.  
28: *Austria vs. Nihon Express team match*: Austria won 7–5.  
Jan.–Feb.: *16th Montreal Honinbo*: Lian-Ming Dong 5-dan.

### March

1, 2: *Dutch Team Ch'ship* (Enschede): Leiden 4–1 (Groenen/Eijkhout/Vanderstappen).  
2: *Cambridge Trigantius* (74 players): Matthew Cocke 5-dan 3–0.  
2: *Women's Qualification* (U.K.): Alison Jones  
6–9: *2nd European Youth Go Ch'ship* (Bratislava) (100+ players): *A group*: Dmitri Bogatskii 5-dan; *B group*: Antoine Fenech 1-kyu.  
7–9: *Ing Cup* (Amstelveen), *Main Tournament*: 1st, Guo Juan 6–0; 2nd, Cristian Pop 6-dan 5–1.  
8: *International Teams* (U.K.): Cambridge.  
8, 9: *Miami Winter* (30 players): Dave Matson 1-kyu.  
8, 9 & 22, 23 March: *Belgian Ch'ship*: Jan Bogaerts.

9: *1st Annual Tri-Cities* (California): Goro Nakano.  
8, 9: *Ing Cup side tournament* (Amstelveen): Jan van der Steen 3-dan 4-1.  
13-15: *9th Lado Omejc Memorial Grand Prix* (Bled) (56 players): Alexei Lazarev 6-dan.  
14-16: *Irish Ch'ship*: Alastair Wall 4-dan 5-0. *Rapid Play*: Des Cann 5-0. *Irish Handicap Ch'ship*:  
Noel Mitchell 2-dan 3-0.  
15, 16: *1st NEC Australia Cup* (Melbourne): *Division 1*: Andrew Chi; *Division 2*: Bu-lin Jiang.  
16, 17: *Keizer Kerl* (Nijmegen): Gilles van Eeden 6-dan 4-1.  
18: *Korean vs. British teams* (Tolworth, Surrey), 18-18 tie, playoff won by British team 3-0.  
21-23: *Austrian Grand Prix (Susan Memorial)* (60 players): Alexei Lazarev 6-dan 6-0.  
22, 23: *6th Vernal Equinox* (British Columbia): Chris Kirschner 5-dan.  
23: *Coventry* (80 players): Matthew Macfadyen 3-0.  
29: *Baltimore Spring* (32 players): 4 wins: Kevin Lee 8-dan, Evan Behre 1-kyu.  
29, 30: *Leids Easter* (Leiden): Geert Groenen 5-dan 10-1.  
Dec.-March: *13th Ottawa Meijin*: Stanley Chang.

### **April**

5: *Bournemouth* (38 players): Alastair Wall 4-dan 3-0.  
6: *Dutch Pair Go* (Amstelveen): Renée Fréhé 1-kyu/Rob Kok 3-dan 3-1.  
12: *Dutch Lightning* ('s-Gravenhage): Robert Rehm 5-dan 7-0.  
12, 13: *Houston Spring* (35 players): Moon Chong Kim 6-dan.  
13: *MGA Spring Handicap* (Boston) (30 players): Keith Crews 3-dan.  
18-20: *30th British Go Congress, British Open* (Egham) Alex Rix 5-1. *British Lightning*: Des Cann 5-0.  
19: *Philadelphia* (26 players): Jonathan Nagy 6-dan 4-0.  
19, 20: *Tilburg*: Robert Rehm 5-dan 5-0.  
20: *ASKÖ Chess and Go Festival for Children and Young Players* (Vienna).  
26: *Dutch Youth Ch'ship* (Eindhoven): 1st, Merlijn Kuin 1-kyu 5-0; 2nd, Renée Fréhé 1-kyu 4-1.  
26: *Chicago Spring Tourney* (21 players): Yu Lianzhou 7-dan.  
27: *Pair Go* (Weedon, U.K.): Kirsty Healey, Matthew Macfadyen 3-0.

### **May**

2, 3: *Ann Arbor Go Festival* (64 players): John Beckett 3-dan.  
3-5: *British Candidates* (Cambridge): 1st, Des Cann 6-0; 2nd, Alex Rix 5-1; 3rd, Simon Shiu 4-2.  
3-5: *Rocky Mountain Open* (Denver) (26 players): Jung Hoon Lee 7-dan.  
4: *Cornell* (9 players): Ping-Lei Wang 4-kyu.  
4: *Bar-Low* (Cambridge) (33 players): Jonathan Chin 1-kyu.  
8-11: *Amsterdam* (Amstelveen, 238 players): 1st, Guo Juan 6-0; 2nd, Park Sam-Nam 6-dan 5-1.  
10: *6th Slovenian Team Ch'ship* (Novo mesto): Novo Mesto (Matoh/Bizjak/Cefarin/Jukic).  
10: *3rd Slovenian Women's Ch'ship*: Vida Hernaus.  
17: *Meta Tools/Miratti's Stores/Ing Foundation* (Santa Barbara) (18 players): Rick Rubenstein 1-dan.  
17: *Bracknell* (79 players): Antonio Moreno 3-dan 3-0.  
17, 18: *19th Quebec Open* (31 players): Li Xianyu 5-dan.  
17-19: *Toulouse*: Hervé Dicky.  
23-25: *2nd Japan-China-Korea Top Amateurs Match* (Seoul): China b. Japan 4-1; Korea b. China 3-2; Japan b. Korea 4-1. Results: 1st, China; 2nd, Japan; 3rd, Korea.  
24, 25: *Scottish Open* (Glasgow) (33 players): Matthew Macfadyen 6-dan 6-0.  
24, 25: *Maryland Open* (Baltimore) (56 players): Wei-Yu Chen 5-dan.  
•The four-year-old Nanjing girl Liu Beibei extends her own world record for preschool children by memorizing the value of pi to 1,997 decimal places. Later in the year, now aged five, she receives sponsorship from a local electric and construction company to become a trainee at the

Nanjing Genesis Go Centre. Will she set a new record for the youngest professional go player ever? Watch this space.

## June

- 1: *Davis/Sacramento*: Peter Redmond 1-dan.  
7, 8: *British Challengers* (London): 1st, Matthew Macfadyen; 2nd, Charles Matthews.  
14: *Leicester* (46 players): Matthew Macfadyen.  
21, 22: *Utrecht*: Robert Rehm 5-dan 5-0.  
21, 22: *14th Ottawa Chinese Go Cup* (49 players): Xin Wei 5-dan.  
21-23: *Utrecht*: Robert Rehm 5-dan.  
21-23: *Rudolf Schneider Memorial* (Graz): Vladimir Danek.  
28, 29: *5th Welsh Open Go* (Barmouth) (48 players): Matthew Macfadyen. *Lightning*: Klaus Blumberg 1-dan. *Team*: Leamington.

## July

- 4-6: *Gump Memorial* (Vienna) (32 players): Vladimir Danek.  
10-13: *6th Slovak Ch'ship* (Kosice): Miroslav Poliak. *Women's Ch'ship*: Lubica Lassakova. *Youth Ch'ship*: Juraj Palencar. *Schools Ch'ship*: Tomas Liptak; Alexandra Smidova. *Pair Go*: Lubica Lassakova/Ivo Svec.  
12, 13: *Leides Lakenfeest* (Leiden): Robert Rehm 5-dan 5-0.  
13: *Hocogo July* (U.S.): Kwin Le 8-dan.  
13: *3rd Devon* (19 players): Antonio Moreno 3-dan 3-0.  
19- 2 August: *41st European Go Ch'ship* (Marseilles): 1st, Lee Hyuk 6-dan (Korea) 10-0; 2nd, Miyakawa Wataru 6-dan (Japan) 8-2; 3rd: Guo Juan 7-dan (Holland) 8-2. *Weekend*: Guo Juan 5-0. *Team*: Kok, allard, Vajani, Viger. *Mixed Pair*: Guo Juan, Lee Hyuk 5-0. *Rengo*: Riedemann, Zienappel, Teuler. 9x9: Eric Kaper 4-dan. *Lightning*: Willemkoen Pomstra 4-dan.  
20-22: *37th Asahi Amateur Best Ten* (Tokyoz): Kikuchi Yoshiro (d. Hirata Hironori in final).  
24: *9th Japan-Korea Women's Amateur Team Match* (5-player teams) (Tokyo): Japan won 7-3.  
28: *French Junior Ch'ship* (Marseilles): Camille Salgues.

## August

- 16-24: *U.S. Go Congress* (Lancaster, Penn.), *U.S. Open*: 1st, Thomas Hsiang; 2nd, Edward Kim; 3rd: Woo, Jin Kim. *5-dan section*: Stephen Guo. *4-dan section*: Martin Bradshaw. *3-dan section*: Phil Straus. *2-dan section*: Jeff Shaevel. *1-dan section*: Eric Wainright. *U.S. Pair Go*: Pauline Pohl 2-kyu/Ted Ning 6-dan. *Women's* (20 players): 1st, Stella Chang 4-dan; 2nd, Selena Chang 4-dan; 3rd; Wanda Metcalf 2-kyu. *Youth* (31 players), *Division I*: Sam Law; *Division II*: Ross Benson; *Division III*: Matthew Bural. *Die Hard, Section A (5-dan+)*: I-Han Lui. *Team Go (dan level)*: 'Bamboo' (Stella Chang, Jonathan Wang, Debbie Siemon).  
17-22: *Isle of Man* (Port Erin), *Main* (47 players): Vesa Laatikainen 5-dan 5-0. *Afternoon*: Francis Roads 4-dan. *Handicap*: Ian Marsh. 13x13: Gunner Bertram 3-kyu. *Lightning*: Richard Hunter.  
18-24: *Mind Sports Olympiad, main go tournament* (London): Guo Juan 7-dan. *Weekend*: Guo. 13x13: Guo. 9x9: Guo.  
22-24: *43rd Amateur Honinbo* (Japan): Harada Minoru.  
24: *Beach* ('s-Gravenhage): Rudi Verhagen 5-dan 8-2.  
27: Death of go's greatest international sponsor and patron, Ing Chang-Ki, aged 83.  
30-Sept. 1: *20th Canadian Open Go Ch'ship* (Kingston, Ontario) (59 players): June Ki Beck 6-dan. *Czech Ch'ship*: Vladimir Danek 9-0.  
*N.Z. Ch'ship*: Injune Kang 6-dan.

## September

- 1-5: *World Women's Amateur Baduk* (Seoul): 1st, Do In-Kyo; 2nd, Han Yanan (China).

- 6, 7: *Obayashi Cup* (Amstelveen, 240 players): 1st, Zhang Shutai 7-dan; 2nd, Zhao Pei 6-dan.  
6, 7: *Northern* (Manchester) (54 players): Simon Shiu 3-dan 6-0.  
13: *British Championship*: Matthew Macfadyen beat Charles Matthews 3-0 (first two games on 12 and 27 July)  
13: *Chicago* (24 players): Jim Benthem 2-dan.  
13: *September Dallas Metro* (9 players): Paul Lee 7-kyu.  
13: *9th Milton Keynes* (58 players): Simon Shiu 3-dan 3-0.  
13, 14: *Copenhagen Grand Prix*: Kaspar Hornbaek 5-dan 4-1.  
13, 14: *1997 Meijin* (N.Y.): Kim Jong-Il.  
13, 14: *GGGC Fall 97* (Raleigh, North Carolina) (20 players): Yoshiteru Suzuki 5-dan.  
20, 21: *10th Maribor Open*: Leon Matoh.  
21: *Hilversum Rapid*: Guo Juan 7-dan 5-0.  
22: *Japan WAGC Qualifying*: Hiraoka Satoshi d. Sakai Hideyuki in final.  
26-28: *International Austrian Ch'ship*: C. Nurschinger.  
27, 28: *Bucharest Grand Prix*: Liviu Oprisan 4-dan 5-1.  
27, 28: *Brabants* (Eindhoven): Guo Juan 7-dan 5-0.  
27, 28: *Bordeaux-Biscarosse*: Gabriel De Dietrich 3-kyu. *French Ch'ship*: Pierre Colmez defeated Jeff Seailles 2-1.

### October

- 4, 5 & 18, 19: *Dutch Qualifying Ch'ship* (Amstelveen): Stijn van Dongen 3-dan 7-1, Robert Rehm 5-dan 7-1.  
4, 5: *Colombes* (France) (32 players): Farid Ben Malek.  
4, 5: *Charleville* (France) (26 players): Eric Warkentin and Thomas Renaud.  
5: *Shrewsbury* (50 players): Matthew Macfadyen.  
11, 12: *1997 Texas Open* (Houston): Danning Jiang 6-dan.  
11, 12: *Bratislava Grand Prix* (66 players): Victor Bogdanov 6-dan 5-0.  
11, 12: *Toronto Korean Cup* (44 players): Xin Wei 6-dan.  
12: *MGA Fall* (22 players): Michael Vaughn 4-kyu 4-0.  
12: *Santa Barbara Fall 1997 Tourney*: Chong Kim 1-dan.  
12: *Apeldoorn* (Holland) (handicap): Xian-Ming Zheng 2-kyu 5-0.  
12: *International Teams* (London): Cambridge.  
16-19: *29th Slovenian Ch'ship* (Catez) (17 players): Leon Matoh.  
17-19: *Belgrade Grand Prix*: Victor Bogdanov 6-dan 4-1.  
18: *Pumpkin Classic* (Arlington) (23 players): Hal Small 3-dan 4-0.  
18, 19: *Croatian Ch'ship*: Zoran Mutabzija.  
24, 25 & 1, 2 Nov.: *Finnish Ch'ship*: Vesa Latikaainen 5-dan.  
25, 26: *Norwegian Ch'ship*: Jostein Flood 5-dan.  
26: *28th Wessex* (Marlborough) (100 players): Tony Goddard.  
*Venezuelan Ch'ship*: Heiryck Gonzalez.

### November

- 1, 2: *Brussels Grand Prix*: Park Sang-Nam 6-dan 5-0.  
1, 2: *University of Maryland College Park Ing's* (32 players): Kevin Lee 6-dan.  
8: *November Dallas Metro* (15 players): Weiping Shi 5-dan.  
8, 9: *Göteborg Grand Prix*: Thomas Heshe 5-dan 5-0.  
8, 9: *Three Peaks* (Yorkshire): Francis Roads 4-dan.  
8, 9: *1st Argentina-Chile* (Santiago): *Groups 1 & 3*: Argentina; *Group 2*: Chile.  
13-16: *German Ch'ship*: Egbert Rittner 6-dan.  
15: *Ann Arbor Go Club 1997 Fall* (47 players): Eric Machlup 3-dan.  
15, 16: *Martini Cup* (Groningen): Gilles van Eeden 6-dan 5-0.

16–18: *Swiss Ch'ship*: Hui Li 5-dan. *Women's Ch'ship*: Ursula Dumermuth.  
22, 23: *Kiev Grand Prix*: Dmitriy Bogatskiy 6-dan 5–0.  
22, 23: *Toulouse*: Fred Renaud.  
22, 23: *Paris Meijin*: Wataru Miyakawa.  
23: *5th Swindon* (70 players): Simon Shiu 3-dan.  
23: *Twin Cities* (Minneapolis/St. Paul) (27 players): On 4–0: Gunok Jung, Matthew Curan, Agnes Rzepecki, Kuba Kraszkievicz.  
29, 30: *Arnhem* (Holland): WillemKoen Pomstra 5-dan 4–1.  
30: *British 13x13* (Cambridge) (20 players): Yongcheol Shin 3-dan.

