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Expanded Playoffs

All Favorites Advance

While the four favorites advanced to the semifinals, no team Ronnies are determined as they would have been in prior years. That is because 3 Under 1800 rated teams are still competing in the consolation category.

The establishment of consolation playoffs this year was voted for by the Executive Board in the hopes that it would encourage more team play and interest in the playoffs. Instead of having only two matches in the semifinal round and only one in the final round, now those rounds will feature 4 matches each just like during the regular season non-position rounds.

Advancing to the winners bracket and now competing for places first through fourth are LSF, CCC, PRA and NGC. The consolation bracket where places fifth through eighth will be determined contains Hon/KSF, EDO, ALE and ALD. Match-ups, colors and who has tie-break odds can be found in the brackets section of this newsletter on page 6.

As usual, the Individual Swiss is being held concurrently with the team playoffs. All are welcome to enter the Individual Swiss tournament.

Undermanned? So What!

Occasionally you run across a game that is quite entertaining because it is so out of the ordinary. You cannot rely on your experience to draw conclusions. In the featured game whilst material balance is theoretically maintained, other factors, such as position and piece coordination, play a more critical role.

ICCF IM Keith Rodriguez, who is competing in the 2005 Absolute tournament (the USCF's premier correspondence chess event), demonstrates what it takes to win at this high level. First lull your opponent into the illusion of your being at a material deficit. Then use your not so obvious advantages of mobility and cooperation of forces to slowly build a superior board position. Then let your lady enjoy the run of the house.

After prudently manipulating exchanges so that he only has a Queen for Rook, Knight and Bishop, the creative energies of one of our country's top cc players produces a joy to behold. Note how Her Highness's mobility takes advantage of the awkwardly placed enemy forces and escorts her foot soldiers onto dominating squares. His oppo-

nent surrenders before having to sacrifice the rest of his forces for those pawns.

This game allowed Keith to finish at plus 5. He now awaits the completion of the remainder of the games in this event to see where he will place. His near GM level performance might prove good enough for the title. Good luck Keith!

[White: "Rodriguez,Keith"]

[WhiteElo: "2331"]

[Black: "Ratner,Boris"]

[BlackElo: "2407"]

[ECO: "B06"]

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1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 d6 4.f4 a6 5.Nf3 b5 6.Bd3 Nd7 7.e5 c5 8.Be4 Rb8 9.0-0 cxd4 10.Nxd4 Bb7 11.exd6 Qb6 12.Be3 Qxd6 13.Bxb7 Rxb7 14.Re1 Nfg6 15.Qf3 Rb6 16.Rad1 Qc7 17.Bf2 e6 18.f5 e5 19.Qa8+ Nb8 20.Ndx5 Rxb5 21.Nxb5 axb5 22.Re3 b4 23.Rxe5+ Qxe5 24.Re1 Qxe1+ 25.Bxe1 0-0 26.Bxb4 Re8 27.Bc3 gxf5 28.Bxf6 Bxf6 29.b4 Bd4+ 30.Kf1 Kf8 31.b5 Be5 32.Qa3+ Re7 33.c4 f6 34.c5 Nd7 35.Qa8+ Kg7 36.Qd8 1-0

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2006-2007 LIICL Regular Season Final Team Standings

Team	Team Rating	LIICL PPR	TB's PR	----Games----				----Match----				
				W	L	D	Pts	W	L	D	Pts	F
LSF	1874	14.7	12.40	24	10	6	27.0	7	2	1	7.5	1
NGC	1977	14.6	11.45	24	11	5	26.5	6	3	1	6.5	0
PRA	2019	14.5	12.45	23	10	7	26.5	8	2	0	8.0	1
CCC	1829	13.4	8.93	21	14	5	23.5	5	2	3	6.5	0
EDO	1869	11.9	10.35	18	15	7	21.5	4	3	3	5.5	7
Alumni D	1702	10.3	6.73	13	21	6	16.0	2	6	2	3.0	1
Alumni E	1570	10.0	4.75	13	21	6	16.0	3	7	0	3.0	4
Honeywell/KSF	1703	9.5	6.03	14	22	4	16.0	3	4	3	4.5	9
Alumni C	1464	5.9	2.35	3	33	4	5.0	0	9	1	0.5	1

