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# FIRST GOLD TO EASTERN EUROPE



Alexandra Kosteniuk

On Sunday evening the first two national anthems were heard in the Convention Hall No. 3 of the BICC. They were the well-known hymn of the Russian Federation and the less well-known anthem of its neighbour state Ukraine. This was in celebration of the first two gold medals won at these 1st World Mind Sports Games.

Both finals were a completely Eastern European affair. The countries of Eastern Europe have been dominating the world chess scene for many decades already, as was proved again here in Beijing. For this occasion, both Alexandra Kosteniuk and Martyn Kravtsov dressed up elegantly to receive their gold medals.



Martyn Kravtsov



## Today's Programs

### Bridge

Open Teams, Women Teams, Senior Teams:

At CNCC:

11.00 hrs – 13.20 hrs.: Round Robin, round 10

14.20 hrs – 16.40 hrs.: Round Robin, round 11

17.10 hrs – 19.30 hrs.: Round Robin, round 12

Junior Teams, played at BICC:

Under 21, Under 26 and Under 28:

10.30 hrs – 12.50 hrs.: Round Robin, round 10

14.20 hrs – 16.40 hrs.: Round Robin, round 11

17.30 hrs – 19.50 hrs.: Round Robin, round 12

### Chess

Rapid men, rapid women:

10.00 hrs. -13.30 hrs: Rounds 8-9

15.00 hrs. -16.30 hrs: Semifinals

### Draughts

100 square men and 100 square women:

14.00 hrs.: Round 6

### Go

Individual, men:

10.00 hrs. – 13.30 hrs.: Eighth finals

15.00 hrs. – 18.30 hrs.: Quarter finals

Individual, women:

10.00 hrs. – 13.30 hrs.: Round 5

15.00 hrs. – 18.30 hrs.: Round 6

Individual, open:

10.00 hrs. – 13.30 hrs.: Round 3

15.00 hrs. – 18.30 hrs.: Round 4

### Xiangqi

Individual, men:

09.00 hrs. – 12.00 hrs.: Round 1

15.00 hrs. – 18.00 hrs.: Round 2

Individual, women:

09.00 hrs. – 12.00 hrs.: Round 3

15.00 hrs. – 18.00 hrs.: Round 4

## Chess Results

### Individual Rapid preliminary Ranking after 7 Rounds

WOMEN			MEN		
1	Stefanova A.	BUL 6,5	1	Zhang Zhong	SIN 6,5
2	Zhao Xue	CHN 6,0	2	Wang Hao	CHN 5,0
3	Huang Qian	CHN 5,0	3	Bartel Mateusz	POL 4,5
4	Houska Jovanka	ENG 5,0	4	Korobov Anton	UKR 4,5
5	Kosteniuk A.	RUS 4,5	5	Adianto Utut	INA 4,5
6	Pogonina N.	RUS 4,5	6	Fier Alexandr	BRA 4,5
7	Hou Yifan	CHN 4,5	7	Drozдовskij Y.	UKR 4,5
8	Harika D.	IND 4,5	8	Kryvoruchko Y.	UKR 4,5
9	Li Ruofan	SIN 4,5	9	Bu Xiangzhi	CHN 4,0
10	Dembo Yelena	GRE 4,5	10	Sandipan C.	IND 4,0
11	Zawadzka J.	POL 4,5	11	Zhou Jianchao	CHN 4,0
12	Hoang Thanh	HUN 4,0	12	Balogh Csaba	HUN 4,0
13	Xu Yuhua	CHN 4,0	13	Banikas Hristos	GRE 4,0
14	Dworakowska J.	POL 4,0	14	Ni Hua	CHN 4,0
15	Gaponenko I.	UKR 4,0	15	Wang Yue	CHN 3,5
16	Vasilevich T.	UKR 4,0	16	Paragua Mark	PHI 3,5
17	Borosova Z.	SVK 4,0	17	Le Quang Liem	VIE 3,5
18	Swathi Ghate	IND 4,0	18	Nguyen Ngoc	VIE 3,5
19	Kovanova Baira	RUS 4,0	19	Gurevich M.	TUR 3,5
20	Shen Yang	CHN 4,0	20	Aveskulov V.	UKR 3,5

