

XXXI MEETING OF THE PERMANENT COMMISSION OF THE FIDE
FOR CHESS COMPOSITIONS

Budapest, Hungary 24.8.-31.8.1988

M I N U T E S

Official Participants:

Dr Klaus WENDA	Austria	President
Drs Cor GOLDSCHMEDING	Netherlands	1 st Vice-President
Attila BENEDEK	Hungary	3 rd Vice-President
Jan HANNELIUS	Finland	Honorary President
Helmut ZAJIC	Austria	Secretary
Antonio ARGUELLES	Spain	Delegate
Uri AVNER	Israel	Delegate
Dr Hemmo AXT	FRG	Delegate
Prof Caetano BELLIBONI	Brazil	Delegate
Marco BONAVOGLIA	Italy	Delegate
Sonomun CHIMEDTZEREN	Mongolia	Delegate
Dr Newman GUTTMAN	USA	Delegate
Hannu HARKOLA	Finland	Delegate
Laurent JOUDON	France	Delegate
Marian KOVACEVIC	Yugoslavia	Delegate
Jan MORTENSEN	Denmark	Delegate
Dr Gia NADAREISHVILI	USSR	Deputy for V.CHEPIZHNY
Petko A. PETKOV	Bulgaria	Delegate
Dr Jan RUSINEK	Poland	Delegate
Colin RUSS	Great Britain	Delegate
Ignnaas VANDEMEULEBROUCKE	Belgium	Delegate
Odette VOLLENWEIDER	Switzerland	Delegate
Kjell WIDLERT	Sweden	Delegate
Prof Byron ZAPPAS	Greece	Delegate
Giorgio MIRRI	Italy	Honorary Member
Dr Laszlo LINDNER	Hungary	Expert for Computer Chess

22 of the 25 countries were represented.

The following persons were excused:

Viktor CHEPIZHNY	USSR	2 nd Vice-President
DI Nenad PETROVIC	Yugoslavia	Honorary President
Virgil NESTORESCU	Rumania	Delegate
Barry P. BARNES	Great Britain	Honorary Member
Pieter ten CATE	Netherlands	Honorary Member
I. LJAPUNOV	USSR	Honorary Member

The GDR and Czechoslovakia have no official delegate nominated. Dr Bedrich FORMANEK attended the sessions as observer for Czechoslovakia (without voting right).

Active visitors fulfilling tasks as members of subcommittees, tourney director, assistant director, etc, were:

Ing N. Dimitrov (Bulgaria), Ing J. Brada, V. Kotesovec (Czechoslovakia), G. Büsing, B. Ellinghoven (FRG), N. Macleod (Great Britain), L. Anyos, Z. Laborczi (Hungary), R. Baier (Switzerland), Ing Z. Janevski (Yugoslavia).

A C E N D A

§ 1 Opening address, act of remembrance for deceased problemists

After some initial words by the representatives of the Hungarian Chess Federation, who welcomed all participants, President Dr Wenda expressed his thanks for the invitation and declared the meeting open.

He regretted the death of several well known and meritorious problemists since the XXX.meeting. A minute of mourning and remembrance was held for:

Anthony Dickins, Andre Fossum, Dr Meindert Niemeijer, Avenir Popandopulo.

§ 2 Verification of attendance and voting rights

21 member countries were represented (see also § 4.1.) and 3 were absent (Czechoslovakia, GDR and Rumania).

The meeting was declared legal. P.A. Petkov the new delegate of Bulgaria replacing Ing Rangelov, who had retired after more than 20 years' activity, was welcomed.

§ 3 Approval of the Graz minutes 1987

Annex to these minutes:

Ing Jaroslav BRADA was an observer but not an official delegate of Czechoslovakia (see letter of 8.2.1988). This had no decisive influence on the voting in Graz.

§ 4 Application of new members

- 4.1. On the first day the application of Mongolia as the 25th PCCC member was accepted by unanimous decision, and President Dr Wenda welcomed Sonomun CHIMEDTZEREN as delegate of this country. Accordingly 22 members were present.

4.2. Establishing of the Israel Chess Composition Association

U. Avner reported the reasons for establishing this Association (see letter of 8.11.1987). In accordance with § I.1. of the PCCC Statutes the commission raised no objections, because it seemed obvious that the Israeli Chess Federation had accepted the new Association, which can be compared with similar Problem Associations in other countries (FRG, Great Britain, Netherlands).