2007 LIICL Individual Swiss After Round 2

#	Name	Rtng	Rd1	Rd2	Tot	TB1	TB2	TB3
1	Steve Romero	1990	W17	W19	2.0	2.0	3.0	3.0
2	Dave Leone	2020	W35	W18	2.0	1.0	3.0	2.0
3	Sal Celauro	1843	W36	W20	2.0	1.0	3.0	2.0
4	Rich Viale	1840	W37	W27	2.0	0.5	3.0	1.0
5	Kolman Turiy	1816	W28	W38	2.0	0.5	3.0	0.5
6	Mel Watnick	1332	X—	W37	2.0	0.0	2.0	0.0
7	George Berg	2120	D8	W30	1.5	2.0	2.0	3.0
8	Tony Sommese	1801	D7	W36	1.5	1.5	2.0	2.0
9	Ken Marley	1812	D26	W32	1.5	1.0	2.0	2.0
10	Charlie Bonfante	1910	H—	W22	1.5	1.0	1.5	2.0
11	Darius Pour	2102	H—	W26	1.5	0.5	1.5	1.0
12	Clay Wilkie	1919	H—	W31	1.5	0.5	1.5	1.0
13	Pete Schilling	1719	H—	W29	1.5	0.5	1.5	1.0
14	Jim Dwulit	1967	H—	W40	1.5	0.0	1.5	0.0
15	Dennis Hom	1801	H—	W39	1.5	0.0	1.5	0.0
16	Jorge Soto	1626	H—	W35	1.5	0.0	1.5	0.0
17	Ed Rusch	1622	L1	W21	1.0	3.0	1.0	5.0
18	Steve Solomon	1809	W34	L2	1.0	2.5	2.0	3.5
19	Terry Lamb	1915	W39	L1	1.0	2.0	2.0	3.0
20	Matt Insogna	1645	W38	L3	1.0	2.0	2.0	3.0
21	Nick III Panico	2024	W23	L17	1.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
22	Suresh Muttreja	1755	W40	L10	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.0
23	Robert Standing	1755	L21	W33	1.0	1.5	1.0	3.0
24	Mike Dorsky	1834	H—	D25	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.5
25	Charles Spreckles	1633	H—	D24	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.5
26	Mike Pappaceno	2110	D9	L11	0.5	3.0	1.0	4.0
27	George Alikakos	1854	H—	L4	0.5	2.0	0.5	3.0
28	Paul Proffman	1492	L5	H—	0.5	2.0	0.0	3.0
29	Robert Rizzo	1980	H—	L13	0.5	1.5	0.5	2.0
30	Julian Hodos	1903	H—	L7	0.5	1.5	0.5	2.0
31	Adrian Celaru	1601	H—	L12	0.5	1.5	0.5	2.0
32	Walter Thomas	1405	H—	L9	0.5	1.5	0.5	2.0
33	Tom Ogen	1632	H—	L23	0.5	1.0	0.5	1.0
34	John Kingsley	1639	L18	H—	0.5	1.0	0.0	2.0
35	Paul J Montenero	1697	L2	L16	0.0	3.5	0.0	5.0
36	Ed Hartten	1354	L3	L8	0.0	3.5	0.0	5.0
37	Zack Montenero	UNR	L4	L6	0.0	3.5	0.0	5.0
38	Robert Mastandrea	1440	L20	L5	0.0	3.0	0.0	5.0
39	John Shattuck	1579	L19	L15	0.0	2.5	0.0	4.0
40	Mel Goldman	1435	L22	L14	0.0	2.5	0.0	4.0