## **December**

5–8: *11th North American Fujitsu Qualifier* (San Francisco): Michael Redmond (defeated Jimmy Cha in final).  
6, 7: *Rouen* (56 players): A. Roche 3-dan.  
7: *Embassy* (Amstelveen): André Engels 1-dan.  
7: *West Surrey Handicap* (Burpham Village) (58 players): David Ward 3-dan.  
11–13: *Spanish Ch'ship*: Cesar Sanchez Munoz.  
12, 13: *Korean Amateur Ch'ship*: Kim Chan-woo.  
13: *Seattle Korean*: Kum Kang Lee 6-dan.  
13: *Go-gong* (Leiden): Arnoud Rutgers van der Loeff 3-dan 5–1.  
13, 14: *Fujitsu Finals* (Amstelveen): 1st: Catalin Taranu 2-dan (pro.); 2nd: Cristian Pop 6-dan.  
20: *20th Ljubljana Open* (handicap): Leon Matoh.  
20, 21: *Rotterdam*: Wan-Kee Joo 5-dan 4–1.

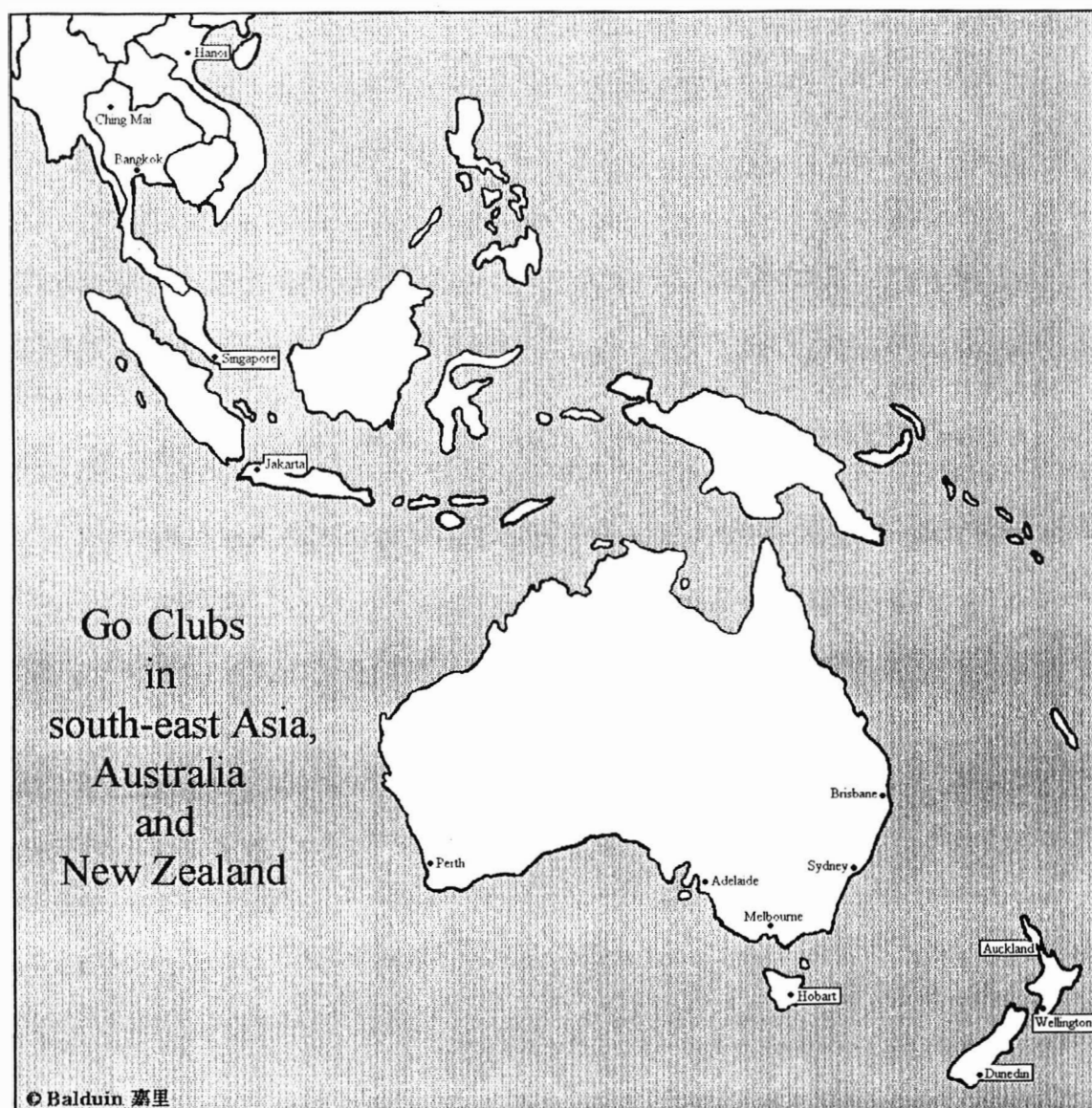


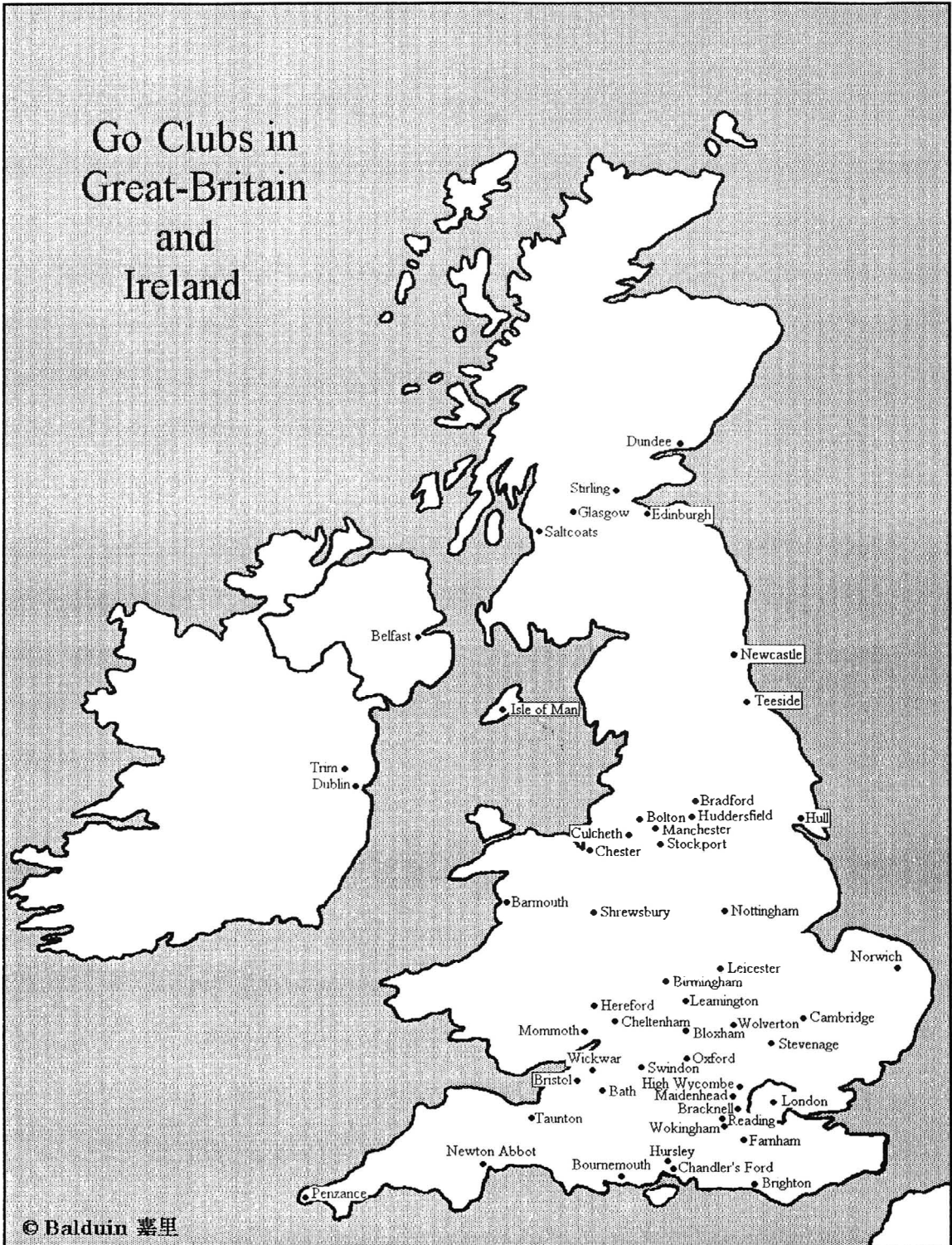
# Maps of the Go Clubs of the World

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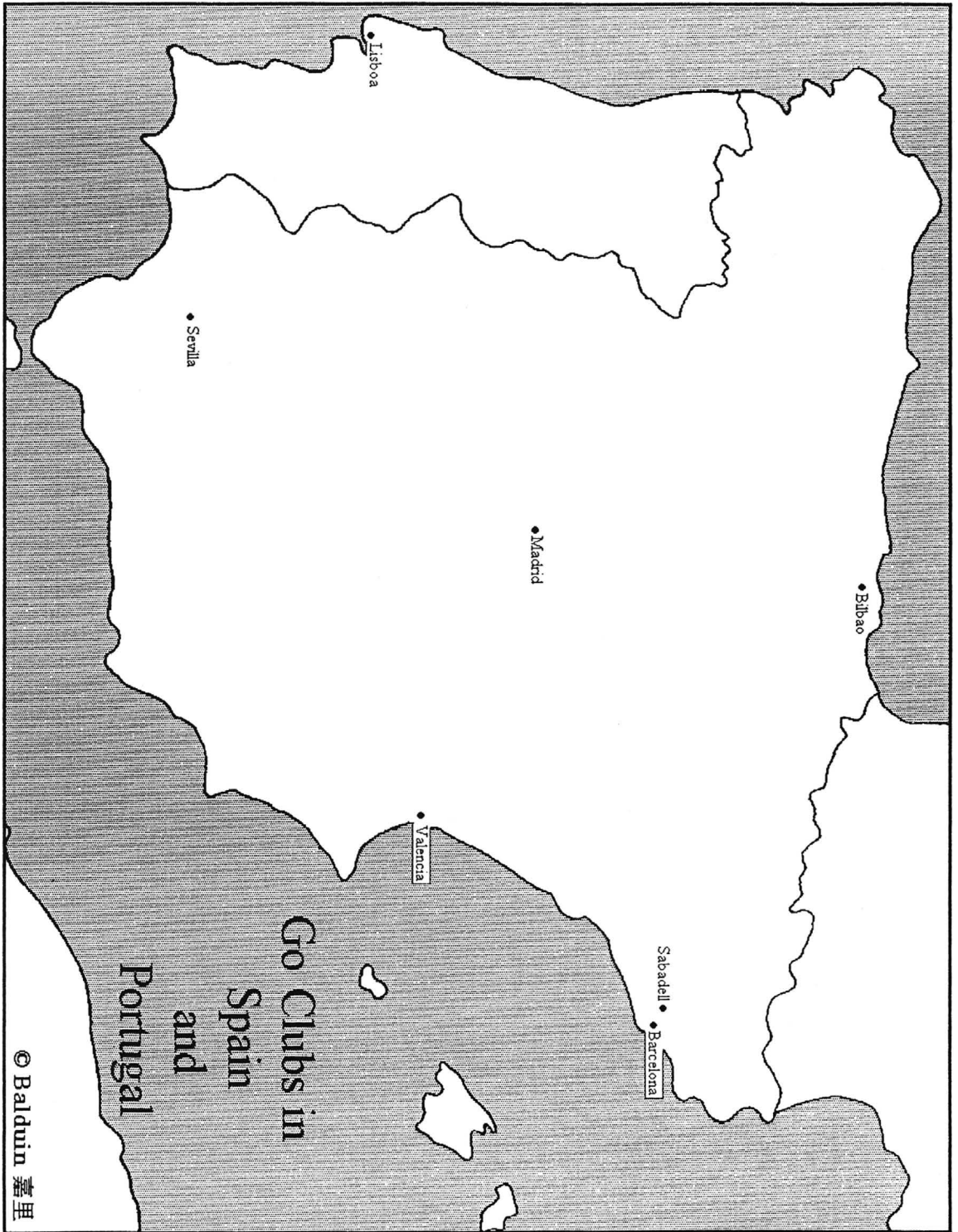
The following maps are an attempt to visualize the worldwide spread of go. Go clubs (•) and sometimes single contacts (o) are shown. The sources are various go lists on the Internet (as of February 1998). I hope these maps will help you to find a go club or a go player in your neighbourhood or in other parts of the world. If you then play a game, notice how often you find yourself sharing a smile. Then my work won't have been in vain.

