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## FIDE Plans to Recycle

### Support Our Guys

Check your calendars and set aside Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup> to log on to the ICC website. That is the day that USAT East champs Beavis and Butt-Vinnik will vie for the National team championship against the winners of the West, South and Mid-West editions of this tournament.

As was reported in the previous newsletter, the representative champions from the East include Nick Panico, James Critelli and Alan Kantor. All are currently LIICL members or are alumni.

The format for this is a round-robin where each team plays each other via the Internet. So there will be 6 matches in all, 2 being played simultaneously. Consult with ICC for the exact time. You can log on to:

[www.chessclub.com](http://www.chessclub.com)

in order to set up an account. You will need to be an ICC member to participate in play or to watch such events. However you can sign-up for a free 7-day trial. If you do not care to continue after that period, it costs you nothing. We wish our fellow chessmates good luck and good chess!

### FIDE Proposes New Cycle

FIDE has changed its mind again. There is now a new proposed championship cycle that has been outlined in a memo released on the FIDE website. Rather than comment here, you should read the letter and reach your own conclusions. Suffice it to say that the Association of Chess Professionals has come out with a response that takes issue with some of the proposed and offers suggested changes. We are sure that this will not be the end of this very volatile issue for the World's top GMs. The FIDE letter in its entirety appears on page 4.

### Anand Leads Linares

As of the time of this writing Viswanathan Anand was leading the Linares Super-GM tournament by 1/2 point. Only two rounds remain. Phenom Magnus Carlsen is in second place. This tournament is held annually in Spain but this year there was a change in format. The first half of the double round-robin was held in Mexico. The crosstable of results appears at the top of page 5.

### Submit Your Best Game!

Effective immediately a new policy is in effect which governs how games must be submitted for consideration for the Best Game and Best Combination prizes. All such games with comments must be submitted in .pgn format. The address to which you must mail your entry is:

[webmaster@liicl.com](mailto:webmaster@liicl.com)

No other entries will be considered. You can send in the games without annotations but then you risk that the evaluation committee may miss the point! Your entry must include in the title whether it is being submitted for Best Game, Best Combination or Both. The games will then be made available for viewing on the website. Just click on the "LIICL Games" link and you will be brought to the games viewer that has been set up by Jim Dwulit. Any game played under the auspices of LIICL play is eligible for either of these Ronnie Awards. That includes all regular season games, non-scheduled, rated games played during the season, all playoff games and all Individual Tournament games through Round 5. The deadline for submitting is Midnight, May 20<sup>th</sup>. So there is still time for to create, annotate and submit that brilliancy.

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### 2006-2007 LIICL Regular Season Team Standings

Team	Team Rating	LIICL PPR	TB's PR	----Games----				----Match----				F
				W	L	D	Pts	W	L	D	Pts	
NGC	1977	15.3	11.00	24	9	3	25.5	6	2	1	6.5	0
LSF	1874	14.8	11.53	22	9	5	24.5	6	2	1	6.5	1
PRA	1976	14.3	10.94	21	10	5	23.5	7	2	0	7.0	1
CCC	1829	13.4	8.23	21	14	5	23.5	5	2	3	6.5	0
EDO	1869	12.3	9.47	17	13	6	20.0	4	2	3	5.5	5
Alumni D	1702	10.3	6.03	13	21	6	16.0	2	6	2	3.0	1
Honeywell/KSI	1703	9.5	5.68	14	22	4	16.0	3	4	3	4.5	9
Alumni E	1570	8.9	4.72	9	21	6	12.0	2	7	0	2.0	4
Alumni C	1464	6.1	2.61	3	29	4	5.0	0	8	1	0.5	1