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2006-2007 Playoff Ratings

Rating	by Name	Team	Rating	Name	by Team	by Rating	by Name	Team
1854	Alikakos, George	EDO	1639	Kingsley, John	ALC	2120	Berg, George	NGC
2120	Berg, George	NGC	1440	Mastandrea, Robert	ALC	2110	Pappaceno, Mike	PRA
1910	Bonfante, Charles	LSF	1435	Goldman, Mel	ALC	2102	Pour, Darius	ALD
1601	Celaru, Adrian	ALE	1400	EST Roman, C	ALC	2062	Chipkin, Len	EDO
1843	Celauro Sal	LSF	1332	Wabnick, Mel	ALC	2029	USCF Rabin, Evan	PRA
2062	Chipkin, Len	EDO	1289	Loshin, Al	ALC	2024	Panico, Nick III	PRA
1140	Cretaro, Tony	CCC	2102	/6 Pour, Darius	ALD	2020	Leone, Dave	LSF
1486	/8 DePrisco, William	ALD	1720	Frohreich, Frank	ALD	1990	Romero, Steve	EDO
1834	Dorsky Michael	CCC	1622	Rusch, Ed	ALD	1980	Rizzo, Robert	NGC
1967	Dwulit, James	PRA	1579	Shattuck, John	ALD	1967	Dwulit, James	PRA
1180	EST Finnegan, Mike	LSF	1486	/8 DePrisco, William	ALD	1938	Wisbauer, Robert	PRA
1720	Frohreich, Frank	ALD	1354	Hartten, Ed	ALD	1919	Wilkie, Clayton	NGC
1435	Goldman, Mel	ALC	1903	Hodos, Julian	ALE	1918	Panico, Danny	PRA
1404	Goldstein, Carrie	IND	1719	/10 Schilling, Pete	ALE	1915	Lamb, Terry	CCC
1528	Greenwald, Justin	LSF	1601	Celaru, Adrian	ALE	1910	Bonfante, Charles	LSF
1354	Hartten, Ed	ALD	1405	Thomas, Walter	ALE	1903	Hodos, Julian	ALE
1903	Hodos, Julian	ALE	1915	Lamb, Terry	CCC	1854	Alikakos, George	EDO
1801	Hom, Dennis	PRA	1840	Viale, Richard	CCC	1846	/8 Lustig, Darren	IND
1645	Insogna, Matt	HON	1834	Dorsky Michael	CCC	1843	Celauro Sal	LSF
UNR	/1 Kelly, Dave	IND	1697	Montenero, Paul J	CCC	1840	Viale, Richard	CCC
1639	Kingsley, John	ALC	1492	Proffman, Paul	CCC	1834	Dorsky Michael	CCC
1664	USCF Kubelle, Matt	IND	1423	Warnock, Andy	CCC	1812	Marley, Ken T	NGC
1915	Lamb, Terry	CCC	1140	Cretaro, Tony	CCC	1809	Solomon, Steve	HON
2020	Leone, Dave	LSF	2062	Chipkin, Len	EDO	1801	Hom, Dennis	PRA
1289	Loshin, Al	ALC	1990	Romero, Steve	EDO	1801	Sommese, Anthony	PRA
1846	/8 Lustig, Darren	IND	1854	Alikakos, George	EDO	1755	Muttreja, Suresh	HON
1812	Marley, Ken T	NGC	1633	Spreckles, Charles	EDO	1755	Standing, Robert	LSF
1440	Mastandrea, Robert	ALC	1809	Solomon, Steve	HON	1720	Frohreich, Frank	ALD
1697	Montenero, Paul J	CCC	1755	Muttreja, Suresh	HON	1719	/10 Schilling, Pete	ALE
1755	Muttreja, Suresh	HON	1645	Insogna, Matt	HON	1697	Montenero, Paul J	CCC
1632	Ogen, Tom	HON	1632	Ogen, Tom	HON	1680	Wu, Danny	NGC
1918	Panico, Danny	PRA	1846	/8 Lustig, Darren	IND	1664	USCF Kubelle, Matt	IND
2024	Panico, Nick III	PRA	1664	USCF Kubelle, Matt	IND	1645	Insogna, Matt	HON
2110	Pappaceno, Mike	PRA	1626	USCF Soto, Jorge	IND	1639	Kingsley, John	ALC
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2029	USCF Rabin, Evan	PRA	2020	Leone, Dave	LSF	1626	USCF Soto, Jorge	IND
1980	Rizzo, Robert	NGC	1910	Bonfante, Charles	LSF	1622	Rusch, Ed	ALD
1400	EST Roman, C	ALC	1843	Celauro Sal	LSF	1620	Willmott, Paul	LSF
1990	Romero, Steve	EDO	1755	Standing, Robert	LSF	1601	Celaru, Adrian	ALE
1622	Rusch, Ed	ALD	1620	Willmott, Paul	LSF	1579	Shattuck, John	ALD
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Playoff Ratings are published above. These new ratings apply for determination of each team's board order for the post-season. If a player remains unrated, that player should be placed so that the relative rating position from the regular season does not change in relation to that player's teammates. If two players on the same team have identical ratings, they may be seated in the order of their captain's discretion. However, once that order is established, it cannot be changed. The new ratings will also be used to determine pairings for the Individual Swiss Tournament which runs concurrently with the team playoffs. Normal Swiss pairings will apply for players not participating in a team match with the exception that teammates will be restricted from facing each other in the first three rounds.