## Live draughts



Tanja Chub

Twenty out of eighty games of each round in the international draughts tournament are being live broadcasted. You can see them in the tiny analysis room next to the playing area. The draughts enthusiasts not present in this arena can see each and every move while keeping their eyes peeled on the internet. The website of their choice is [www.wmsg-draughts.org](http://www.wmsg-draughts.org)

In the fourth round an interesting game to watch was the meeting of Tanja Chub from the Netherlands and the Latvian leader of the group at the start of the round: Zoja Golubeva. Chub chose a brilliant plan in the middle game: from a difficult position, she forced her respectable opponent (a ninefold world champion) in an endgame in which Golubeva was two pieces behind, but close to king. However, promotion was only possible after sacrificing another piece, giving Chub a major advantage, which she securely exchanged for a win.

In the men's tournament, Alexander Getmanski from Russia beat Pim Meurs. This Dutch talent probably was not aware that it was Getmanski's birthday, for there were no presents on the draughts board. Meurs went for the attack directly from the opening, but the Russian grandmaster's counter-attack came quickly. The struggle for the center was then won by Getmanski, so Meurs's only refuge was an endgame with two pieces less. In this, Getmanski showed his accuracy and didn't make a single mistake, thereby forcing Meurs to resign after more than five hours of play. The online spectators then had a one-hour break before a new round with 20 games was there to watch.

Top of the tournament after 4 rounds:

### Forbidden City (men)

7 points: Georgiev

6 points: Valneris, Seck, Kirzner, Gulyaev, Shchegolev, Mogilianski, Pierre, Ndjofang

### Great Wall (men)

7 points: Tokusarov, Getmanski, Anikeev, Ba

6 points: Chishov, Cordier

### Summer Palace (women)

7 points: Chub

6 points: Hoekman, Golubeva, Platonova, Balthazi, Tkachenko, Pashkievitch, Nogovitsyna, Danilova, Milshina

## WMSG Press Conference

*Jos Jacobs reports from Beijing's BICC*

On Thursday afternoon, the Organizing Committee of the 1st World Mind Sports Games held a Press Conference on the second floor of the BICC. In a packed conference room, Mr Chu Bo welcomed everyone on behalf of the Committee and then handed the microphone to Mrs Xiao Min, assistant Minister of General Sports Administration in China. In her welcome address, she presented a review of the preparations made to ensure the success of this event, the third major sports competition in Beijing following the Olympic Games and the Paralympics. The China General Administration of Sport and its Board and Card Games Administrative Center have cooperated with the People's Government of Beijing and the Municipal Bureau of Sports to organize all aspects of this event for the nearly 3,000 players and about 600 staff people involved, representing no less than 143 countries in all.

Next, Mr Liu Siming, the Director General of the Board and Card Games Administrative Center, took the microphone to welcome the audience. He drew attention to the fact that the preparations of these Games only started in May 2007, so a tremendous job had been done in a relatively short time. Then, he gave some important details about the various sports competitions.

In all, 35 gold medals will be awarded: 9 for Bridge, 10 for Chess, 6 for Go, 5 for Draughts and 5 for Xiangqi. There will also be a trophy of honour, awarded by the IMSA to the country ranking first in the final Gold Medals and medals standings.

The Organizing Committee's job was enlightened because they could profit from the experience gained by the Beijing Olympic Organizing Committee about the working method and mode for press and publicity. The Committee also cooperated with Air China, the WMSG global partner, in the field of air tickets service to overseas players. Shanghai General Motors Buick is the sponsor of WMSG vehicles. China Network Communications Group provides network equipment and service. Aigo provides Miaobi products and technical services as the exclusive provider of the digital products and storage devices. Yongming Pearl Palace Co. Ltd. from Naning, Guangxi, provides pearl gifts for the 1st WMSG. Grace Pearl Co. Ltd. provides special gifts for the 1st WMSG. Anta provides uniforms for the Chinese delegation and staff. Motorola China Electronics provides wireless communication products. Nestle provides beverages for the Chinese delegation. Zhuyeqing Tea will be the exclusive tea gifts for the Games. Star Chess and Cards Zhejiang provides games equipments.