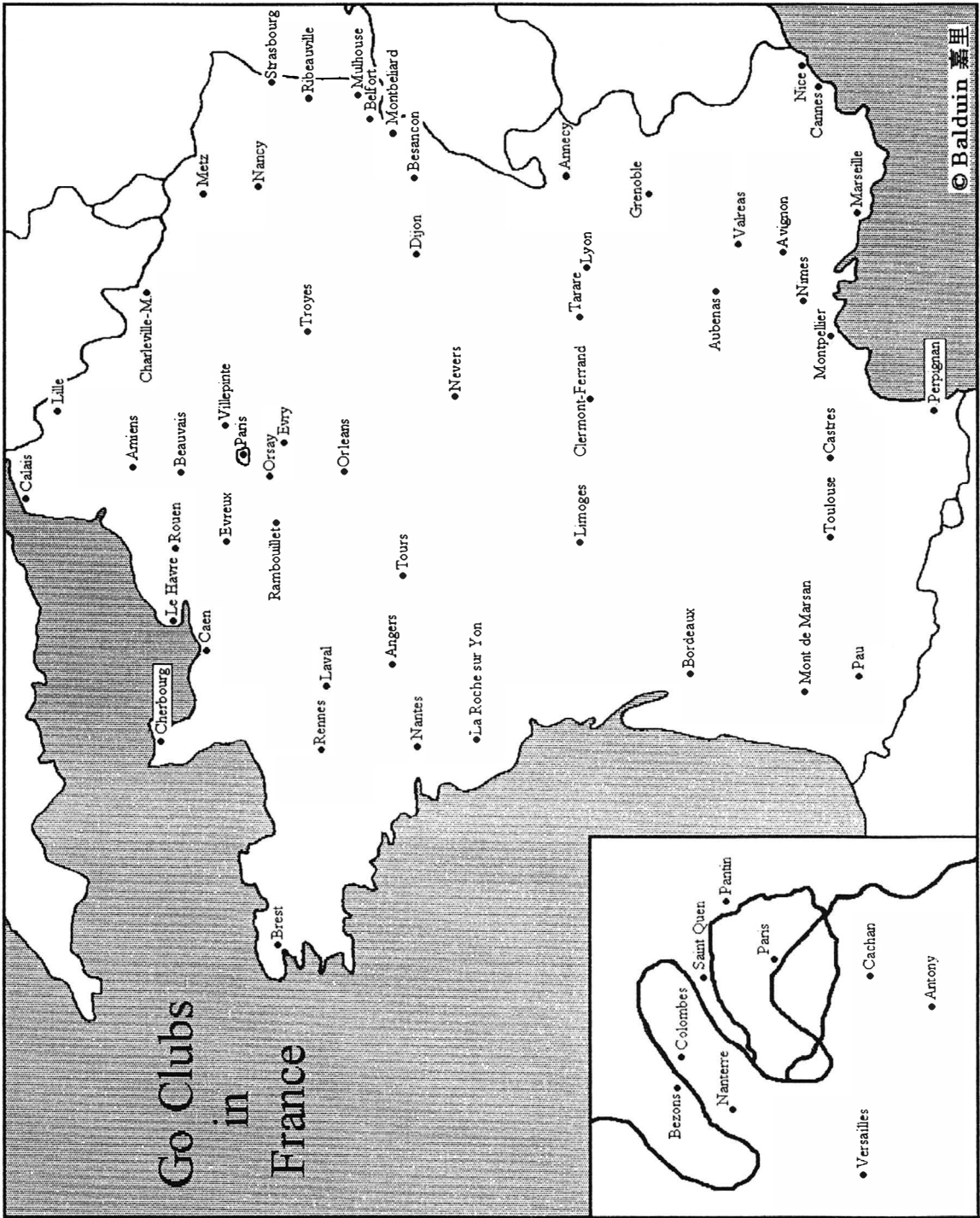
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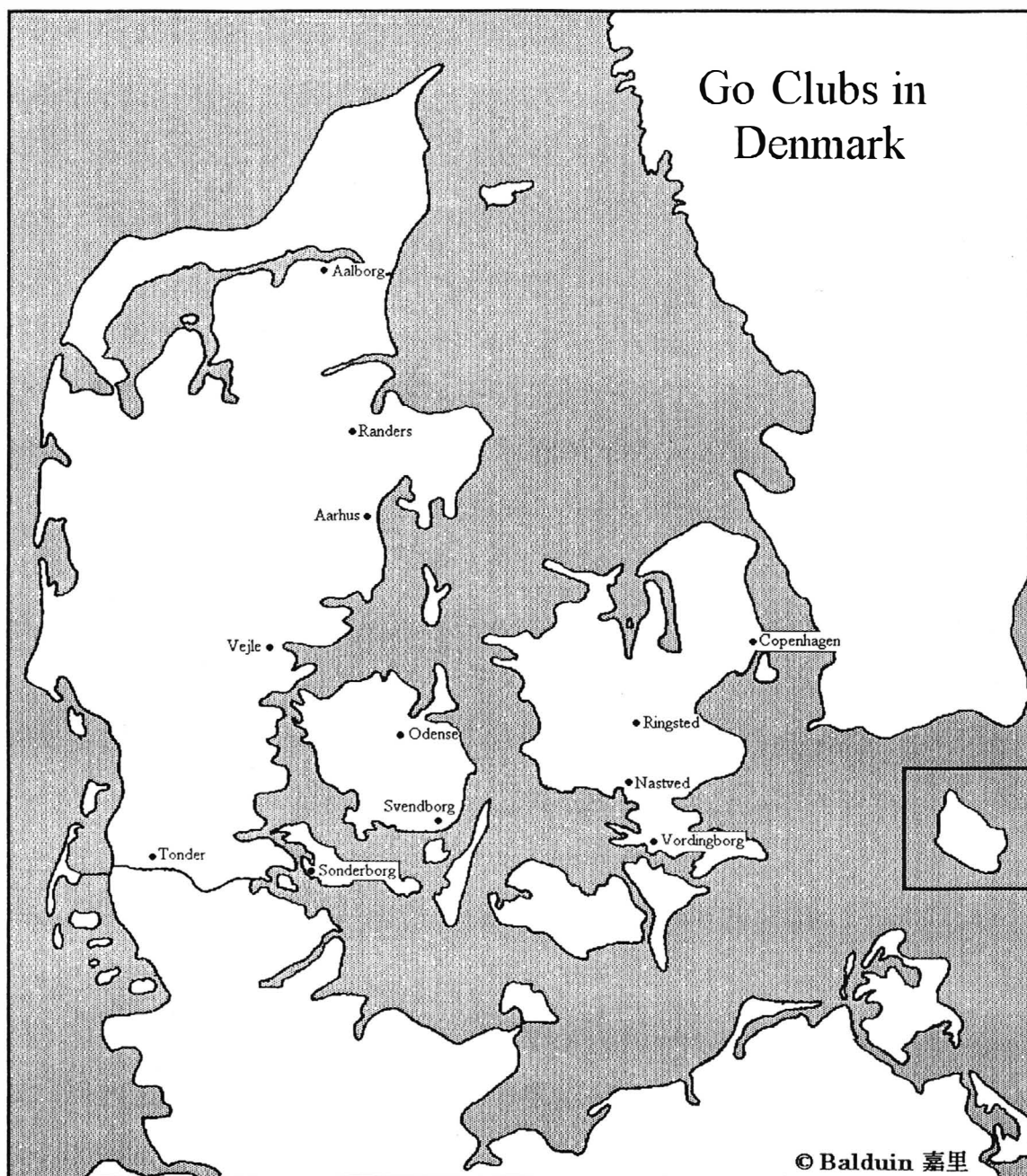
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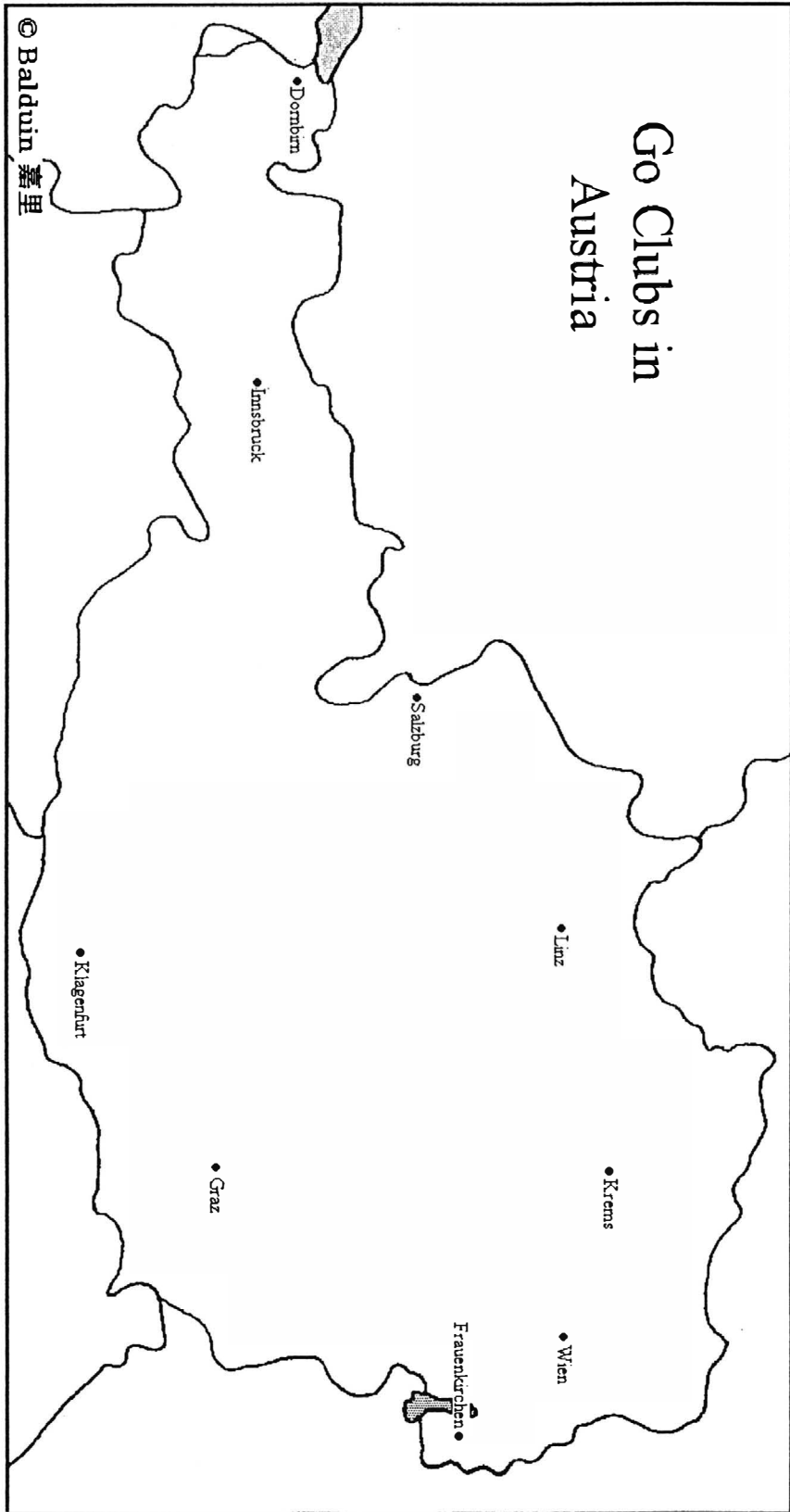
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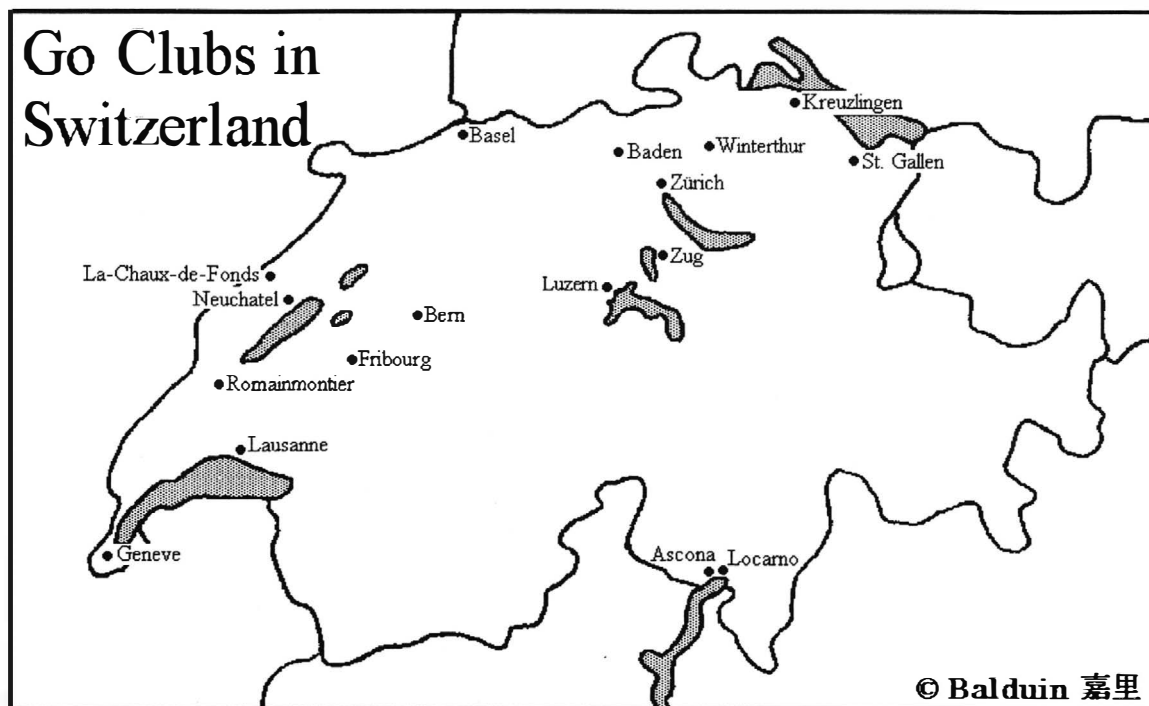