§ 5 Checking of the standing sub-committees:

1. Codex:

Prof C Belliboni

Dr B. Formanek

Drs C Goldschmeding Speaker

J. Mortensen

K. Widlert

2. Competitions:

a) WCSC

L. Anyos new member

U. Avner

Dr H Axt Speaker

Drs C. Goldschmeding

K. Widlert

b) WCCT

U. Avner

B. Ellinghoven Speaker

Ing. Z. Janevski new member

Dr J. Rusinek

Prof B. Zappas

c) Olympic composing tourneys

Prof C. Belliboni new member

M. Kovacevic new member

Prof B. Zappas Speaker

d) Album and publications

U. Avner

Dr H. Axt

A. Benedek

Ing J. Brada

G. Büsing

Dr N. Guttman

M. Kovacevic

K. Widlert

Speaker

3. Qualifications:

M. Bonavoglia

H. Harkola

Dr J. Rusinek

I. Vandemeulebroucke

O. Vollenweider

Speaker

4. Computer matters:

Dr H. Axt

R. Baier

L. Joudon

Dr L. Lindner

Speaker

N. Macleod

V. Kotesovec

new member

(With regard to the new Subcommittee for Studies, see under § 16).

§ 6 Notification of proposals

The following proposals were notified:

1. Proposal by Poland, to organize every year an individual world championship in chess composition.
2. Proposal by Netherlands, to speed up the modifications of the Album-selection procedure.

§ 7 Codex:

Drs C. Goldschmeding gave a short report. The subcommittee could not settle all the critical points but it would be ready to continue the matter by correspondence during the next months. A written proposal will be sent to the President before the next meeting.

§ 8 Competitions

8.1. The 12th World Chess Solving Championship (WCSC)

12 teams (42 solvers) took part. L. Anyos acted as tournament director and chief judge, assisted by G. Rüsing, Ing N. Dimitrov, Z. Laborczi.

Results:

Teams:	1. FRG (World Champion)	161 points
	2. Finland	151 points
	3. Great Britain	151 points
	4. Israel	144 points
	5. Yugoslavia	138 points
	6. Hungary	138 points
	7. Netherlands	137 points
	8. Czechoslovakia	136 points
	9. France	125 points
	10. Poland	105 points
	11. Belgium	78 points
	12. Austria	77 points

Individuals:	1. Michael Pfannkuche, FRG (World Champion)
	2. Pauli Perkonoja, Finland
	3. Roland Baier, Switzerland

Dr Axt proposed to extend point 9.5. of the rules for the WCSC by adding the sentence: "In a round with an insoluble problem 0 minutes are awarded for all solvers".

This was accepted by unanimous decision.

Finally the WCSC subcommittee made the following recommendations:

- Do not use keys without any relation to the character of a chess problem.
- Use only unpublished problems.
- Instruct judges to act exactly according to the rules.

8.2. Official results of the 3rd WCCT

The President announced officially the first three places and presented prizes to the delegates of the respective countries.

1st Prize USSR

2nd Prize Poland

3rd Prize Yugoslavia

The complete award will appear when an open question in the moreover section has been solved. Judge R. Kofman will send his final award by the end of September to B. Ellinghoven. If he should be unable to do it, Dr Wenda was empowered by a commission decision to finish the work instead of Mr Kofman.

8.3. 4th WCCT, selection of the themes, announcement.

Dr J. Rusinek submitted the proposal to nominate the Polish Chess Federation as organizer. E. Iwanow would be the responsible contact person in Poland.

The selected judges and themes were announced by B. Ellinghoven, who promised to give technical support by printing the announcement, the entries and the results, if the commission agrees.

Among the judges three were selected who had not the title International Judge of the FIDE. They were requested to apply for this title in Bournemouth. B. Ellinghoven promised that the written announcement would follow by the end of October 1988. The closing date for the entries will be February 15th 1990. The English text will be official. The subcommittee for computer matters was requested to submit addresses of persons ready and able to test the soundness of the problems. Dr Rusinek indicated the possibility of checking direct mate problems from 2 to 6 moves in Poland.

Finally Dr Wenda proposed that a single vote be taken to cover all the 5 points under consideration: themes, judges, organizer, technical assistant, computer checking.

The proposals were accepted by unanimous decision of the members present (Dr G. Nadareishvili (USSR), S. Chimedtzeren (Mongolia), and A. Arguelles (Spain) were absent). Dr Wenda expressed his thanks for the excellent work of the WCCT subcommittee.

8.4. FIDE-Album tourney 1980-82, final report by the President

The President said official words of thanks in the name of the PCCC to the responsible persons, especially to Mr Petrovic and Mr Condic for the enormous amount of work. The new Album fulfils all requirements and will be an example for future issues (solutions opposite to the problems, theme register). K. Widlert as speaker of the subcommittee added that this Album would be much better than all the former Albums. He mentioned the problem of late judgements and expressed his hope for a shorter printing process next time. For the next Album he will distribute detailed instructions and uniform diagram sheets to the section directors.

8.5. FIDE-Album tourney 1983-85, preliminary report by the section directors

The Album was distributed by the publisher Mr Condic during the meeting (more than 100 free copies for delegates, judges and directors).