## Individual Class Standings After Round 11

Rating	Name	Team	PPR	G	W	L	D	Bye
<b>Class A</b>								
1978	Rizzo, Robert	NGC	4.33	8	7	0	1	2
1967	Romero, Steve	EDO	4.33	9	6	0	3	2
2100	Pappaceno, Mike	PRA	3.89	9	5	1	3	2
2004	Leone, Dave	LSF	3.89	9	4	0	5	2
1984	Panico, Nick III	PRA	3.67	7	6	1	0	2
2172	Berg, George	NGC	3.44	9	5	3	1	2
1953	Dwulit, James	PRA	3.44	6	5	0	1	2
1920	Bonfante, Charles	LSF	3.22	7	5	2	0	2
1982	Wilkie, Clayton	NGC	3.00	9	4	4	1	2
2102 /6	Pour, Darius	ALD	2.60	5	4	1	0	1
2089	Chipkin, Len	EDO	2.56	6	3	2	1	2
1892	Hodos, Julian	ALE	2.33	7	2	3	2	2
1938	Wisbauer, Robert	PRA	1.44	1	1	0	0	2
1941	Panico, Danny	PRA	1.00	1	0	1	0	2
<b>Class B</b>								
1723	Standing, Robert	LSF	4.11	7	7	0	0	2
1901	Celauro Sal	LSF	3.22	9	5	4	0	2
1833	Marley, Ken T	NGC	3.22	7	5	2	0	2
1854	Viale, Richard	CCC	3.00	10	5	5	0	1
1854	Alikakos, George	EDO	3.00	9	4	4	1	2
1727	Muttreja, Suresh	HON	3.00	10	5	5	0	1
1693	Montenero, Paul J	CCC	3.00	6	5	1	0	1
1855 /13	Dorsky Michael	CCC	2.80	8	4	3	1	1
1745	Frohreich, Frank	ALD	2.80	10	2	3	5	1
1822	Sommese, Anthon	PRA	2.33	5	3	2	0	2
1883	Lamb, Terry	CCC	2.00	5	2	2	1	1
1830	Hom, Dennis	PRA	1.67	6	1	4	1	2
1809	Solomon, Steve	HON	1.20	2	0	1	1	1
1846 /8	Lustig, Darren	IND	1.00	0	0	0	0	2
<b>Class C</b>								
1630	Insogna, Matt	HON	3.60	9	6	2	1	1
1593	Spreckles, Charle	EDO	3.00	7	4	2	1	2
1528	Shattuck, John	ALD	3.00	9	5	4	0	1
1649	Ogen, Tom	HON	2.60	10	3	5	2	1
1671	Wu, Danny	NGC	2.33	3	3	0	0	2
1683 /5	Schilling, Pete	ALE	2.33	8	3	5	0	2
1623	Kingsley, John	ALC	2.11	7	2	4	1	2
1591	Celaru, Adrian	ALE	2.11	8	1	4	3	2
1596	Rusch, Ed	ALD	2.00	9	2	6	1	1
1664 USCF	Kubelle, Matt	IND	1.00	0	0	0	0	2
1633	Willmott, Paul	LSF	1.00	1	0	1	0	2
1626 USCF	Soto, Jorge	IND	1.00	0	0	0	0	2
1554 /7	DePrisco, William	ALD	1.00	2	0	2	0	1
<b>Class D</b>								
1408	Thomas, Walter	ALE	2.56	9	3	5	1	2
1489	Proffman, Paul	CCC	2.40	5	3	1	1	1
1426	Warnock, Andy	CCC	1.80	3	1	0	2	1
1456	Greenwald, Justin	LSF	1.44	2	1	1	0	2
1435	Goldman, Mel	ALC	1.44	8	0	6	2	2
1412	Mastandrea, Robe	ALC	1.44	8	1	7	0	2
1140	Cretaro, Tony	CCC	1.40	3	1	2	0	1
1383	Watnick, Mel	ALC	1.22	8	0	7	1	2
UNR /1	Kelly, Dave	IND	1.00	0	0	0	0	2
1404	Goldstein, Carrie	IND	1.00	0	0	0	0	2
1400 EST	Roman, C	ALC	1.00	1	0	1	0	2
1371	Hartten, Ed	ALD	1.00	3	0	3	0	1
1289	Loshin, Al	ALC	1.00	3	0	3	0	2

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## Open Letter from FIDE Regarding the World Chess Championship

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Moscow, 1 March 2007

Dear Chess Friends,

Following the decision of the Presidential Board at its meeting in Antalya, I was tasked to take a decision on the World Chess Championship cycle and the World Chess Cup.

