

# INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF SILENT CHESS I.C.S.C. BOARD REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2006

## I.C.S.C. Board

As at 01.01.2006 the I.C.S.C. Board consisted of the following members:

President	:	Mr. M. Visco	(Italy)
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Board Member	:	Mr. M. Lusic	(Croatia)
Treasurer	:	Mr. M. Freund	(England)

## FIDE Chess Olympiads

It was agreed that the ICSC would be entering two teams for the 37<sup>th</sup> FIDE Chess Olympiads in Turin, Italy, from May 20<sup>th</sup> – June 4<sup>th</sup> 2006. And the following players represented the I.C.S.C. teams:-

ICSC women's team, captained by Mr. Pavel Parfenov of Russia,

1. WFM Anna Ryvova                      Elo 2057              Czech Republic
2. Olga Nazarova                        Elo 2037              Italy
3. Liudmila Rossinskaya                Elo 1931              Russia
4. Svitlana Gonchar                      Elo                      Ukraine

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

1. IM Duilio Collutiis                    Elo 2404              Italy
2. IM Veselin Georgiev                  Elo 2310              Bulgaria
3. IM Sergey Salov                        Elo 2293              Germany
4. Amangeljdy Nauryzgaliev            Elo 2226              Kazakhstan
5. Volodymyr Kovalenko                Elo 2188              Ukraine
6. Rainer Hoffmann                      Elo 2136              Germany

At the end of this historic event, I.C.S.C. Men's Team was placed 76th out of the participating 150 countries whilst the I.C.S.C. Women's Team secured 87th place out of 108 countries, a fantastic achievement. The above players are to be congratulated for their excellent performances. For their efforts, the ICSC men's captured the third place position in the [FIDE category prizes](#) "D" band. For full team results, games (via Chessbase), visit the ICSC Website [http://web.tiscalinet.it/icsc\\_w/Torino2006/pageTorino.html](http://web.tiscalinet.it/icsc_w/Torino2006/pageTorino.html) and [the bulletin](#).

The ICSC Executive members, President Mr. Michele Visco, Secretary-General Mr. P. K. Gardner and the Treasurer Mr. Michael Freund, visited Turin for a short excursion and enjoyed the pleasure of both meeting the I.C.S.C. teams and watching them 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 (June, September 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 Teams Deaf Chess Championships in Nyiregyhàza, Hungary from September 8<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> 2006 turned out to be a great success, and attracted 12 teams. After a close battle, Russia once again emerged triumphant in the Men's event whilst Ukraine were winners of the Women's event which consisted of 6 teams. The F.I.D.E. chief arbiter was Al Mr. Ernő Kovács who must be thanked for his smooth running. The Hungarian (MHS) organising committee must also be credited for their superb controlling of the event.

## Obituaries

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

**USA:** Mr. Russell Chauvenet (ICSC GM), died 24<sup>th</sup> June 2003, aged 82 years. He represented the USA at the World Individuals four times: 1980 Amsterdam, 1984 Washington (won the Silver medal), 1988 Stockholm (again, won the Silver medal) and 1992 Edinburgh.

**Scotland:** Mr. William Greig, died 25<sup>th</sup> May 2006, aged 74. He participated in the 1990 World Teams (Veszprem), 1994 World Team (Brno), 1998 World Team (Lucerne) and 1991 Europa Cup Club Team Championships (Hamburg) with Glasgow.

**Netherlands:** Mr. Berend Klaassen died October 2006, aged 82 years. He represented the Netherlands in the following World Team Championships on five occasions: 1962 Varna (Bulgaria); 1970 Turku (Finland); 1974 Fredericia (Denmark); 1978 Oberstdorf (Germany); 1982 Palma de Mallorca (Spain).