The approximate number of the entries was announced for all sections:

2#	approx.	2060
3#	"-	1120
n#	"-	600
e	"-	900
s#	"-	470
h#	"-	1470
fairies-	"-	790
retros	"-	110
Total	"-	7520

On the average there is a good progress in all sections. But a delay must be expected in the 2# section, as the problems, sent by post to the judge Mr Melnichenko, are lost on the way from the Netherlands to the USSR. Section director C. Goldschmeding will send new copies to the judge.

8.6. Album register, printing of future albums

Firstly the Dutch proposal (see § 6) was discussed thoroughly. Many advantages and disadvantages were found in the discussion. The matter seemed to be not fully developed for a decision so it was postponed to the Bournemouth meeting 1989. The subcommittee was requested to make proposals there. In Bournemouth also the judges and directors for the Album 1986-88 should be selected. K. Widlert informed the commission that DI. N. Petrovic will not be once more at the commission's disposal as editor. M. Kovacevic expressed the intention to look for a new responsible person in Yugoslavia and promised to prepare this point for the next meeting. The questions as to treat corrections and new versions of problems and problems with unclear sources was not discussed thoroughly.

Finally J. Hannelius recommended seeking a balanced selection between the different Album sections in future. The subcommittee should analyse the Albums 1980-82 and 1983-85 in this direction. The matter was postponed to next year.

8.7. Olympic composing tourneys

Prof B. Zappas will give a report before the next meeting. An open Olympic composing tourney was announced by M. Kovacevic. The sections are twomovers, three movers, (judge M. Velimirovic), helpmates (judge F. Abdurahmanovic), selfmates (judge Z. Janevski). Entries will be accepted till October 1st 1989 and the awards will appear at the beginning of 1990.

§ 9 Publications

The commission accepted the report by the subcommittee and the centre for errata lists, informing the members that 15 books have been tested.

§ 10 Qualifications

10.1. Confirmation of the titles granted in Graz 1987

- a) International Judge of the FIDE for Chess Compositions:
 - David Brown (USA) for helpmates and fairies
 - Luciano Citeroni (Great Britain) for twomovers
 - Toma Garai (USA) for helpmates
 - Andrej Lobusov (USSR) for twomovers, threemovers and moremovers
 - Alexander Maximovski (USSR) for endgames
 - Karol Mlynka (Czechoslovakia) for twomovers
 - Theodor Tauber (Israel) for threemovers, selfmates and fairies
 - Dr Hermann Weissauer (FRG) for threemovers and moremovers
 - Vladimir Zabunov (Bulgaria) for twomovers and threemovers
- b) International Solving Master of the FIDE:
 - Michel Caillaud (France)
- c) Honorary Master of Problem Chess:
 - Fans Klüver (FRG)
 - Dr Gregorz Grzeban (Poland)

10.2. Granting of titles, proposals and report by the Qualifications Committee

- a) The title "International Judge of the FIDE for Chess Compositions" was granted to:
 - Yochanan Afek (Israel) for endgames
 - Horst Böttger (GDR) for threemovers and moremovers
 - D.N. Kapralos (Greece) for twomovers
 - Zoltan Labai (Czechoslovakia) for twomovers and threemovers
 - Rosario Notaro (Italy) for twomovers
 - Franz Pachl (FRG) for twomovers

Ing Miroslav Sindelar (Czechoslovakia) for threemovers and moremovers

Waldemar Tura (Poland) for twomovers, threemovers, self-mates, fairies

Claude Wiedenhoff (France) for twomovers

Prof Byron Zappas (Greece) for twomovers and threemovers

Volker Zipf (GDR) for threemovers and moremovers

- b) The title "Grandmaster of the FIDE for Chess Compositions" was granted to:

Drs Cor Goldschmeding (Netherlands)

Aleksandr Grin (Gulajev) (USSR)

Ernest Pogosjanc (USSR)

Jakov Vladimirov (USSR)

Dr Milan Vukcevic (USA)

- c) The title "International Master of the FIDE for Chess Compositions" was granted to:

Venelin Alaikov (Bulgaria), Krasimir Gandev (Bulgaria),

Leonard Kacnelson (USSR), Aurel Karpati (USA), Attila

Koranyi (Hungary), Nikolaj Kralin (USSR), Andrej Lobusov

(USSR), Josef Retter (Israel), Piotr Ruszczynski (Poland),

Jan Valuska (Czechoslovakia).

- d) The title "International Solving Grandmaster of the FIDE" was granted to:

Roland Baier (Switzerland), Marjan Kovacevic (Yugoslavia),

Arno Zude (FRG)

- e) The title "International Solving Master of the FIDE" was granted to David Friedgood (Great Britain).