Team Results - Round P2

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EDO -----		CCC -----		NGC -----		AlumniE -----
RomeroS	1.0 0.0	LambT		Berg G	1.0 0.0	HodosJ
Alikakos G	0.0 1.0	Viale R		Rizzo R	0.0 1.0	Schilling P
Spreckles C	0.5 0.5	Dorsky M		Wilkie C	1.0 0.0	Celaru A
Forfeit	0.0 1.0	MonteneroPJ		Marley K	1.0 0.0	Thomas W
	1.5 2.5				3.0 1.0	
AlumniD -----		PRA -----		LSF -----		HON/KSF -----
Pour D	1.0 0.0	PappacenoM		Leone D	1.0 0.0	Solomon S
Rusch E	1.0 0.0	PanicoNIII		Bonfante C	1.0 0.0	MuttrejaS
Shattuck J	0.0 1.0	HomD		Celauro S	1.0 0.0	InsongaM
HarttenE	0.0 1.0	Sommese A		Standing R	1.0 0.0	Ogen T
	2.0 2.0				4.0 0.0	

Individual Results - Round I2

13-Apr-2007

White -----		Black -----
Dwulit J	1.0 0.0	GoldmanM
Mastandrea R	0.0 1.0	Turiy K
Soto J	1.0 0.0	MonteneroPJ
Montenero Z	0.0 1.0	Watnick M

LIICL Team Tie-Break Odds

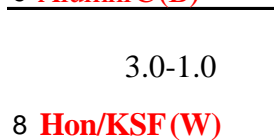
2006-2007 Playoffs

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ALE		ALD	EDO	ALE	HON	PRA	LSF	NGC	CCC
ALD	ALD		EDO	ALD	HON	PRA	LSF	NGC	ALD
EDO	EDO	EDO		EDO	EDO	PRA	LSF	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		LSF	NGC	PRA
LSF	LSF	LSF	LSF	LSF	LSF	LSF		LSF	CCC
NGC	NGC	NGC	NGC	NGC	NGC	NGC	LSF		NGC
CCC	CCC	ALD	CCC	CCC	CCC	PRA	CCC	NGC	

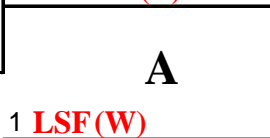
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Round 1 - March 23 Round 2 - April 13 Round 3 - April 20 Round 4 - May 4

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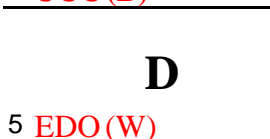
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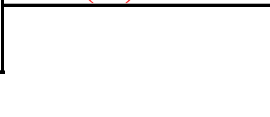
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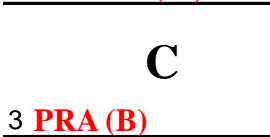
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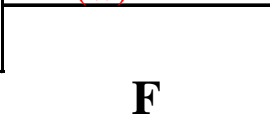
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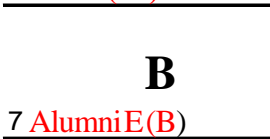
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PRA(W)



2 **NGC(W)**



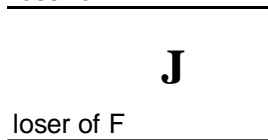
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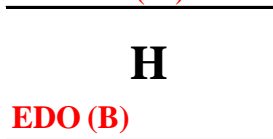
Complete Bracketology

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.

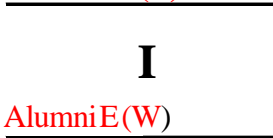
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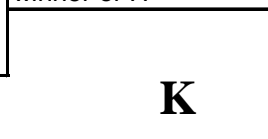
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winner of H



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