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TOP TOURNAMENTS

European Cup: Socar Azerbaijan once again started as favourites in the European Club Cup, but the Russian team Siberia was hardly any weaker. In the decisive match Kramnik secured an important point against Topalov. Vladimir Kramnik has annotated this key game for us. Further annotations have been provided by Bartel, Gormally, Krasenkov, Meulders, Mokal, Pavlovic, Postny, Roiz, Shah, Stohl, Swiercz and Szabo.

World Cup: Once more the tournament, using the K.O. format, brought forth extremely entertaining as well as also high-class games. In the all-Russian final, Sergej Karjakin was victorious over Peter Svidler. One of the heroes of the tournament was Pavel Eljanov. The ChessBase author ejected, for example, Grischuk, Jakovenko and Nakamura from the tournament and managed to gain over 30 Elo points. The Ukrainian has analysed for us his victory against the American. You will also find on the DVD annotations by Edouard, Ftacnik, Havasi, Krasenkov, Marin, Mokal, Pavlovic, Roiz, Sethuraman, Stohl, Szabo and Wagner. The report on the DVD also includes 17 daily summaries by Daniel King.



Pavel Eljanov: one of the heroes of the World Cup

Other tournaments: The four-man tournament in Bilbao ended as a draw between Wesley So and Anish Giri. So was able to take the blitz chess play-off. Also, in what is already the 16th Karpov Tournament in Poikovsky, the final placings saw Korobov and Bologan finish together on the same number of points. Viktor Bologan and Emil Sutovsky have each analysed in detail their best performance.

OPENINGS (see also booklet from p. 9)

Marin: English Double Fianchetto

Schandorff: English 4.g3 Bb4

Sagar Shah: Modern Defence 3...d5



Sagar Shah discusses the amazing 3...d5, Krishnan Sasikiran (photo) is one of the few GMs to have played the move until now

Souleidis: Caro-Kann Panov Attack 6.Bf4

Ris: Sicilian Wing Gambit



Kamran Shirazi (photo) is one of the great specialists in the Wing Gambit. Robert Ris has a few surprising evaluations

Szabo: Sicilian Moscow Variation

Moskalenko: French McCutcheon

Breutigam: Vienna Game 3.f4



Jonny Hector (photo) has 27 games with 3.f4, but Martin Breutigam shows that White should avoid play it

Rotstein: Philidor Defence 6.g3

Stohl: Open Catalan 10.Bg5

Kuzmin: King's Indian Classical 9.a4

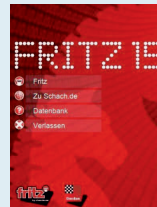
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With his super performance (4.5 out of 5) Vladimir Kramnik led his team Siberia to victory in the cup

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The new Fritz 15 contains an engine by Vasily Rajlich. The appearance of the new program has massively extended the range of the Premium Account

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Williams: Move by Move

Simon Williams' training this time involves the recent game Ding Liren-Wei Yi (Baku 2015). In the interactive video format you have the opportunity to find the correct moves.

Rogozenco: The classic

In his Classic video German national trainer Dorian Rogozenco shows us the game Janowski-Capablanca, New York 1916.

Marin: Strategy – “The strength of doubled pawns”

In his column Mihail Marin defines situations in which doubled pawns constitute a strength. It includes numerous examples and classical training questions, as well as an introductory video.

Reeh: Tactics – “Stunning and exemplary!”

Oliver Reeh's article contains 28 games studied with numerous training questions and an introductory text with links to all the games. In addition there are two videos in interactive format.

Müller: Endgames – “Good knight, bad bishop”

Karsten Müller's column contains two introductory texts, 19 annotated endgames, many training questions and five classical videos. In addition, the endgames expert from Hamburg has recorded an endgame in the interactive format.

Knaak: the Opening Trap

Rainer Knaak's opening trap (including a Fritz-trainer video) contains five recent traps.

Openings videos (see also p. 25)

Erwin IAmi: Dutch 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.Bg5 d5

Mihail Marin: King's Indian Makogonov Variation

Alexei Shirov: Caro-Kann Advance Variation

Service

New products with videos of the DVDs by Bologan, Eljanov, Kasimdzhanov, Luther/Jordan, Marin, Tiviakov.

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