- f) The title "Honorary Master of Problem Chess" was granted to:

Aleksander Pituk (Czechoslovakia), Janos Kiss (Hungary),

Ferenc Fleck (Hungary).

All these titles were granted by unanimous decision of the members present.

§ 11 Statutes

11.1. Notification of the amended version (Budapest 1988)

An editorial committee consisting of Dr Wenda and C. Russ introduced the new versions in German and English. It will be printed by B. Ellinghoven for distribution to all members.

11.2. Notification of the amended WCSC rules (Graz 1987)

Point 9.5 was amended according to the proposal of Mr Axt (see § 8.1).

Both notifications were accepted (21 votes in favour, one abstention).

§ 12 Establishing of new titles for problem composers

a) FIDE-Master

A written proposal by Yugoslavia submitted during the meeting will be included in the Agenda for Bournemouth. Dr Wenda suggested waiting for the results of the 1983-85 Album, in order to have a better idea about the actual number of candidates for such a title.

b) Proposal by Poland (see § 6)

Dr H. Axt mentioned the various competitions already existing and had doubts about the general appeal of the proposal to German composers (bad experiences with "Schwalbe Pokal") M. Bonavoglia and Drs C. Goldschmeding criticized the plan that only one problem of one composer in each group would be provided.

Dr Wenda added that the selected problem would usually be one of an established master-composer, so this system would not be suitable to encourage young problemists. He raised then the questions of costs, judges, organizers and so on. Dr Rusinek will prepare a modified proposal for the Bournemouth meeting.

§ 13 Contacts with big FIDE (report by the President)

The grant of sFr 3000,- for the period August 1987-July 1988 has been paid.

Dr Wenda reported about an alteration in the General Secretariat. Dr Lim Kok Ann has retired. A new Secretary will be nominated before the end of the year. For the present Assistant Secretary Mr Abundo is discharging the function.

Prof B. Zappas proposed getting official documents for titles from the big FIDE. Dr Wenda answered that such a document would be available for each problemist who is ready to pay sFr 100,- to big FIDE. He promised to explore the possibilities of printing specific PCCC documents with tolerable costs.

§ 14 Future meetings and future WCSC

14.1. Invitation 1989 by Britain

C. Russ gave a short report. The meeting will take place from 19th-26th August 1989 in Bournemouth.

14.2. Invitation 1990

A. Arguelles offered Benidorm near Alicante in September. He mentioned that since 1965 there had been no meeting in Spain, and emphasized facilities and the influence of the organizer Mr Munoz in Benidorm.

Mr Munoz promised to give complete information about Benidorm in Bournemouth. The hotel would be 5 km from Benidorm and would offer good conditions.

M. Kovacevic stated that he could not see a real chance to combine the PCCC meeting with the Chess Olympiad in Yugoslavia. There were no other applications. Dr Wenda proposed a vote on the Spanish invitation. The result was the acceptance of Benidorm for 1990 by unanimous decision of the members present (Dr G. Nadareishvili, S. Chimedtzeren and U. Avner were absent).

§ 15 Study composition match USSR-rest of the world

L. Falk (Sweden) gave a short report underlining the importance of propagating studies.

By the end of September 1988 all countries will receive an official invitation. A composer may contribute one study under each of two themes.

§ 16 Any other business

Dr G. Nadareishvili proposed the establishment of a subcommittee for studies with the following aims and tasks:

1. Promoting closer contacts with chess-players
2. Methodical recommendations in a handbook
3. Links with computer chess
4. Announcing lists of defective studies
5. Recommendations to the PCCC
6. Plan of action setting up special matches, tourneys and meetings
7. Register of all study tourneys

The proposal was supported by the study composers O. Comay, L. Falk, A. Hildebrand, Dr. G. Nadareishvili, V. Neidse, P. Perkonoja, J. Van Reek, J. Roycroft, Dr J. Rusinek, P. Valois. Dr H. Axt found these aims to be too general and pointed at all the other types of problems having no specific subcommittees. After a longer discussion Dr Wenda requested a vote.

The Subcommittee for Studies was accepted as a standing subcommittee (§ IX of the Statutes) by a majority (12 votes in favour, 2 votes against, 4 abstentions). U. Avner, M. Bonavoglia, S. Chimedtzeren and Dr N. Guttman were absent.

After this the following were elected as members of this subcommittee (17 votes in favour, 1 abstention):

L. Falk (Sweden)

Dr G. Nadareishvili (USSR) Speaker

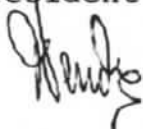
J. Van Reek (Netherlands)

Dr J. Rusinek (Poland)

As there was no further business, the President closed the meeting, expressing his opinion that good work had been done during the past week.

Vienna, October 1988

Dr K. Wenda
President



H. Zajic
Secretary