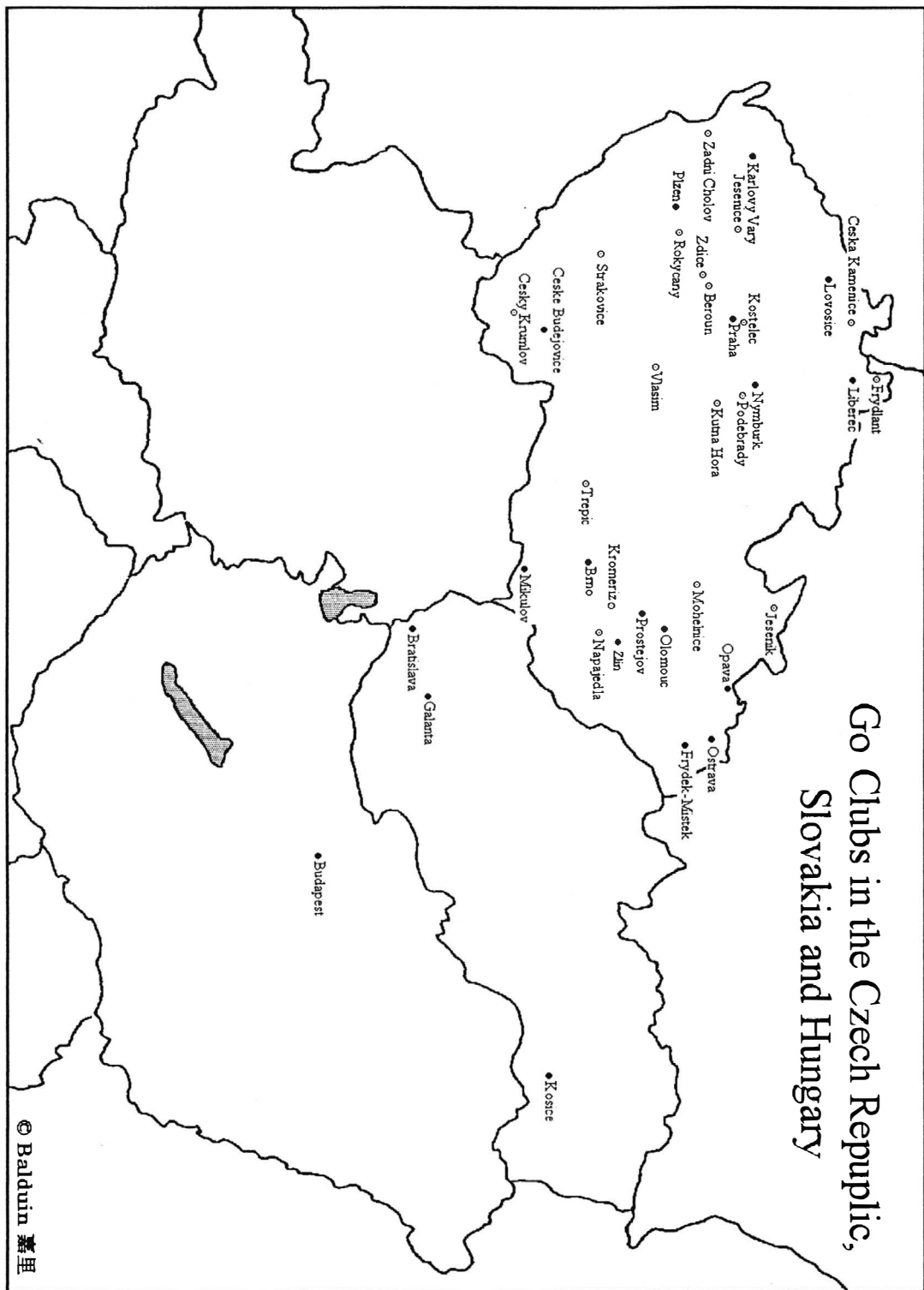


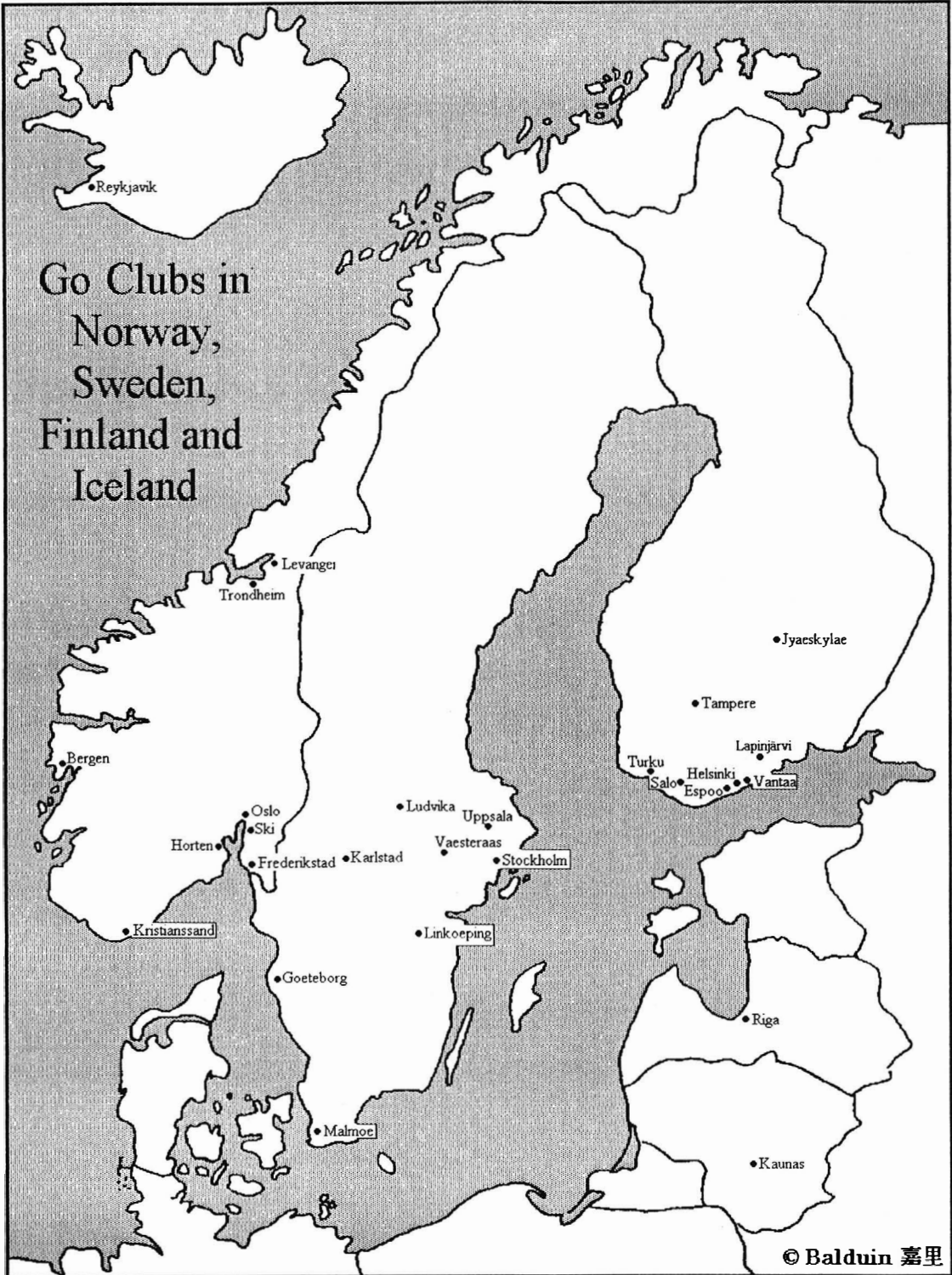


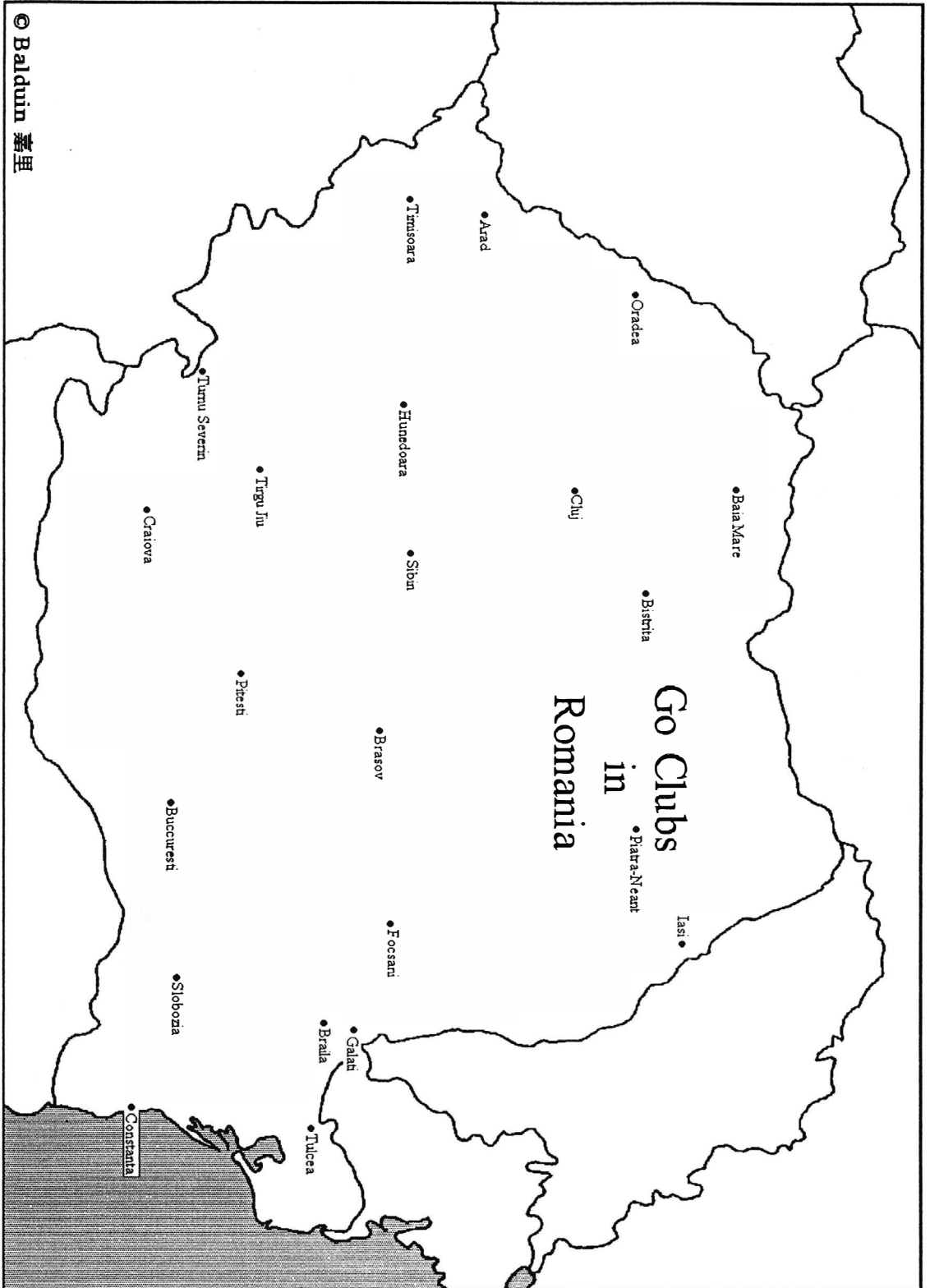










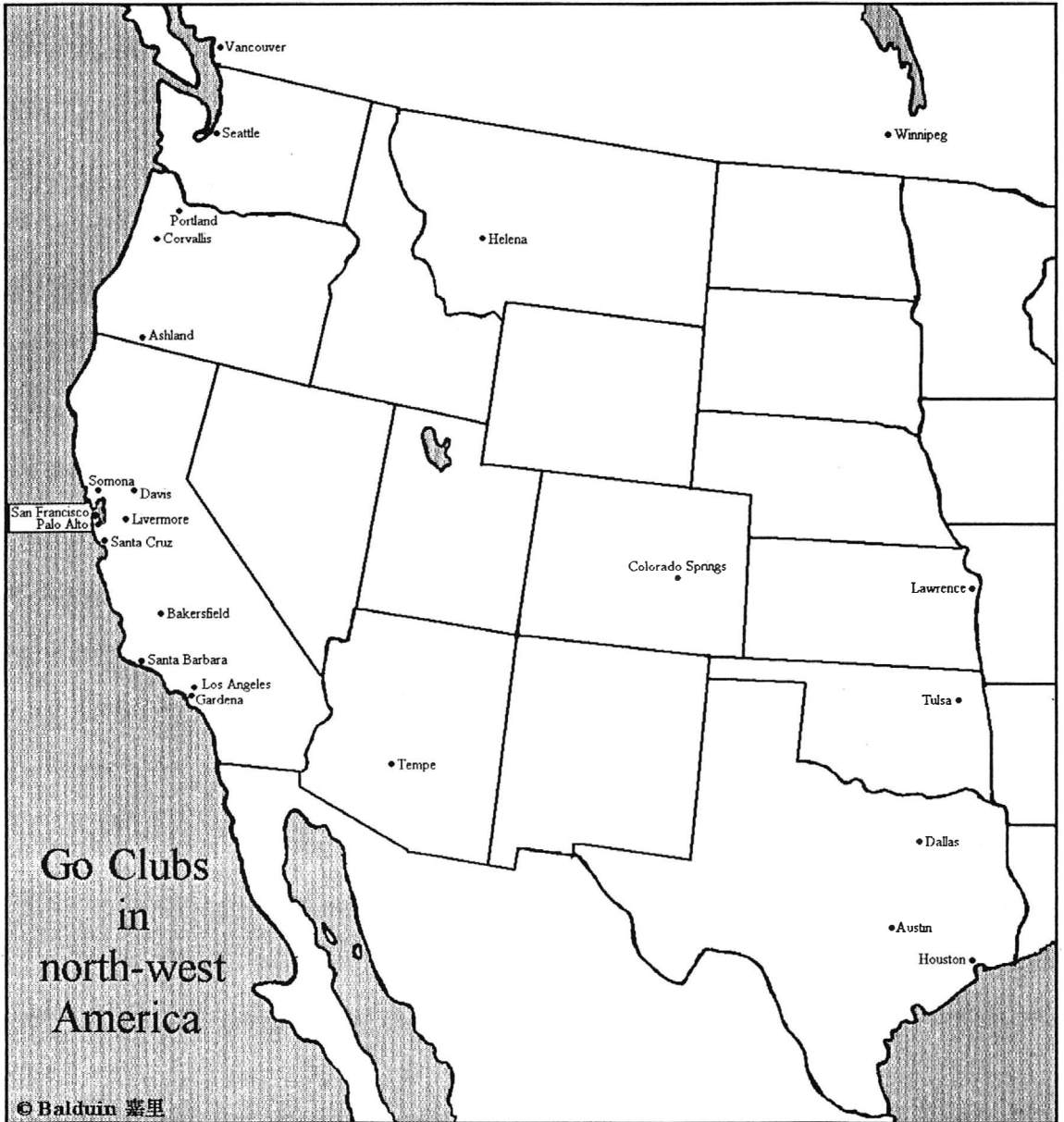














# Go Clubs Around the World

Below is the most up-to-date listing of the go clubs of the world available to us in the IGF Office. Where possible, we have given the addresses of both the national associations and their member clubs. However, since club details change so rapidly, we have chosen not to reproduce the club lists given in the 1995 Yearbook in cases where we have not received updates.

Note that with telephone numbers we have omitted the initial zero from area codes, so if you are dialling from within the country concerned, please add a zero to the area code, which is usually given in brackets. The country code number is given at least once for each country, but no attempt has been made at consistency.

Please also note that the maps of go clubs in the preceding section were drawn on the basis of information from different sources, so the lists below may not match the maps exactly.

The IGF Office will be very grateful for any additions/corrections that readers can send us. The next comprehensive listing will be published in 2001.

## *Argentina*

Dr. Hugo D. Scolnik  
President  
Argentine Go Association  
Paraguay 1858  
Buenos Aires  
Tel. (54) (1) 774-6148 (home), 970-6665  
(cellular).

### *Canberra Go Club*

Meets: Wednesday evenings  
At: Mathematics Common Room, Australian  
National University.  
Contact: Neville Smythe, tel. 02-6249-2709.

### *Brisbane Go Club*

Meets: Tuesday evenings  
At: 16 Charlotte Street, Brisbane.  
Contact: Mark Bell, tel. 07-3862-1480.

## *Australia*

*Australian Go Association*  
GPO Box 65, Canberra, ACT 2601.  
Tel. (61) 2-6249 2709 (work), 2-6232 7277  
(home). Fax 2-6249 5549.  
E-mail: Neville Smythe @anu.edu.au

### *Adelaide Go Club*

Meets: Wednesday evenings  
At: Room 6, 309 South Tce, Adelaide.  
Contact: Brenton Williams, tel. 08-8281-  
7444.

### *Perth Go Club*

Contact: Quinton Marks, tel. 08-9335-8884.

### *Sydney Go Club*

Meets: Friday evenings  
At: Western Suburbs League Club, 115 Liv-  
erpool Rd, Ashfield.  
Contact: Devon Bailey, tel. 02-9534-1321.

### *Melbourne Go Club*

Meets: Tuesday evenings  
At: The Old Church, 297 Springvale Road,  
Glen Waverley.  
Contact: Brad Melki, tel. 03-9528-1149.

## *Austria*

### **Osterreichischer Go-Verband**

President: Dr. Alfred Kriegler, Scheibel-  
reitergasse 12, A-1190 Wien. Tel. (43) (1) 32  
62 61.

Secretary: Alfred Effenberg, Testarellogasse  
31/7, A-1130 Wien. Tel. (43) (1) 877 69 56.  
E-mail: gofred@netway.at

Fax (c/o Franz Hüttler): (43) (1) 985 45 35.

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### **Vienna Go Center**

1, Esslinggasse 4.

Wednesday, 19:00 to 24:00; Sunday, 14:00 to 23:00. Contact: Franz Hüttler, 985 45 35.

### **Wiedner Billard Center (Vienna)**

4., Rechte Wienzeile 35.

Wednesday, 19:00 to 2:00; Friday, 19:00 to 2:00; Sunday, 15:00 to 22:00.

### **Café Kriemhild**

15., Markgraf Rüdigerstrasse 14.

Tuesday, 19:00 to 24:00; Thursday, 19:00 to 24:00.

### **Frauenkirchen**

Contact: Mag Kurt Paar, tel. (43) (2172) 2433.

### **Graz**

'Brot und Spiele', Mariahilferstrasse 17, 8020 Graz. Wednesday and Friday from 19:00.

Contact: David Hilbert, tel. (43) (316) 693782.

Martin Gomilschak, tel. (43) (316) 678471 (home), 380 3542 (office).

### **Klagenfurt**

Café 'Fritz', St. Ruprechterstr. 32, 9020 Klagenfurt. Tuesday from 18:00 (confirm first).