After a thorough examination of the responses from the top Grandmasters and ACP and based on my consultations with national federations and various representatives of the chess public, I have resolved as follows:

1. In respect of the World Championship Cycle, to approve Proposal A. The proposal is very simple and seems to me to be easier to explain to sponsors, the mass media and chess lovers throughout the world. This proposal gives more prestige to the World Cup and its winner. Choosing this proposal, we are going to continue the long tradition of chess championship matches, established in 1886. I am sure that everyone will like the clash of different styles, characters and approach to chess during these matches.

2. In respect of the World Chess Cup: 126 participants. First stage – 14 groups, 9 players each. Second stage: 14 group winners + 4 best of those who came second in the groups. At the second stage 18 players are divided into 2 groups, 9 players each. The group winners play a match of 4 games. The duration of the tournament is 26 days.

Taking into consideration the experience of other sport Federations and the opinions in favour of the tournament of 8 players, I am proposing hereby to organize “FIDE Masters’ Cup” in November and /or December of each even year for the first 6 players according to the rating list (Double Round Robin system), with the minimum prize fund of 500,000 (five hundred thousand) USD.

Gens Una Sumus,

Kirsan Ilyumzhinov, President

### Proposal A

The proposal is to terminate the World Championship Tournament and keep the World Cup as a Candidates tournament to find a challenger for a World Championship match. So in every odd year there will be only the World Cup (2007, 2009, 2011, etc.) and the respective winner will play every next year (2008, 2010, 2012, etc.) a match against the World Champion.

The chronological breakdown:

a1. 2008: The winner from WCCT 2007 in Mexico plays a World Championship match against the previous World Champion. If Kramnik does not win the WCCT 2007, then Kramnik can challenge the winner of Mexico in the first part of 2008. If Kramnik wins in Mexico, then the right to challenge goes to the previous World Champion, ie Topalov.

a2. 2009: The winner of the “a1” match plays a World Championship match against the winner of the 2007 World Cup which will be held in Khanty-Mansiysk.

a3. 2010: The World Champion (winner of “a2”) plays a World Championship match against the winner of the 2009 World Cup,

a4. 2012: The World Champion (winner of “a3”) plays a World Championship match against the winner of the 2011 World Cup,

a5. 2014: The World Champion (winner of “a4”) plays a World Championship match against the winner of the 2013 World Cup,

and so on.

### Anand Leads Linares with 2 Rounds Remaining

			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
1 Anand, V	2779	+48	**	1 1	1/2 1/2	0 1/2	1/2 1/2	1/2	1 1/2	1	7.5/12
2 Carlsen, M	2690	+124	0 0	**	1/2	1/2 1/2	1 1/2	1 1	1 1/2	1/2	7.0/12
3 Svidler, P	2728	+54	1/2 1/2	1/2	**	1/2 1/2	1/2 1/2	1/2 1/2	1/2	1/2 1	6.5/12
4 Aronian, L	2744	-1	1 1/2	1/2 1/2	1/2 1/2	**	1/2	0	1/2 1/2	1/2 1/2	6.0/12
5 Topalov, V	2783	-72	1/2 1/2	0 1/2	1/2 1/2	1/2	**	0 1/2	1	1/2 1/2	5.5/12
6 Ivanchuk, V	2750	-36	1/2	0 0	1/2 1/2	1	1 1/2	**	1/2 0	1/2 1/2	5.5/12
7 Morozevich, A	2741	-25	0 1/2	0 1/2	1/2	1/2 1/2	0	1/2 1	**	1/2 1	5.5/12
8 Leko, P	2749	-90	0	1/2	1/2 0	1/2 1/2	1/2 1/2	1/2 1/2	1/2 0	**	4.5/12



Beavis and Butt-Vinnik will Vie for the National Team Title - left to right Nick Panico III, Evan Rabin, Evan Turtel & Jim Critelli  
(Alan Kantor not Shown)  
Photo supplied by Nick Panico III

