



I.C.S.C. BOARD REPORT - 2008

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FIDE Chess Olympiads

It was agreed to enter two ICSC teams for the 38th FIDE Chess Olympiads in Dresden, Germany, from November 12nd – 25th 2008. And the following players represented the I.C.S.C. teams:-

ICSC men's team, captained by Mr. Goran Cehic (Croatia)

1. Vladimir Klasan,	Elo 2326 Serbia
2. IM Veselin Georgiev,	Elo 2372 Bulgaria
3. Pavel Parfenov,	Elo 2252 Russia
4. IM Sergey Salov,	Elo 2269 Germany
5. FM Sirojiddin Zaynidinov,	Elo 2035 Uzbekistan

ICSC women's team, captained by Mrs. Olga Nazarova (Italy)

1. WIM Tetiana Baklanova,	Elo 2231 Ukraine
2. WFM Anna Ryvova,	Elo 2009 Czech Republic
3. WIM Olga Gerasimova,	Elo 2316 Russia
4. WCM Annegret Mucha,	Elo 1965 Germany
5. Svitlana Gonchar,	Elo 1844 Ukraine

At the end of this historic event, I.C.S.C. Men's Team was placed 79th out of the participating 154 countries whilst the I.C.S.C. Women's Team secured 71st place out of 112 countries, a fantastic achievement. The above players are to be congratulated for their excellent performances. For full team results, photos, news, games (via Chessbase), visit the ICSC Website <http://web.tiscalinet.it/dresden08/pageDresden.html> and [the bulletin](#).

The ICSC President, Mr. Michele Visco, visited Dresden for a short excursion and enjoyed the pleasure of both meeting and watching the I.C.S.C. teams in action. The ICSC President attended the FIDE meeting for Disabled Chess steered by the Chairman Mr. Gerry Walsh of England.

I.C.S.C. Bulletins

The I.C.S.C. Bulletins were issued three times in the year (July, October and December). Mr. Phillip Gardner was the Editor and was ably supported by Mr. Michael Freund. All country members, honorary members and subscribers and F.I.D.E. received their copies. The total number of copies circulated was 60.

I.C.S.C. Events

World Individual Deaf Chess Championships in St.Gallen, Switzerland from July 19th – August 1st 2008 turned out to be a great success. There was plenty of exciting chess, and the winner eventually went to the reigning World Champion, Veselin Georgiev, of Bulgaria for the third consecutive time. The Ladies title went to Tetiana Baklanova of Ukraine for the second time. The Juniors boys title went to Sirojiddin Zaynidinov of Uzbekistan for the two time consecutive time. The Juniors girls title went to Annegret Mucha of Germany. The Blind-deaf title went to Aleksandr Slepsov of Azerbaijan. Mr. Albert Baumberger was the FIDE Arbiter International and did an excellent job.

The 29TH ICSC Congress ran very smoothly, and a new power-point for video. The I.C.S.C. Honorary Presidents, Gabor Vida (Hungary) and Gerrit Westerveld (Netherlands), Honorary Member, Rudi van Perlstein (Netherlands) were present and warmly welcomed. Moldova, India, Serbia were welcomed to the ICSC. Several countries had the opportunity of workshop meetings with the ICSC prior to the Congress, and both parties benefited greatly from the improved communication channels. The new ICSC flag was presented.

Mr. Hans Johannesen (Netherlands) was awarded the ICSC Gold Medal for attending 10 ICSC Congresses, and organising the WC 1996 Individuals at Rotterdam. The ICSC Silver Medal of Service went to Mr.Jaroslav Schmid (Czech Republic) whilst the ICSC Bronze Medal of Service went to Mr.Jaroslav Korenkiewicz (Sweden), Mr.Darko Svec (Croatia) and Mr. Rosino Vizzaccaro (Italy).

Correspondence

It was reported that Russia had been involved into false FIDE ELO ratings on their domestic chess tournaments. Mr. Lir Muratov has confessed that there are tournaments that have been fixed. Mr. Alexander Beliakov, Arbiter FIDE confirmed false tournaments. ICSC is continuing to investigate.

Obituaries

It is with regret that the following have departed to the skies:

SWEDEN: Mr. Berntsson Ingvald, died 29 August 2007, aged 64 years. He represented the Sweden at the World Individuals 1980 Amsterdam and he represented the team Sweden at the World teams four times: 1978 Oberstdorf, 1982 Palma de Mallorca, 1986 Albufeira, 1990 Veszprem.
ICSC Bronze Medal, President of Sveriges Dövas Schackförbund 1986-2000.

RUSSIA: Mr.Valery Grechihin died 13 May 2008, aged 71 years. First GM FIDE Deaf with 2578 Elo, Bronze WC Individual of Rotterdam 2006 and Gold team Russia WT1998 of Lucerne. Olympiad Fide 2002 Bled