Contact: Günter Poprat, tel. (43) (463) 310859.

### **Krems**

Volksheim Lerchenfeld, WSV Voest-Alpine Krems, 3502 Krems-Lerchenfeld. Every first and third Monday from 20:00. Contact:

Walter Zickbauer, tel. (43) (2732) 82100; (2732 885 355).

### **Linz**

VHS Linz, Chr. Coulinstrasse 18, 4020 Linz. Thursdays, 18:00 to 22:00 (on schooldays).

Contact: Anton Steininger, (43) (732) 603345; Clemens Strutzenberger, tel. (732) 664607.

### **Salzburg**

Chinese Restaurant "Yuen", Getreideg. 24, 5020 Salzburg. Tuesday from 19:00. Contact: Joe Amersdorfer, tel. (43) (662) 825202.

### **Dornbirn**

Contact: Robert Bohlen, tel. (43) (5572) 672 655.

## **Belarus**

Contact: Alexander Suponev, F. Skarina's Ave. 46/151, BEL-220005 Minsk. Tel. (375) 172-325636.

## **Belgium**

### **Belgian Go Association**

c/o Jan Bogaerts (President)

Jan Mulsstraat, 110

1853 Strombeek-Bever.

Tel., fax: (32) 2-267.97.98.

### **Brussels**

Café "Le Pantin"

Chaussée d'Ixelles, 355, 1050 Brussels.

Saturday from 15:00 to 19:00.

Contact: David Hanon, Rue Général Henry, 171, 1040 Brussels. Tel. (32) 2-649.58.15.

Café "Le Greenwich"

Rue des Chartreux, 7, 1000 Brussels.

Thursday from 20:00 to 23:00.

Contact: Jean-Denis Hennebert, Avenue du Jonc, 15, 1180 Brussels. Tel. (32) 2-332.04.69.

### **Leuven**

Café "den Amadée"

Muntstraat, 3000 Leuven.

Tuesday from 20:00 to 23:00.

Contact: Peter Leyssens, Strijdersstraat, 63 (box 26), 3000 Leuven. Tel. (32) 16-23.79.19.

### **Louvain-la Neuve**

Café "La Rive Blanche"

Rue des Wallons, 64, 1348 Louvain-la-Neuve.

Tuesday from 20:00 to 23:00.

Contact: Michel Ghislain, rue des Wallons, 39 (box 109), 1348 Louvain-la-Neuve.

Tel. (32) 10-41.03.03.

### **Antwerpen**

Café "Zurenborg"

Dageraadplaats, 4, 2018 Antwerpen.

Monday from 20:00 to 23:00.

Contact: Marcel Van Herck, Brialmontei, 66, 2018 Antwerpen. Tel. (32) 3-230.19.25.

### **Gent**

Kortrijkssteenweg, 1, 9000 Gent.

Monday from 20:00 to 23:00.

Contact: Stefan Verstaeten, Charles de Kerchovelaan, 355, 9000 Gent. Tel. (32) 9-221.25.98.

### **Liège**

Taverne "Saint-Paul"

Rue Saint-Paul, 8 (1er étage), 4000 Liège.

Wednesday from 19:30 to 23:00.

Contact: Vincent Croisier, Boulevard d'Avroy, 65, 4000 Liège. Tel. (32) 4-223.65.10.

## **Brazil**

Nihon Ki-in do Brazil, S/C Ltda

Paraca Arquimedes da Silva, No. 116, Sao Paulo. Tel. (55) (11) 571-2847.

## **Bulgaria**

Contact: Ioni Lazarov, POB 87, 1408 Sofia.

E-mail: S967310@comm.uni-svishtov.bg

## **Canada**

### **Canadian Go Association**

President/International Liaison: David W. Erbach, 71 Brixford Crescent, Winnipeg,

Manitoba R2N 1E1. Tel. (204) 256-2537.

Vice President: Sunghwa Hong, 7033 204th St., Langley, B.C., V3R 4P7. Tel. (604) 533-0892.

2nd Vice President: Pat Thompson (address temporarily unavailable)

Registrar/Treasurer: Carlos Carvalho, 71 St. Dunstan's Bay, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3T 3H6. Tel. (204) 452-6472.

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Club Co-ordinator: Michael Falk, 1591 Conrose Ave., Halifax, Nova Scotia, B3H 4C4. Tel. (902) 422-5173.

Book Manager: Carlos Costa, 3641 Banff Ave., Burnaby, British Columbia, V5G 3N5.

Executives at large: Charles Chang (Ottawa), Steven Mays (Montreal), Suhk Joo Yoon (Toronto)

## **British Columbia**

### **Canada West Go Association**

Ken Chou, #125A-8231 Cambie Road, Richmond, BC, V6X 1J8. Tel. (604) 303-0352.

### **Cowichan Valley Go Association**

Richard Neil, P.O. Box 2, Shawnigan Lake, BC, V0R 2W0. Tel. (604) 263-9164.

### **Kootenay Lake Go Club**

Alan Inkster, 1423 Hall Street, Nelson, BC, V1L 2A7. Tel. (604) 352-3463.

### **Vancouver Korean Baduk Association**

Sunghwa Hong, 7033 204th Street, Langley, BC, V3R 4P7. Tel. (604) 876-2728 (work), (604) 533-0892 (home), (604) 876-7255 (club). E-mail: hong@infomatch.com

Carlos Costa, 3641 Banff Ave., Burnaby,

BC, V5G 3N5. Tel. (604) 734-7494 (work),  
(604) 293-1971 (home).  
E-mail: calo@cyberus.ca

#### **Vancouver Go Association**

Keiji Shimizu, 5850 Fremlin Street, Vancouver, BC, V5Z 3W7. Tel. (604) 263-9164.

#### **Victoria Go Club**

Kirk Westergaard, tel. (250) 382-0058; Paul Hovey, (250) 385-1518.

### **Alberta**

#### **Edmonton Sabaki Go Club**

Chuck Elliott, 10828 122nd Street, Edmonton, AB, T5M 0A6. Tel. (403) 426-5716 (work), (403) 452-1874 (home).  
E-mail: kakari@kakari.com

Steve Nicely, #1207 11111 87th Ave., Edmonton, AB, T6G 0X9. Tel. (403) 432-1402.  
E-mail: steven@planet.eon.net

Terence Fung, 5812-181 Street, Edmonton, AB, T6M 1V7. Tel. (403) 427-0751.  
E-mail: FUNGTE@health.gov.ab.ca

#### **Calgary Go Club**

Terry Joubert, 150 3rd St., N.W., Calgary, AB, T2M 2X9. Tel. (403) 230-8364.

### **Saskatchewan**

#### **Regina Go club**

Grant Kerr, 45 Martin Street, Regina, SK, S4S 3W4. Tel. (306) 584-9547.  
E-mail: gkerr@cips.ca

### **Manitoba**

#### **Winnipeg Go Club**

David Erbach, 71 Brixford Cres., Winnipeg, MB, R2N 1E1. Tel. (204) 256-2537  
E-mail: erbach@uwinnipeg.ca

### **Ontario**

#### **Deep River Go Club**

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E-mail: kdeugau@intranet.ca

#### **Guelph Go Club**

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E-mail: jlampert@uoguelph.ca

#### **Hamilton Go Club**

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E-mail: nogami@mcmaster.ca

#### **Kingston Go Club**

TaFang Huang, 920 Nottinghill Ave., Kingston, ON, K7P 2B4. Tel. (613) 389-4571.  
E-mail: 4js2@qlink.queensu.ca

#### **London Go Club**

David Herd, 423 Colborn Street #4, London, ON, N6B 2T2. Tel. (519) 439-2951.

#### **Marmora Go Club**

Peter Hamley, RR#1, Marmora, ON, K0K 2M0. Tel. (613) 472-2439.

#### **Ottawa Chinese Go Club**

Charles Chang, 917 Killeen Avenue, Ottawa, ON, K2A 2Y1. Tel. (613) 722-0603.  
E-mail: ab073@freenet.carleton.ca

#### **Ottawa Go Club**

Marc Lecours, 66 Blackburn Ave., Ottawa, ON, K1N 8A5. Tel. (613) 233-6965.  
E-mail: mleours@cyberus.ca

#### **Peterborough Go Club**

John Hillman, 476 Bonaccord Street, Peterborough, ON, K9H 3A6. Tel. (705) 748-1398 (work), (705) 742-1307 (home).  
E-mail: jhillman@trentu.ca

#### **St. Catherines Go Club**

Peter McMain, 98 Riverview Blvd., St. Catherines, ON, L2T 3M2. Tel. (905) 685-0736.

#### **Toronto Chinese Go Club**

Mario Moran, 10 Skelton Street, Toronto, ON, M8V 3W4. Tel. (416) 259-5408.  
E-mail: moran5@interlog.com

#### **Toronto Go Club**

Mario Moran (see above)  
Pat Thompson (address temporarily unavailable).

**Toronto Korean Baduk Association**

June Ki Beck, 485 St. Charles Ave., Toronto, ON, M6H 3W4. Tel. (416) 535-2501.

**University of Waterloo Go Club**

Jonathan Buss, #506-300 Keats Way, Waterloo, ON, N2L 6E6. Tel. (519) 747-2771.

E-mail: jfbuss@math.uwaterloo.ca

Mike Wionzek, 5-415 Cadbury Ct., Waterloo, ON, N2K 3G4. Tel. (519) 746-8706. E-mail: friendly@golden.net

**Québec**

**Montreal Go Club**

Andre Labelle, 574 Lartigue Apt. #5, Laval, QC, H7N 3T8. Tel. (514) 975-7140.

Steven Mays, P.O. Box 403, Station Beaubien, Montreal, QC, H2G 3E1. Tel. (514) 279-1436. E-mail: smays@videotron.ca

**Quebec Go Club**

François Gourdeau, 444 Ravel, Beauport, QC, G1C 4Y1. Tel. (418) 667-0272.

E-mail: igo@total.net

**New Brunswick**

**St. John Go Club**

Robert McLardy, 1054 Mollins Dr. # 3, St. John, NB, E2M 4L8. Tel. (506) 672-0013.

E-mail: eamowatt@nbnet.nb.ca

**Nova Scotia**

**Halifax GoClub**

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Steve Coughlan, 33 Melrose Ave., Halifax, NS, B3H 1E4. Tel. (902) 494-1018 (work), (902) 477-1766 (home).

E-mail: stephen.coughlan@dal.ca

**Chile**

**Chile Go Association**

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**China**

**Chinese Weiqi Association**

c/o China Qi Yuan, 80 Tian Tan Dong Road, Beijing 100061. Tel. (86) 10-6711-4680. Fax 10-6711-5176.

**Chinese Taipei**

**Chinese Taipei Wei-ch'i Association**

#35, 4th Floor, Kung-Fu S. Rd, Taipei, Taiwan. Tel. (886) 2-761-4117, -4119. Fax 2-768-6940.

**Colombia**

**Colombian Go Association**

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**Crimea (Ukraine)**

**Crimean Go Association P.b.**

1113 UKR-333035 Simferopol. Tel. (380) 652485037, 652-254688.

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Yury Makeyev, tel. (380) 652-278651 (home), 652-490521/446912 (work).

(Avrika) Yury Lishko, tel. (380) 652-274773.

(Voskresenie) Oleg Kravtsov, St. Melitopol'skay, Sinferopol. Tel. (380) 652-268092.

(Zavodskoye) Yury Makeyev, see above.

(Children's Go Club) Tatyashvakoliuk Serbina, Oleg Mramomaya str. 42/26, Sinferopol.

(Vostok) Konstantin Voznikov, Marshala Zshukovastr. 35, Sinferopol. Tel. (380) 652-485037 (K. Voznikov).

## Croatia

### Croatian Go Association

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E-mail: [higou@posluh.hr](mailto:higou@posluh.hr).telefon  
Tel. (01) 3841-042, fax (01) 3840-413.

President: Milan Ogrizovic, Jana Sibeliusa 4,  
Precko, CRO-41000 Zagreb. Tel. (385) 41 381  
377 (home), 41 456 466 (work).

## Czech Republic

### Czech Go Association

c/o Vladimír Danek, Chairman  
Společná 7  
CZ-18200 Praha 8.  
Tel. (420) 2-8388 2224, fax 2-8388-2225.

International Secretary: Jiri Rakosnik  
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CZ-10000 Praha 10.  
Tel. 2-771831 (home), 2-22211631 (work).  
E-mail: [rakosnik@math.cas.cz](mailto:rakosnik@math.cas.cz)

Internet page:  
<http://water.fce.vutbr.cz/~slavek/go.htm>

### Go clubs

#### Prague

Opletalova 26, Praha 1.  
Tuesday 17:00 to 21:00.  
Contact: Vladimír Danek.

#### Pilsen

TJ Potraviny, Radcicka 4.  
Thursday 17:00 to 21:00.  
Contact: Tomas Koranda, tel. 19-520652  
(home), 19-7213298 (work).

#### Brno

Contact: Slavek Zmec, tel. 5-356415 (home),  
5-45321248 (work).

#### Liberec

Contact: Ivan Kopal, tel. 48-5131384 (home).

### Nymburk

Contact: Radek Nechanicky, tel. 325-61310  
(home).

### Olomouc

Contact: Vaclav Gobl, tel. 68-5418773  
(home), 68-5311158 (work).

### Ostrava

Contact: Martin Ciepły, tel. 69-351275  
(home), 69-355287 (work)

### Frydek-Mistek

Hlavní tr. 112.  
Wednesday 17:00 to 21:00.  
Contact: Peter Valasek, tel. 658-32994  
(home), 658-31972 (work).

### Zlin

DDM ASTRA, Tyrsovo n.  
Wednesday 16:00 to 20:00.  
Contact: Rosta Svoboda, tel. 67-38717  
(home).

## Denmark

### Danish Go Association

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Højmosse Vænge 13, 6 tv.  
DK-2970 Hørsholm.  
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E-mail: [Frank.Hansen@econ.ku.dk](mailto:Frank.Hansen@econ.ku.dk)

Secretary: Thomas Heshe, Rantzausgade 38,  
1 tv., DK-9000 Aalborg. Tel. (45) 98-137582.  
E-mail: [Thomas\\_Heshe@fc.sdb.dk](mailto:Thomas_Heshe@fc.sdb.dk)

### Copenhagen Go Club

Meets at: Mellemtoftevej 11, Valby, Monday  
and Wednesday from 19:00. Tel. 36 46 01 41.  
Contact: Kasper Hornbæk, Husungade 36,  
1.tv., 2200 Kbh N. Tel. 35835088. E-mail:  
[kash@diku.dk](mailto:kash@diku.dk)

Torben Pedersen, Dagmarsgade 28, #84,  
2200 Kbh N. Tel. 35838447. E-mail: [tp@io.dk](mailto:tp@io.dk)

Home page: <http://users.cybercity.dk/~dko7155/cgc.html>



**Årbus Go Club**

Vesterbro Beboerbushus, Hjortensgade 23.  
Tuesdays.  
Contact: Per Liboriussen, tel. 8613 4946.

**Odense Go Club**

Cafeen, Bolbro Brugerhus, Stadionvej 50.  
Fridays.  
Contact: Erik Breum Petersen, tel. 6479 2288.

**Ringsted Go Club**

Medborgerhuset, Søgade 3.  
Some Mondays and Wednesdays.  
Contact: Peter Andersen, 5752 7292.