### LIICL Team Tie-Breaks Through Rnd. 11.0

Team	TBs	Game	ALE	ALD	EDO	ALC	HON	PRA	LSF	NGC	CCC
		Pts	2.0	3.0	5.5	0.5	4.5	7.0	6.5	6.5	6.5
ALE	42.50	12.0		2.5	0.5	4.0	1.5	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.5
ALD	60.25	16.0	5.5		1.5	2.0	3.0	1.0	0.5	0.0	2.5
EDO	85.25	20.0	3.5	2.5		3.0	1.5	1.5	2.0	4.0	2.0
ALC	23.50	5.0	0.0	2.0	1.0		0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5
HON	56.75	16.0	2.5	4.0	1.5	3.5		1.0	0.0	0.0	3.5
PRA	98.50	23.5	2.5	3.0	2.5	4.0	3.0		4.0	1.5	3.0
LSF	103.75	24.5	2.5	3.5	2.0	4.0	4.0	4.0		3.0	1.5
NGC	99.00	25.5	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	2.5	1.0		2.0
CCC	82.25	23.5	3.5	1.5	2.0	6.5	4.5	1.0	2.5	2.0	

## LIICL 2006-07 Mid-Season Ratings

Rating	Name	Team	Rating	Name	Team
1854	Alikakos, George	EDO	1412	Mastandrea, Robert	ALC
2172	Berg, George	NGC	1693	Montenero, Paul J	CCC
1920	Bonfante, Charles	LSF	1727	Muttreja, Suresh	HON
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1745	Frohreich, Frank	ALD	1967	Romero, Steve	EDO
1435	Goldman, Mel	ALC	1596	Rusch, Ed	ALD
1404	Goldstein, Carrie	IND	1683 /5	Schilling, Pete	ALE
1456	Greenwald, Justin	LSF	1528	Shattuck, John	ALD
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1664 USCF	Kubelle, Matt	IND	1854	Viale, Richard	CCC
1883	Lamb, Terry	CCC	1426	Warnock, Andy	CCC
2004	Leone, Dave	LSF	1383	Watnick, Mel	ALC
1289	Loshin, Al	ALC	1982	Wilkie, Clayton	NGC
1846 /8	Lustig, Darren	IND	1938	Wisbauer, Robert	PRA
1833	Marley, Ken T	NGC	1671	Wu, Danny	NGC

### LIICL Team Tie-Break Odds

Through Rnd. 11.0

Team	ALE	ALD	EDO	ALC	HON	PRA	LSF	NGC	CCC
ALE		ALD	EDO	ALC	HON	PRA	LSF	NGC	CCC
ALD	ALD		EDO	ALC	HON	PRA	LSF	NGC	ALD
EDO	EDO	EDO		EDO	EDO	PRA	2.0	NGC	CCC
ALC	ALE	ALD	EDO		HON	PRA	LSF	NGC	CCC
HON	HON	HON	EDO	HON		PRA	LSF	NGC	CCC
PRA	PRA	PRA	PRA	PRA	PRA		4.0	NGC	PRA
LSF	LSF	LSF	2.0	LSF	LSF	4.0		LSF	CCC
NGC	NGC	NGC	NGC	NGC	NGC	NGC	LSF		NGC
CCC	CCC	ALD	CCC	CCC	CCC	PRA	CCC	NGC	

