

# International chess master challenges UNB students

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When Bobby Fischer defeated Boris Spassky in the 1972 World Championship Match, chess throughout the world underwent a tremendous boom.

At the helm of Canadian Chess throughout this period was international master, Lawrence Day, of Toronto. After having completed university in the early 1970's, Day turned professional and rapidly ascended to the top of Canadian chess. During the late 1970's he set the standards for young Canadian players, and gained an international reputation as a world-class performer. Day broke into the 1980's in a big way, winning the 1980 Canadian Open, the 1980 Quebec Open, and the 1980 World Open. Day has gained renown for his imaginative and precise chess articles. Recently, he released two books and his weekly syndicated column in the Toronto Star is currently unmatched by any other Canadian chess journalist.

Among his most interesting public displays is the simultaneous chess exhibition. On Wednesday, October 16

from 12-3 p.m. in the SUB Blue Lounge all are invited to come and test their skills against Mr. Day. He proposes to play fifteen opponents at the same time, on different boards. As players complete their games, they will forfeit their seats to other prospective participants in order that more individuals get a crack at the champion. And the price — that's the bargain — it's free.

This promotional event is all a part of a campaign to promote the 1985/86 UNB Chess Club and it is sponsored by the Club and the Student Union. Robert Hamilton, UNB chess player, claims, "the UNB Chess Club is worthy of such a promotion and the team which represents the UNB Club will undoubtedly be the strongest in Eastern Canadian history."

Anchoring the team at UNB is Robert Hamilton. Hamilton is currently the top-rated university player in the nation. In 1981 Robert won the Canadian Junior Championship. Since then, he has scored many fine victories on both a national and international level. Robert has just returned from a ten-week tour of the Canadian chess circuit which took him to Calgary, Edmonton, Toronto, Ste. Agathe, Montreal, Ottawa, and back to Montreal.

The highlight for Robert was undoubtedly the rivalry that was established between himself and Kiril Georgiev of Bulgaria (Grandmaster — 1983 World Junior Champion). Hamilton's and Georgiev's paths crossed in two of the last three tournaments. In Ste. Agathe, at the Quebec Open, they met in the final round and Robert needed a win to secure first, as he was entering the last round in second place, half a point behind Georgiev. Robert put Georgiev on the ropes, but

the wily Grandmaster hung on and drew the game after five hours of play. In Montreal the stage was set for a 3rd game between the two, but disaster struck in the penultimate round for Hamilton when he was upset by a Montreal expert and eliminated from contention.

So, you might ask, what would happen if Hamilton were to face Lawrence Day head on? Precisely the kind of entertainment that the Woodshed provides. On Wednesday

evening, October 16, at 9:30 pm, a showcase speed match between Hamilton and Day will take place. Day is the favorite to win the first five games and experts are proclaiming the outcome to be 5-3 for Day. However, it is not beyond our own challenger to beat him. Such a match is truly a unique form of entertainment on the UNB campus and the UNB Chess Club urges all to attend.

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## Need money? UNB Awards Office may help

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It is a known fact that the financial aspect of a student's life is very unstable. The expenses of tuition, books, transportation and living basically add up to a relatively big amount compared to the income of a potential summer job. As a consequence, many students have a big debt load when they graduate. After meeting Susanna Wiesner, the

financial advisor at the Undergraduate Awards Office in Alumni Memorial Building, one discovers that the economic hardships are not as bleak as they seem if the planning has been done thoroughly.

There are many services offered at the Undergraduate Awards Office. They advise and counsel students on how to make and plan a budget, they act as a liaison between students and all the provincial government loan programs and in desperate cases, give students

loans. Throughout the year, Ms. Wiesner counsels a multitude of students at meetings and on a personal level about budgets and loans.

If a student is not hearing anything about their Canada Student loan, he or she should inquire about it at the Undergraduate Awards Office because they act as a liaison and could tell you when it will arrive. However, if the student absolutely cannot wait for the arrival of their Canada Student Loan, there is possible funding available through the Undergraduate Awards Office.

There is also a university loan program which offers an average of \$4000 in loans to students who did not receive what they expected from their Canada Student Loan. To be eligible to apply, the student must have studied at least one term and must be passing.

Ms. Wiesner said that there is funding available in emergency or accidental circumstances where a student needs money because there has been a fire or they have been robbed, etc. The other program serves to carry the student over until the arrival of some income. This is only in critical cases and there is no specific criteria since each case is very individual.

All of these loan programs function like a normal loan which include the negotiations and repayment at a substantially lower interest rate.

Ms. Wiesner feels that it is important that all students who need help know that they are available for counseling and advising about debt loads, repayments, possible dealings with banks and credit information.

The first university loan interview period for 1985-86 will be held on October 15.

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