***D.P.R. Korea***

**The DPR Korean Go Association**

Kumson-dong 2, Mangyongdae District,  
Pyong-yang. Tel. (850) 2-3814164, fax 2-  
3814403.

***European Go Cultural Centre***

Schokland 14, NL-1181 HV Amstelveen.  
Tel. (31) (20) 6455555, fax 6473209.  
E-mail: egcc@xs4all.nl

***European Go Federation***

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E-mail: francis@jfroards.demon.co.uk

Secretary: Martin Finke  
Schovenhof 26, 6418 JN Heerlen,  
Netherlands. Tel. (31) 45-5425096 (home).  
Fax (work) 45-5668016 c/o Finke.  
E-mail: M.FINKE@tip.nl

***Finland***

**Finnish Go Association (Suomen go-liitto ry)**

Matti Siivola, Rautkalliontie 4 B 24  
01360 Vantaa.  
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E-mail: Matti.Siivola@helsinki.fi

***France***

**Fédération Française de Go**

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75262 Paris Cedex 06.  
Tel. (1) 45 31 57 38.

*The listing of French go clubs begins on the next page.*

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### Ligue Rhône-Alpes

Didier Garcia - 04 78 85 91 48  
12 rue Branly - 69100 Villeurbanne  
François Mizessyn - 04 75 46 08 88  
30 Ave Teil - 26200 Montélimar

#### ANNECY (74An)

Mercredi 20h à 24h - Hôtel Table d'hôtes P. Abeillaz  
2 avenue de la Mavéria, Annecy le Vieux - 04 50 23 34 43  
Vincent Bernard - 04 50 68 90 63  
Impasse du Léchet - 74410 Saint-Jorioz

#### AUBENAS (07Au)

Mercredi 20h, Centre Culturel d'Aubenas  
Pierre Alleman - 04 75 93 99 51  
Chapias, La Beaume - 07120 Ruoms

#### DIJON (21Di)

Mardi 20h/23h, FJT de DIJON, 4 rue du Pont des Tanneries  
Michel Chaillas - 03 80 66 53 80  
21 rue de Montmartre - 21000 Dijon

#### EYBENS - Hewlett-Packard (38HP)

Mardi, 19h, Foyer de Hewlett-Packard  
5 av. Raymond Chanas, Eybens  
Olivier Thizy - (T) 04 76 14 51 71 - (D) 04 76 24 39 96  
Adresse postale : Hewlett-Packard, à l'att. de Olivier Thizy,  
5 av. Raymond Chanas - 38320 Eybens

#### GRENOBLE (38Gr)

Lundi et mercredi 20h/1h, bar Le Beaulieu, place Gustave Rivet  
Vendredi 18h/1h, ADAJE, 7bis rue Aristide Bergès  
Aude Friren - 04 76 73 25 12  
Adresse postale : Go, ADAJE, 7bis rue Aristide Bergès  
38000 Grenoble

#### GRENOBLE-INPG (38IG)

Tous les jours, K'Fet INPG, Cercle INPG  
Domaine Universitaire - 04 76 42 20 42  
Stéphane Bach - 04 76 51 77 67  
Résidence de la Houille Blanche  
2 Ave des Jeux Olympiques - 38100 Grenoble

#### LYON (69Ly)

Mardi et jeudi 21h, l'Apostrophe, Place St Paul, Lyon  
Thierry Charlet - 04 78 29 36 56  
3 rue Burdeau - 69001 Lyon

#### MONTELMAR (26Mo)

Samedi 14h30, MJC de Montélimar  
François Mizessyn - 04 75 46 08 88  
30 Ave Teil - 26200 Montélimar

#### TARARE-JEUNES (69LJ)

Lycée Bel Air - 69170 Tarare  
Jean Christophe Honoré - 04 74 70 19 32  
Les Ruelles - 69770 Longessaigne

### Ligue Ile-de-France

Gérard Millier - 01 47 73 92 11 - e-mail gem@club-internet.fg  
126 rue Salvador Allende - 92000 Nanterre  
Christian Momier - 01 69 43 74 14  
10 Villa Léonard de Vinci - 91860 Epinay sous Sénart

#### ANTONY (92An)

Jeudi 20h30 /24h - 42 rue Céline  
Marion Duteurtre - 01 69 40 92 70  
30 rue du Château - 91270 Vigneux sur Seine

#### BEZONS (95Sa)

Mardi 20h30 Maison de Quartier du Colombier  
Acacio Vale-Perez - 01 30 76 37 06  
89 bis rue Jean Jaurès - 95870 Bezons

#### CACHAN (94Ca)

Mardi 20h30, MJL de Cachan, Théâtre - 21 Av Louis Georgeon  
Pascal Tariel - 01 46 63 78 54  
6 rue de la citadelle - 94230 Cachan

#### COLOMBES (92Co)

Jeudi 16h/22h Café - jeux associatif Tart'en Pions  
Square/rue Denis Papin - 01 47 82 46 38  
Antoine Roché - 01 47 86 18 25  
9 rue Paul Bert - 92700 Colombes

#### EPINAY SOUS SENART (91Ep)

Mardi soir 20h chez l'habitant  
Christian Momier - 01 69 43 74 14  
10 Villa Léonard de Vinci - 91860 Epinay sous Senart

#### EVRY (91Ev)

Mardi 20h30-Local ACV, 30 allée Jean Rostand  
Christian Jeuffroy - 01 64 97 13 23  
14 allée Jean Rostand - 91000 Evry

#### LEVALLOIS (92Le)

Mercredi 21h /24h, 4 rue Arthur Ladwig - Levallois-Perret  
Joseph Penet - 01 42 05 70 49  
48 rue Archereau - 75019 Paris

#### MONTREUIL et EST PARISIEN (93Mo)

Mardi 19h/23h, Centre culturel Jean Lurçat (RdC)  
4 place du marché - 93100 Montreuil (à 100 mètres du métro «Croix de Chaveau»)  
Bernard Dubois - 01 48 44 93 01  
60 rue Saint Germain - 93230 Romainville  
Laurent Hivert - 67 bis rue de Paris - 93100 Montreuil

#### ORLEANS (45Or)

Jean Michel Cousin - 01 38 72 28 41  
328 rue du Fg Bannier - 45400 Fleury-les-Aubrais

#### ORSAY (91Or)

Jeudi 20h30-12 passage du Chemin de Fer, Orsay  
François Virion - 1, impasse de la chapelle - 91310 Montlhéry  
François Bordeaux - 01 69 07 66 72  
MJC d'Orsay - 01 69 28 83 16

**PALaiseau - ECOLE POLYTECHNIQUE (91EP)**  
Binet GO - Kes des élèves - 01 69 33 54 29  
91128 Palaiseau cedex

**PARIS (75Pa)**  
Tous les jours de 15h à 02h, café Le Lescot  
01 42 33 68 76 - 26 rue Pierre Lescot - 75001 Paris  
Alain Borrel - 01 43 58 53 94  
49 rue de la Chine - 75020 Paris  
Gérard Millier - 01 47 73 92 11  
126 rue Salvador Allende - 92000 Nanterre

Paris - Ass. Amic. des Japonais rés. en France (75JF)  
Tournoi le 3e dimanche de chaque mois à 12 h 45  
97 avenue des Champs Elysées - 75008 Paris  
Yoshiro Awano - 01 47 39 31 48

**PARIS-BAS (75PB)**  
Vendredi, 12h30/14h30, Médiathèque  
20 rue Thérèse, Paris 1er - Banque Paris-Bas  
A l'attention de Brigitte Garnerio - 01 42 98 65 05 (trav)  
Service 643 B - BP 141 - 75078 Paris Cedex 02

**PARIS - ENSAE (75AE)**  
Mercredi 17h/19h, cafétéria de l'ENSAE  
David Lubek - 01 40 95 97 68  
27 Ave de Suffren 75007 Paris

**PARIS-SAINT-CLOUD (75SC)**  
Rencontres : 3e Jeudi du mois  
Brigitte de Piédoue 01 45 25 11 02  
70 Ave Mozart - 75016 Paris

**PARIS-SNCF (75CF)**  
Club de Go "Les compagnons du rail"  
Gare St Lazare, 17 bis, rue d'Amsterdam  
R. de C., salle de gauche, Mercredi 12h/14h  
Pascal TARIEL - 01 46 63 78 54  
6 rue de la Citadelle - 94 230 CACHAN

**RAMBOUILLET (78Ra)**  
Dimanche 15h/19h-Le Celtique-place Félix Faure  
Hélène Coulombe - 01 34 84 86 92  
Brocéliande, chemin des déserts - 78610 Auffargis

**VAUREAL et CERGY PONTOISE (95Va)**  
Lundi et Vendredi 20h30 -Agora (centre socio culturel)  
36 mail Mendès-France - Vauréal  
école de Go : Mercredi de 15h à 17h à l'Agora  
Christophe Ribes - 01 34 30 97 76  
27 rue de l'Oiseau Migrateur - 95490 Vauréal

**VERSAILLES (78Ve)**  
Samedi après-midi Centre culturel Vauban  
76 rue Champ Lagarde - Versailles  
Michel Zaltzman - 01 39 51 72 66

**EPINAY SOUS SENART - JEUNES (91EJ)**  
Collège La Vallée  
Christian Momier - 01 69 43 74 14

**PARIS XI - JEUNES (75IJ)**  
Ecole primaire Dumas  
Julien Momier - 01 69 43 74 14  
10 villa Léonard de Vinci - 91860 Epinay sous Sénart

**PARIS XVII - JEUNES (75VJ)**  
Ecole primaire Fourcroy  
Julien Momier - 01 69 43 74 14  
10 villa Léonard de Vinci - 91860 Epinay sous Sénart

**SAINT- MAUR - JEUNES (94MJ)**  
Collège Camille Pissaro - 60 Av Didier  
Jérôme Bouvet - 01 48 46 09 88  
11 villa des Jardins - 93500 Pantin

**SAINT OUEN L'AUMONE - JEUNES (95OJ)**  
Mercredi 14h30/17h30 - Maison de quartier Chennevières  
Christophe Ribes - 01 34 30 97 76  
27 rue de l'Oiseau Migrateur - 95490 Vauréal

### Ligue de l'Ouest

Eric Brejon - 02 51 40 34 95 - (Fax 02 51 40 34 96)  
19 rue du Moulin de la Polka - 85430 Les Clouzeaux  
Bernard Renou - 02 40 94 16 09  
18 rue Louis Lumière - 44000 Nantes

**ANGERS (49An)**  
Mercredi 20h30 et Samedi 15H - Cercle de l'Ormeau  
3 rue de l'hommeau - Angers - (tel : 02 41 88 53 91)  
Gilbert Gevrin - 02 41 43 20 51  
90 bd Henri Dunant - 49100 Angers

**BREST (29Br)**  
Jeudi 21h/24h, Maison pour tous l'Harteloire,  
39 bd Clémenceau  
Frédéric Salaün - 02 98 41 56 07  
30 rue Dourgwen - 29200 Brest

**LAVAL (53La)**  
Jeudi à 20h30, à la Coulée Douce, rue du Vieux Saint-Louis  
Jacques Margas - 02 43 53 24 59  
8 rue Echelle Marteau - 53000 Laval

**MORBIHAN (56Mo)**  
Charles-Edouard Oger - 02 97 42 06 38  
Ker Bouliki - 4 impasse du Gouarh - 56450 Surzur

**NANTES (44Na)**  
Mardi dès 19H, café "le Cordial", 19 rue du Château,  
tel. 02 40 47 06 69  
Patrice Tellier - 02 40 89 61 69  
6 rue Frédureau - 44000 Nantes

**RENNES (35Re)**  
Mardi soir, café Saint Melaine, rue Saint Melaine  
Jean-Luc Dubois - 02 99 35 06 63  
16 allée du Cormier - 35136 St Jacques de la Lande

**LA ROCHE SUR YON (85Ro)**  
Mercredi, à partir de 20h30, ARIA, 1er étage  
29 rue Anatole France - La Roche sur Yon  
Eric Brejeon - 02 51 40 34 95 - (Fax 02 51 40 34 96)  
19 rue du Moulin de la Polka - 85430 Les Clouzeaux

**TOURS (37To)**  
Mardi 20h30, Mercredi 21h, Brasserie de la Victoire  
Place de la Victoire - Tours  
Bernard Lebert - 47 53 45 89 -  
5 rue Gauvain - 37300 Joué-les-Tours

ANGERS-JEUNES (49A)

Lycée Renoir  
Yvon Duval - 41 86 95 14 - 51 rue Michelet - 49000 Angers

Ligue de Normandie

Jean-Pierre Lalo - 02 35 03 85 38  
4 rue Dufay - 76100 Rouen  
Claude Moulin - 02 35

CAEN (14Ca)

Mardi 20h30/... 1993 Bar de l'Université  
rue de Geole - Caen  
Pierre Colson - 02 31 93 44 66 - 203 rue Basse - 14000 Caen

CHERBOURG (50Ch)

Mercredi 20h30, Bar-Club Le Solier, rue Grand Rue  
Yvan Rabouille - 02 33 20 36 72  
57, rue Dom Pedro - 50100 Cherbourg

EVREUX (27Ev)

Jean-Paul Jacquiel - 02 32 39 42 09 - "Le vert village"  
6, Allée des Fougères - 27180 St Sébastien de Morsent

LE HAVRE (76Ha)

Mercredi 17h/18h30 (pour les jeunes)  
Vendredi 20h30/24h, UCJG, 153 bd de Strasbourg  
François Bailly-Comte - 02 35 44 45 19  
25 rue Jean Devilder - 76310 Sainte Adresse

ROUEN (76Ro)

Jeudi 20h30/24h, le Samedi après-midi sur RdV  
Maison St Sever, rue Saint-Julien  
Jean-Pierre Lalo - 02 35 03 85 38  
4 rue Dufay - 76100 Rouen

Ligue du Sud-Ouest

Frédéric Renaud - 05 61 63 73 79  
11 rue Bertrand de Born - 31000 Toulouse  
Eric Ducasse - 05 56 44 44 19  
31 rue des Bahutiers - 33000 Bordeaux

BORDEAUX (33Bo)

Mardi 20h, Café Le Galopin, 14 rue Castelnau d'Auros ;  
Jeudi 20h30, ENITA, campus universitaire, Talence  
Samedi 14h/19h, Association franco-japonaise,  
84 cours A. Briand  
Patrik Chambreau - 05 56 84 75 98  
Résidence Stud'Club - 233 rue P. Proudhon  
33140 Villenave d'Ornon

CASTRES (81Ca)

Jean-Philippe Toutut - 05 63 35 95 54  
«Namasté», chemin de Saint Hippolyte - 81100 Castres

La MARTINIQUE (97Ma)

Vendredi 19h, Restaurant Le Madiana  
Catherine Issermann - 96 55 55 34 - Bel Fond - 97221 Carbet

MONT-de-MARSAN (40Mo)

Noël Saint-Paul - 05 58 75 12 57  
70 rue Sisley - 40280 Saint-Pierre-du-Mont

PAU (64Pa)

Jeudi, 20h45, MJC du Laü, salle de réunion  
81 Ave du Loup - Pau  
Michel Bonis - 05 59 32 91 61 - rue du Souvenir - 64140 Lons

TOULOUSE (31To)