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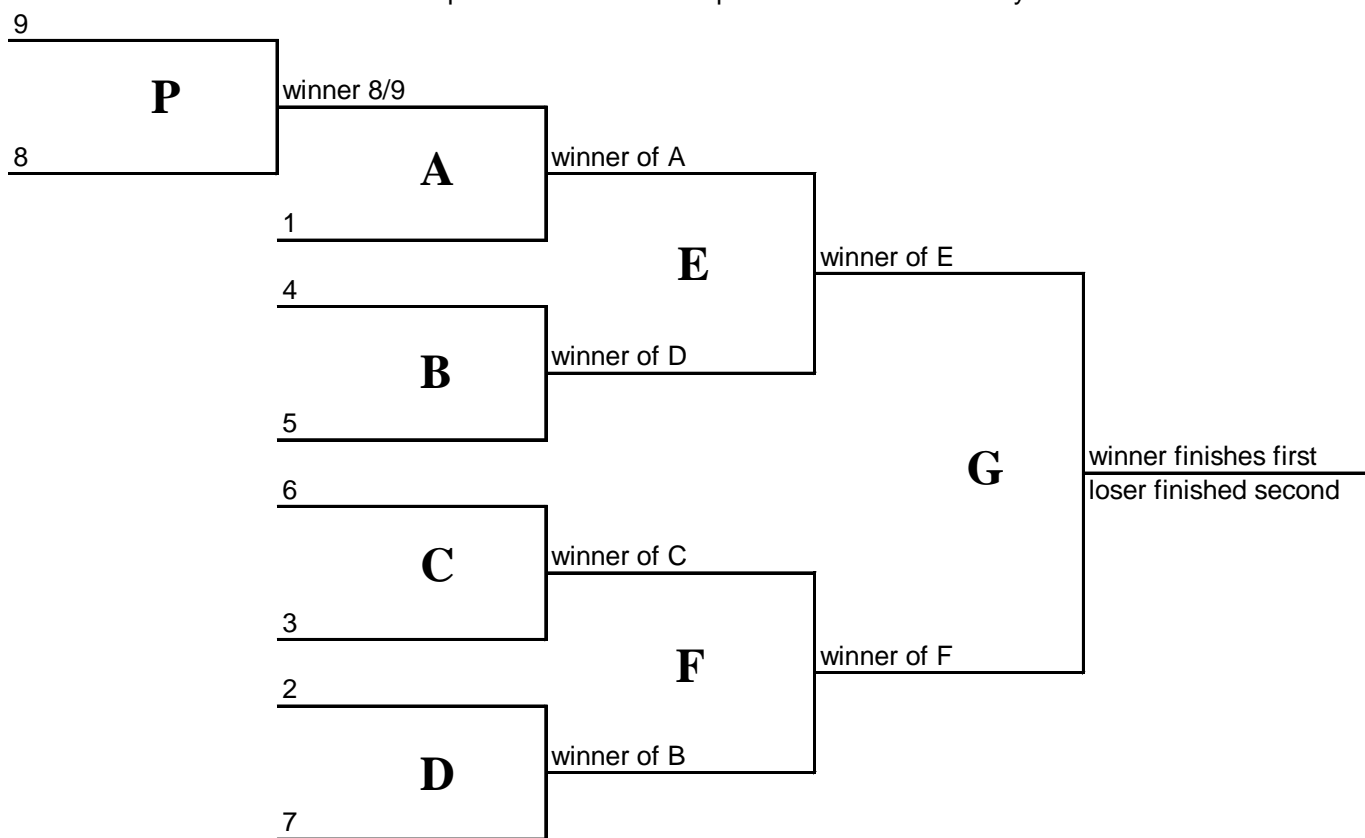
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= Tied, TBOs dependent upon final round results

= TBOs could change based upon final round results

# 2006-2007 LIICL Playoff Brackets

Round 1 - March 23      Round 2 - April 13      Round 3 - April 20      Round 4 - May 4



## Complete Bracketology

As promised in a prior newsletter, we have attempted to clear up the complexities of the amended LIICL playoff system. As the brackets on this page shows, each match to be played has been assigned a letter. In round 1, match "P" will pit the eighth and ninth place finishers in the play-in contest to enter the quarterfinals. The winner advances to match "A" and the loser is now free to enter the Individual Tournament which is held concurrently with the playoff rounds. In round 2 the four quarterfinal ("A", "B", "C" and "D") matches will be held. The four winners advance to the semis in matches "E" and "F". The four losing teams will play in the bottom brackets shows as matches "H" and "I". In the semifinals, round 3, the winners of "E" and "F" will advance to match "G", for the Championship. The losers will then play each other in match "J" for third place overall. The winners of matches "H" and "I" will face each other in match "K" on finals night (round 4) with the winner taking fifth place. The losers of matches "H" and "I" will play in match "L" for seventh place. As always, those players who are alternates for their teams and are not participating in the team matches, may sign up for the Individual Swiss Tournament. All games in match play will double as Individual contest games. Round 5 is the Individual Swiss final round and all players who show will be paired per Swiss tournament rules.