Mardi 20h30 à 2h, snack-bar Le Passage, 24 allée Jean-Jaurès  
Vendredi à partir de 19h, «apéro-go» au même snack-bar «Le Passage»  
Bruno Lambertet - 05 61 06 13 59  
12 rue du Pont Vieux - 31700 Cornebarrieu

La GUYANNE

Bernard Hermier (19) (594) 38 24 45  
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Ligue du Centre

Gilles Raynal - 04 73 39 20 89  
Rue des Thuilets - 63730 Mirefleurs  
Christophe Poix - 04 73 69 59 48  
Le Bourg - 63800 St Georges sur Allier

CLERMONT-FERRAND 1 (63Cl)

Mardi et Jeudi 18h, brasserie Le Saint-Laurent, face à l'Hôtel  
Dieu, 40 rue Georges Clémenceau  
Gilles Raynal - 04 73 39 20 89  
Rue des Thuilets - 63730 Mirefleurs

CLERMONT-FERRAND 2 (63Ce)

GRoupe AUvergnat de Go  
Mercredi, 19h/... , Bar «Le Drop»,  
Bd Trudaine, Clermont-Ferrand  
André Chenard - 04 73 26 18 92  
53 rue de la Gantière - 63000 Clermont-Ferrand

LIMOGES (87Li)

Mercredi 20h, bar des Arènes  
25 rue des Arènes, Limoges  
Patrick Bellot - 05 55 10 86 15  
54 rue Montmailler - 87000 Limoges

NEVERS (58Ne)

Mercredi, 20h/23h, Centre socio-culturel de la Baratte,  
4 rue des Quatre Echevins  
Vendredi, 17h/20h, café «Le Gai Rivage», 6 quai des Mariniers  
Régino Gorospe - 03 86 57 70 75  
3 rue du Midi - 58000 Nevers

CLERMONT-FERRAND - JEUNES (63CJ)

Mercredi de 10h à 12h, centre de Loisirs de la Roche Noire  
Frédéric Durand - 04 73 39 26 32  
79 rue de la Gantière - 63000 Clermont-Ferrand

Ligue Méditerranée

Denis Labro - 04 67 66 20 94  
1 rue du Plan d'Agde - 34000 Montpellier

AVIGNON (84Av)

Mercredi 18h/... Maison Manon, Place des Carmes, Avignon  
Serge Noppen - 04 90 33 14 87  
5 rue de la Paix - 84370 Bedarrides

CANNES (06Ca)

Max Thibaut - 04 93 69 02 970  
21 rue des Calvy - 06110 Le Cannet

**MARSEILLE (13Ma)**

Mercredi et samedi, 17h30/..., Chocolat Théâtre,  
59 cours Julien ( 6e)  
Monique Berreby - 04 91 47 72 93  
27 rue Ferrari - 13005 Marseille

**MONTPELLIER (34Mo)**

Mardi, 21h/1h, 2 rue Saint-Firmin - Montpellier  
Bernard Gex - 04 67 60 66 89  
2 rue Saint-Firmin - 34000 Montpellier

**NICE (06Ni)**

Jeudi soir et Dimanche après-midi,  
Rossetti Grill, 1 rue Rossetti (Vieux-Nice)  
Matthieu Whyte - 04 93 08 02 46 ou 04 92 04 83 96  
144 Corniche Paul clermont - 06670 Colomars

**NIMES (30Ni)**

Lundi, 21h/... chez Jean-Yves Lods  
Jean-Yves Lods - 04 66 29 74 49  
25 rue de Genève - 30000 Nîmes

**PERPIGNAN (66Pe)**

Henry Cros - 04 68 63 97 43  
6 rue la Tour de Tautavel - 66000 Perpignan

**SOPHIA-ANTIPOLIS (06So)**

Mercredi, 18h30, MJC de Garbejaire  
(Valbonne - Sophia Antipolis)  
Franck Lebastard - 04 93 65 77 42  
Les Bastides du Castellet - 06650 Le Rouret

**NIMES - JEUNES (30Nj)**

Lycée Saint-Stanislas  
6 rue des Chassaintes - 30040 Nîmes Cedex  
Jean-Yves Lods - 04 66 29 74 49  
25 rue de Genève - 30000 Nîmes

**VALREAS - JEUNES (84Vj)**

Collège du pays de Valréas, ave. de Verdun  
Daniel Dumas - 04 90 35 53 58  
81 route de Nyons - 84600 Valréas

**Ligue de l'Est**

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8 rue Victor Hugo - 90300 Valdoie  
Philippe Nabonnand - 04 83 27 71 85  
6 rue de Beauveau - 54000 Nancy

**BELFORT-MONTBELIARD (90Be)**

Jeudi, 20h/23h, Bar le Sélect, rue Jules Vallès (Belfort)  
Claude Ducouloux - 03 84 46 38 77  
10 rue de l'école - 70400 Héricourt

**BESANCON (25Be)**

Mercredi et Jeudi, 20h30/24h, café "le Marulaz",  
place Marulaz.  
François Jacquin - 03 81 81 38 02  
7 rue Pasteur - 25000 Besançon

**METZ (57Me)**

Mercredi, 20h/..., Café «Le Leffe», 3 pont Saint Marcel, Metz  
Mathieu Renaud - 03 87 50 38 69  
8 rue Auricoste de Lazarque - 57000 Metz

**MULHOUSE (68Mu)**

Mardi, 19h30/23h, 10 rue Lamartine, Mulhouse  
Chang Rong Kun - 03 89 66 44 91  
19 rue de Zillisheim - 68100 Mulhouse

**NANCY (54Na)**

Mercredi 12h/14h et 21h/1h, Vendredi 21h/1h  
«Black bar Café noir», rue Guerrier de Dumast, Nancy  
Philippe Nabonnand - 03 83 27 71 85  
6 rue de Beauvau - 54000 Nancy

**RIBEAUVILLE (68Ri)**

Mercredi 17h/19h, MJC, rue des Juifs, Ribeauvillé  
Jean-Michel Meyer - 03 89 73 91 24  
2 rue de la Sapinière - 68150 Aubure

**STRASBOURG (67St)**

Mercredi 20h30 et Samedi 15h  
58 rue de Krutenau - Strasbourg  
Daniel Claude - 03 88 62 99 12  
33 rue du Barrage - 67300 Schiltigheim

**RIBEAUVILLE - JEUNES (68Rj)**

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2 rue de la Sapinière - 68150 Aubure

**STRASBOURG - JEUNES (67Sj)**

Collège Saint-Etienne, 2 rue de la Pierre Large  
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15 rue de l'Arc-en-ciel - 67000 Strasbourg

**Ligue du Nord**

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Eric Warkentin - 03 23 58 54 92  
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**AISNE (02Ai)**

Vendredi 19h30/..., centre social, 26 rue Gambetta, Gauchy  
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**AMIENS (80Am)**

Jeudi, 20h30/..., café Luculus, rue de la République, Amiens  
Toru IMAMURA - 03 22 45 32 55  
15, rue Monsoreau - Apt 26, 6e étage - 80000 Amiens

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Bat H - 7 allée François Couperin - Apt 2112 - 60000 Beauvais

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Tous les après-midi, café Le Troubadour - 38 quai du Rhin - Calais  
Frédéric Godin - 03 21 96 89 20  
58, rue de la Tannerie - 62100 Calais

**CHARLEVILLE-MEZIERES (08Ch)**

Mardi, 20h30/..., chez Denis Moutarde - 03 24 33 32 21  
13 rue Paul Laurent - 08000 Charleville-Mézières

**LILLE (59Li)**

Lundi 20h30/.. Résidence W. Churchill, rue Paul Ramadier, Lille  
Tous les jours de 14h à 21h, Café le Carnot, Bd Carnot, Lille  
Jurgen Warkentin - 03 20 26 00 31  
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Hardenbergstr. 36 (Nichtraucher!)  
K: Karsten Ziegler 030-7861764

**Berlin** (14195) Di 18-21  
(Einsteigerkurs während der Semester)  
Silberlaube, Habelschwerdter Allee 45  
Hochschulsport FU/TU/TFH, Anf.-Kurse  
K: Sascha Kompaß 030-4464326

**Berlin** (10115) Mi 17.30-21  
(Einsteigerkurs während der Semester)  
Humb.-Uni, Linienstr. 121, 2.Hof gz. oben  
K: Andre Bergholz 030-4731921

**Berlin** (10787) Do 20-24  
Dt.-Jap. Club, „Tai-Tung“,  
Budapester Str. 50 (Nähe Bhf. ZOO)  
(Nichtraucher! + auch Shogi+Bridge)  
K: Joachim Günther 030-3932742

**Berlin** (10437) Mo ab 19  
Restaurant „Anker“,  
Greifhagener Str. 17 / Ecke Stargarder Str.  
K: Andreas Urban 030-4711586

**Berlin** (13347) Mi+Fr+So 19-3  
Kulturgem. „Sarajevo“ e.V.,  
Lindower Str. 24 (im Hof) 030-4658933  
K: Siegfried Eckert 030-8542309

**Berlin** (10435) So ab 19  
Rest. „Pratergarten“, Kastanien-  
allee 7-9, Club Wiss. + Mori Ogai  
K: Andreas Urban 030-4711586

**Berlin** (10719) Di ab 19  
Korean. Rest. „Seurabul“, Knese-  
beckstr. 38, Ku-Damm-Passage  
-8815350, Wedding GO-Verein  
K: Günther Ciebow 030-3414943

**Berlin** (12167) Fr 19-2  
Cafe „C'est la vie“, Birkbuschstr. 11  
K: Edgar Raddatz 030-8341776

**Berlin** (12167) Di 19  
Koreanischer GO-Klub Han-Dok  
K: Young-Sik Choi 030-3255056

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**Bodensee-Kreis** (...) Mo ab 18.30  
(nur n. vorh. tel. Vereinbarung) Gast-  
haus „Alpenblick“, 88090 Immenstaad  
K: Dietrich Reimer 07532-9596 (pr.)  
oder (d) 07545-82603

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**Bielefeld** (33615) So ab 20  
„Tinneff“, Stapenhorststr.  
K: Jan Schröer 0521-65152

**Bietigheim-Bissingen** (...) Mi ab 19.30  
Billardcafe Schwabenpark, Ulrichstr.14 a  
K: Thomas Bilsing 07142-220020  
K: Jürgen Fetzer 07141-929986

**Bochum** (44894) Mo ab 20  
Kneipe im Bahnhof Langendreer  
Wallbaumweg 108, 0234-26614  
K: Jörg Digulla 0234-707790  
K: Monika Lache 02323-64954

**Böblingen** (71032) Di ab 18.30  
IBM Clubhaus, Schönaicher First 216  
K: Uli Staber 07157-65801  
K: Helmut Weis 07127-50699

**Bonn** (53113) Mi 19-21.30  
Cafe in der Mensa Nassestr. 11  
EG rechts (Anfängerabend, im Sem.)  
K: Martin Kutz 0228-658050

**Bonn** (53119) Di 19-1  
„Rosa Lu“, Vorgebirgsstr. 80  
K: Jens Vygen 0228-220627  
K: David Schoffel 0228-695366

**Botrop** (46240) Mo ab 20  
Gaststätte „Zur Krone“  
Lindhorststr. 138, 02041-57077  
K: Dr. Dietmar Tiesmeyer 02041-29790  
K: Norbert Wallhorn 02041-91379

**Braunschweig** (38100) Mo 19.30-23  
FBZ Freizeit- und Bildungszentrum  
im Bürgerpark, Nimesstr. 2  
K: Klaus Blumberg 0531-795256  
K: Jens Baaran 0531-7996310

**Braunschweig** (38106) Do 19.30-23  
Institut für Nachrichtentechnik,  
Hörsaal SN 22.2, Schleinitzstr. 22  
K: Joachim Beggerow 0531-42504  
K: Stefan Zidowitz 0531-890111

**Bremen** (28205) Di+Fr 19-24  
Bürgerhaus „Weserterrassen“  
Osterdeich 70 b, 0421-447238  
K: Uwe Weiß 0421-74154  
K: Jo Faßbender 0421-477434 (So 18-23)

**Burgdorf** (31303) priv. Di ab 20  
K: Dr. Ulrich Krauß 05136-4594

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**Castrop-Rauxel** (44577) Di 19-23  
Hildegardisheim, Clemensstr. 60  
(am Hauptbahnhof)  
K: Horst Timm 02305-24619  
K: H.-Werner Bressan 02305-85596

**Cottbus** (03046) Do 19-22  
Uni, Sporthalle 1, Karl-Jannack-Str.  
K: Hartmut Köstner 0355-424007

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**Darmstadt** (64285) Do ab 19  
Prinz-Emils-Schlößchen,  
Heidelberger Str. 56  
K: H. Wolf 06151-47271

**Darmstadt** (64289) Mo ab 19  
Mathe-Gebäude 2 d, Raum 244,  
Schloßgartenstr. 7  
K: Thomas Erker 06151-894909

**Detmold** (32756) Di ab 19  
Restaurant „Alte Mühle“, Allee 32  
K: Peter Hagemann 05231-31629  
K: Andreas Verhoeven 05231-71530

**Dillingen** (89407) Do ab 19  
„Cafe Gegenüber“, Martin-  
Luther-Platz 1 (neben der Ev. Kirche)  
K: Kurt Taglinger 09071-2469

**Dortmund** (44145) Do ab 19.30  
Gaststätte „Le Fou“, Nordmarkt 27  
K: Alfred Ebert 0231-126171

**Dortmund** (44227) Di ab 20  
Anfängerkurs (bis 22.30 h), Uni  
Dortm. Sportgeb. Otto-Hahn-Str. 3, R 135  
K: Alfred Ebert 0231-126171

**Dresden** (01069) Mi ab 17-  
USV TU Dresden e.V., Seminarräum  
Sportbaracke, Zellescher Weg 16  
K: Horst Hübner, Altzeller Str. 4 / 19,  
0351-4712051

**Dresden** (01189) Do 17.30  
„Coschützer Brauerei“ (Haupteingang)  
Achtbeeteweg,  
K: Siegmund Steffens 0351-2813694

**Düsseldorf** (40215) Mi ab 18  
Restaurant „Odysseus“, Pionierstr. 43  
K: Gottfried Schippers 0211-377797  
K: Michael Stein 0211-272980

**Duisburg** (47051) Mi ab 19  
K: Rainer Bellmann 02065-81490

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**Eisleben** (06295) priv.n.V.  
od. Hettstedt (06333) Ort: wechselnd  
K: Klaus König 03476-811444 ab 17 h

**Erding** (85435) Mo ab 19  
Privat: Posenerstr. 12  
K: Klaus Flügge 08122-902914

**Erfurt** (99084) priv.n.V.  
Augustinerstr. 8  
K: Markus Lang 0361-5612909

**Erfurt** (99092) priv.n.V.  
Bergstr. 36  
K: Karsten Herz 0361-2113948

**Erlangen** (91052) Mo ab 20  
Katholische Hochschul-Stud.-Gem.  
(KHG), Sieboldstr. 3, „Pacelli-Haus“  
K: Martin Bergmann 09131-58426  
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**Essen** (45127) Fr 18.45-22  
VHS Essen, Raum 1, Hollestr. 2  
K: Christoph v. Gersdorf 0201-276139  
K: Jochen Prange 02054-16478

**Essen** (45127) Fr ab 22  
Spielorte auf Anfrage Mi 20-1  
K: Michael Wagner 0201-8776-951  
Fax 0201-8776-952

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**Flensburg** (24943) Mi ab 18  
priv. Brahmstr. 2-4 bei Hartmann  
K: Ingo Schwarzmeier 0461-98378  
K: Volkmar Hartmann 0461-64869

**Frankfurt/M.** (60322) Di ab 20  
Bürgerhaus Westend, Ulmenstr. 20  
K: Alexander Urbainsky 069-616630  
K: Gerd Vorwallner 069-709232

**Frankfurt/M.** (60594) Do ab 20  
„Plateau“, Neuer Wall 15  
K: Alexander Urbainsky 069-616630  
K: Gerd Vorwallner 069-709232

**Freiburg** (79104) Mo ab 20  
„Vorderhaus“ Habsburgerstr.9  
Fr ab 19  
K: Markus Pache 0761-500226  
K: Richard Weigel 0761-272289

**Freudenstadt** (72250) priv.n.V.  
K: Peter Nübel 07444-6216  
K: Yvonne Warth 07442-50255

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**Gießen** (35390) Mi ab 20.14  
„Licher Bierstube“ (LBS),  
Grünberger Str. 7  
K: Uwe Lanz 0641-390787  
K: Frank Giebeler 0641-74721

**Göppingen** (73033) Di ab 18  
Haus der Jugend, Dürerstr.  
K: Franz Giljum 07161-29689  
K: Joachim Pimiskern 07161-815530

**Göttingen** (37073) Mo ab 20  
Galerie Apex, Burgstr. 46  
K: Gerhard Mex 0551-705056

**Gütersloh** (33330) Mo ab 19  
Bürgerzentrum Alte Weberei,  
Bogenstr.1-8  
K: Michael Kretschmann 05241-59314  
K: Stephan Hanhörster 05241-47291

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**Halle (Saale)** (06112) Mo ab 19.30  
Spielehaus b. Franckeplatz / Francke-  
sche Stiftungen (2 min), Straba 1,3,6  
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**Hamburg** (20099) Mo ab 19.30  
CVJM-Haus, An der Alster 40,  
040-2801304  
K: Stefan Budig 040-2803057  
K: Michael Katscher 040-272254

**Hamburg** (22765) tgl. ab 19  
Schachcafe, Holländische Reihe 30,  
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K: Ralf Funke 040-2794040  
K: Tobias Berben 040-3806632

**Hamburg** (22145) Di 18-22  
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nils.nohr@metronet.de  
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**Hamburg** (21073) Mi 19-22  
(Harburg) Rieckhof-Kommunikations-  
zentrum, Rieckhoffstr. 12, 040-7656463  
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**Hannover** (30159) Mo ab 19  
Bundesbahndirektion, Joachimstr. 8  
K: Winfried Dörholt 0511-603970  
K: Günter Klemm 0511-6479101

**Hannover** (30171) Do ab 19.30  
„Kalabusch“, Sallstr. 49  
K: Christoph Gerlach 0511-7000552

**Hannover** (30167) Di 20-22  
Uni, Schneiderberg 50, Raum 407,  
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K: Christoph Gerlach 0511-7000552

**Hasbergen** (49205) Mo ab 20  
priv.: Zum Ortenbrink 9  
K: Helmut Gorenflo 05405-1591

**Heidelberg** (69115) Mi ab 20  
„Heudsemer Löb“, Tiergartenstr. 126  
K: Jürgen Bierbrauer 06203-2661

**Herford** (32049) Fr ab 19  
priv. Mozartstr. 81 a  
K: Hans Abraham 05221-84183

**Herne** (44623) Do ab 19.30  
Gaststätte „Ratsstuben“,  
Shamrockstr. 44, 02323-50326  
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K: Wolfgang Niggemann 02323-43615

**Hildesheim** (31141) Mi 18-21  
Uni, Informatikgebäude, Raum A 9,  
Samelsonplatz 1  
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**Ilmenau** (98693) Do ab 20  
Bierstube der Mensa der THI  
K: Volkmar Liebscher 03677-82736



**Ingolstadt** (85049) Mi ab 18  
in der „Fronte“ 79  
K: Stephan Englhart 0841-74822

**Jena** (07745) Mo ab 19  
„bei Ali“, Krautgasse 22  
K: Volkmar Liebscher 03641-441419

**Kaiserslautern** (67663) Mo ab 19  
Universität, Bau 48, Raum 582,  
K: Dr. Thomas Pfaff 0631-13698

**Kaiserslautern** (67655) Do ab 20  
„Malzwerk“, Rummelstr. 7, 0631-61188  
K: Dr. Thomas Pfaff 0631-13698  
K: Matthias Lang 0631-64574

**Karlsruhe** (76131) Di ab 20  
Dorfschänke, Am Künstlerhaus  
K: Laurent Heiser 0721-699680  
K: Rainer Schnöring 07251-14996  
K: Sergio Dilger 0721-616225

**Kassel** (34131) Kurse n.bes.V.  
GO-Schule Kassel Hannes Schrebe  
(z.Zt. nur regional aktiv, kein Spielabend)  
Kuhbergstr. 28 (KS-Wilhelmshöhe)  
K: Hannes Schrebe 0561-33248

**Kiel** (24118) Mo ab 19  
Jugendbücherei / Kindergarten  
Zastrowstr. 19  
K: Werner Ente 0431-677304

**Koblenz** (56068) Do ab 19  
Gasthaus „Rot-Weiß-Stuben“  
K: Achim Weikert 0261-14538

**Köln** (50677) Di+Fr 18-1  
„BiPi's Bistro“, Rolandstr. 61,  
0221-9379-2021  
K: Klaus Fittges 0221-3602741  
K: Pierre-Alain Chamot 02204-65823

**Königs-Wusterhausen** (15711) priv.n.V.  
K: Klaus Janich 033762-70142

**Konstanz** (78465) Mi+Do ab 19  
Universität, Raum G 302  
K: Stephan Kolassa 07533-2917  
K: Michael Beck 0041-71-6951132

**Konstanz** (78462) tgl. ....1  
„Blue Note“ Hofhalde 11  
K: Markus Gräfe 07533-7105

**Leipzig** (04103) Mi ab 17  
SV Glückauf Leipzig 74 e.V., Abt. GO  
Philipp-Rosenthalstr. 46/48a, Vet. Club  
K: Rüdiger Stoll 0341-2330001  
K: René Hilpert 0341-2362443 (d)

**Lippstadt** (59555) priv.n.V.  
K: Andreas Fecke 02948-322

**Ludwigsburg** (71634) Mo ab 18  
Gaststätte „Kronenstuben“, Kronenstr.  
K: Roland Baumann 07141-75489  
K: Walter Supp 07145-4110

**Lübeck** (23552) Mo ab 19  
Cafe „Affenbrot“ i.Werkhof,  
Kanalstr.70  
K: Rüdiger Klehn 0451-72626

**Magdeburg** (39120) Di ab 19  
Otto-v.-Guericke-Universität,  
Gebäude N, Zi. 301 (am Uni-Platz)  
K: Raik Böckelmann 0391-617403

**Mainz** (55116) Mi ab 19.30  
Schachcafe, Bihildisstr. 2  
(Nähe Münsterplatz) 06131-235660  
K: Norbert Garbow 06131-393627  
K: Frank Erz 06131-330006

**Mannheim** (68159) Di ab 20  
Gaststätte „Puppille“, B 1,7  
K: Georg Feinermann 06206-56272  
K: Janosch Pitzer 0621-413516

**Marburg** (35037) Mo ab 20  
„Krokodil“, Weidenhäuser Str.  
und Fr ab 17  
Seminar-R. d. Uni-Stadions, Jahnstr. 12  
K: Dirk Krutinat 06421-33986  
K: Marko Müller 06421-12357

**Mechernich-Satzvey** (53894) priv.n.V.  
Finkenweg 9  
K: Marcus Hillerich 02256-7436

**Mittweida** (09648) Mi ab 18  
Bierstube in der Mensa d. Hochsch.,  
Am Schwanenteich,  
K: H.-D. Pester 03727-603099

**Mönchengladbach** (41061) Mo18-23  
Restaurant „Seoul“, Luisenstr. 193  
K: B.-J. Choi 02161-391902

**München** (80339) Mi ab 19.30  
Kulturladen Westend, Ligsalzstr. 20,  
089-501173  
K: Christian Haberbosch 089-268160  
K: Peter Danzeglocke 089-3193377

**Münster** (48155) Mi ab 20  
„Blechtrommel“, Hansaring 0251-65119

**Neuenkirchen/Soltau** (29643) Mi 18-21  
„Schroersho“  
K: Dr. Reinhard Spode 05195-1259

**Nieheim** (33039) priv.n.V.  
Himmighausen 37 a (auch SHOGI !!!)  
K: Reinhold Sölter 05238-484

**Nördlingen** (86720) Mo ab 19  
Cafe Grimm, Weinmarkt 3  
K: Bernhard Schulze 09081-23646

**Nordhausen** (99734) Mo ab 17  
„Haus der Kinder“, Hohnsteiner Str. 17  
K: Matthias Reimann 036332-70246  
Am Markt 20, 99755 Ellrich  
K: Dieter Wenske 03631-7952 (p)  
Bonhoefferstr. 13, 99734 Nordhausen  
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**Nürnberg** (90403) Di ab 19  
Cafe Bistretto, Innere Laufer Gasse 35  
K: Horst Karl-Klausmann 0911-502800

**Nürtingen** (72622) So 14-18  
Jugendhaus am Bahnhof  
K: Bernd Kolbinger 0711-620041  
K: Achim Salamon 07022-64351

**Oberhausen** (46045) priv.n.V.  
K: Bernd Ellenbrock 0208-646362

**Oldenburg** (26129) Di ab 19  
Cafe“ Merlin“, Ammerländer Heerstr. 100  
K: Manfred Diers 0441-75620  
K: Reinhard Friedek 0441-506146

**Osnabrück** (49078) Do ab 19.30  
Lagerhalle am Heger Tor  
K: Michael Stolte 0541-432583  
K: Oliver Horstkotte 0541-86538

**Paderborn** (33098) Mo+Do 20  
„Zum Südwall“, Husener Str. 32  
K: Bernhard Kraft 05251-22978  
K: Gabriel Georgescu 05251-541948

**Paderborn** (330..) Mi ab 19  
Uni/GHK Paderborn, Raum H 3.223  
K: Andreas Fecke 02948-322  
K: Dirk Freykamp 05251-76540

**Pforzheim** (75180) Do 20.15  
Kulturhaus Osterfeld, Osterfeldstr.  
K: Marko Leipert 07141-902366

**Potsdam** (14471) Mo ab 19  
Carl-v.-Ossietzky-Str. 6, priv. Treff bei:  
K: Oliver Lenz 0331-902395

**Rathenow** (14712) Mi 18-23  
Chinarest. „Goldener Drachen“  
Am Körgraben 11  
K: Peter Schmuck 03385-514846

<b>Ratingen</b> (40878) Do ab 19 Rest. „Kostbar“, Lintorfer Str. 14 K: Wolfgang Klengel 02102-844711 K: Harald Schwarz 02102-83105	<b>Stuttgart</b> (70174) Do ab 19 Kulturzentrum Mitte, Hohestr. 9 K: Bernd Kolbinger 0711-620041
<b>Regensburg</b> (93047) Mo ab 20 „Kowalski“, Lederer Gasse 9 K: Hasan Cetinkaya 0941-567837	<b>Trier</b> (54292) Do ab 20 Uni-Ring 8, Geb. 1, Anbau K: Horst Zein 0651-52711
<b>Rheda-Wiedenbrück</b> (33378) priv., nur n.Rückspr.: Ostenbergstr. 23 Do 19.30 K: Dr. Klaus Giesen 05242-34786	<b>Tübingen</b> (72070) Mi ab 19 i.Sem.: Erasmus-Haus, Belthestr.42 K: Dr. Friedrich Lenz 07071-64621 K: Rüdiger Basche 07071-68049
<b>Rostock</b> (18057) Mi ab 19 „Warmbad“ Niklotstr. 2 K: Kai Miller 0381-8003587	<b>Ulm</b> (89073) Do ab 20 Cafe „Requisite“ im Ulmer Theater K: Gerhard Schmid 0731-54739 K: Matthias Laage 0731-57084
<b>Saalfeld</b> (07318) priv.n.V. Helmholtzstr. 8 K: Ralf-Peter Haun 03671-516568	<b>Werne</b> (59368) Di ab 19 priv. Spielkreis Lünener Str. 137 bei K: Detlef Steuer 02389-2749
<b>Saarbrücken</b> (66111) Do ab 19 Schachvereinigung 1970 Saarbrücken, Paul-Marien-Str. 14, 0681-68360 K: Norbert Möhring 06897-71458 K: Gregor Mertz 0681-5847742	<b>Wesel</b> (46485) priv.n.V. Julius-Leber-Str. 58 K: Michael Froherz 0281-65103 K: Friedrich Schultze 0281-62126
<b>Schwedt</b> (16303) priv.n.V. K: Frank Nitzschke 03332-412330	<b>Wilhelmshaven</b> (26382) Mi ab 19.30 Café „Tarisch“, Börsenstr. 25 K: Dr. Klaus Heine 04421-61665 Kleiststr. 67 in Whv
<b>Schweinfurt</b> (97421) n.V. K: Dr. Leo Dreblow 09721-22921 K: Horst Oberhoff 09721-25734	<b>Würzburg</b> (97070) Mi ab 19.30 Bistro „Krokodil“, Textorstr. K: Horst Oberhoff 09721-25734
<b>Schwerin</b> (19055) Mo 20-23 priv. Kirchenstr. 12 K: Hubert Marischen 0385-564210 K: Heinz Postulka 0385-796887	<b>Wuppertal</b> (42119) Mo ab 17.30 GHS, Asta-Kneipe, Gauss-Str. 20 K: Eberhard Maurer 0202-720791 K: Hildeg. Puttk.-Klinger 02053-40215
<b>Selb</b> (95100) Sa ab 15 Evangelisches Jugendheim K: Joachim Hofer 09287-60119	<b>Zossen</b> (15806) Mi 19-22 K: Christa Thymian 03377-301728
<b>Siegen</b> (57072) Mi ab 19 Haus der ESG, Burgstr. 18 K: Hartmut Koch 0271-51298 K: Dr. Karl H. Sarges 02734-2950	<b>Zwickau</b> (.....) n.V. K: Uwe Stein 0375-522571
<b>Stassfurt</b> (39418) n.V. K: Ulf Melcher, Dr.-Allende-Str. 4, 03925-621138 (d), -624867 (p)	
<b>Strausberg</b> (15344) Fr ab 18 „Gasthaus Schuster“ Bahnhofstr. 16 S-Bhf Strausberger Vorstadt K: Lars-Olaf Gatz 033439-81338	
<b>Stuttgart</b> (70174) Mi ab 18 Gaststätte „Schwarzwaldheim“, Fritz-Elsas-Str. 20 K: Wer ???	

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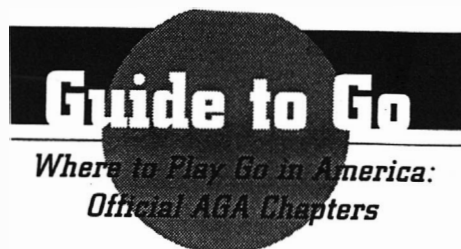
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