Finally, Mr José Damiani, the IMSA President, thanked the Organizing Committee and the people of Beijing and China for their fine achievements so far. He then confirmed the plan to award a trophy to the country winning most gold medals and informed the audience there would also be trophies for the

country winning most gold medals in each separate sport.

In the second part of the Press Conference, the journalists present were given the opportunity to ask questions to the ladies and gentlemen behind the green table. As a number of journalists from various Chinese media, both TV and newspapers, asked a few specific questions, some interesting points were made in the various replies.

For example, Mr Damiani made it very clear that he felt much happier and more relaxed now about this event than when the same journalist, Mr Xu Xun, asked him this same question one year ago. He would hopefully feel even more relaxed, Mr Damiani added, in a fortnight's time from now...

Another issue raised were the requirements a Mind Sport should meet with to become a member of the IMSA. Basically, there are two main criteria. The game should not contain any element of luck rather than ability and skill, and the game should preferably be spread over all continents of the world. Bridge and Chess, already recognised by the IOC, easily meet with both these criteria; Draughts and Go are both spread over various parts over the world as well, though possibly played less frequently everywhere. Xiangqi is not yet a member of the IMSA, due to the fact that as it stands today, it is restricted to some big parts of Asia only. Still, it is very frequently played, as the number of players in China alone already stands at about 100 million (!). Its inclusion in this 1st WMSG may well lead to the game becoming much better known outside Asia too. Here in China, Xiangqi is a popular enough game even on TV: in the province of

Inner Mongolia, they even have a TV channel fully dedicated to Xiangqi.

These WMSG are an excellent occasion, more generally speaking, for each Mind Sport to get better known among the players competing here in a different discipline. A good example of the opposite of Xiangqi would be Draughts: this game was practically unknown in China before these WMSG were being staged in this country, so fond of board and card games. It is estimated that every day, an average of 80 million Chinese are playing all types of card and board games, both luck and skill games, online.

A very special question was the one in which Mr Damiani was invited to make a prediction about which country would win the 1st overall IMSA Trophy. Mr Damiani's personal, careful prediction was that this might very well be the hosts!

A warm word of "Thank You" by Mr Chu Bo, in which Mrs Xiao Min, Mr Liu Siming and Mr José Damiani gracefully joined, then concluded the Press Conference.



# Sunshine and Go!

Based on a story by James Davies

## The Open Event

The third day of the Games featured a return to sunshine and blue skies and the beginning of the open event in the go section. Open means open only to amateurs, and many of the non-Asian countries put their best players into this event. One of these is Fernando Aguilar, the Argentine who beat two 9-dan pros in the first Toyota and Denso Cup. Playing on the top board in block A, he found himself matched against 2005 world amateur champion Hu Yuqing of China, and went down to defeat. More successful was British 6-dan Tony Goddard, who defeated 5-dan Io Kingpeng of Macau China. In some other closely-matched games, Georghe Cornel Burzo of Romania defeated Milos Bojanic of Serbia, Jo Taewon of DPR Korea defeated Kuo Naifu of Chinese Taipei, and Yen Tingyu of Singapore defeated Chan Naisan of Hong Kong China.

Standings of this event will regularly appear from tomorrow onwards.

## The Men's individual event

In the men's individual event, a Korean finally lost: Baek Honguk was defeated by Yamada Kimio of Japan, who is now owns the lead in block C.

Elsewhere, Wang Xi (China) defeated Michael Redmond (USA) in block E; Wang Mingwan (O Meien) of Chinese Taipei handed Yang Shihai of Hong Kong China his second defeat in block F; and in the battle of unbeaten players in block G Park Younghun of the Republic of Korea won against Sakai Hideyuki of Japan. There is now one undefeated player in each of the eight blocks, but the question of who will continue into the best-of-sixteen final knockout will be decided by the results of the sixth round this afternoon, with much depending on SOS tie-break points.

## The women's individual event

In the third round of the women's individual event, Australian pro Joanne Missingham notched her third straight victory, this time beating Pan Kunyu of Chinese Taipei, who plays professionally in Japan. Fellow-Australian Xuehi (Cathy) Zhang also won, defeating pro Kan Ying of Hong Kong. Of the three high-flying DPR Korean women, only Hwang Kyongju emerged unscathed from this round, defeating Yoshihara (Umezawa) Yukari of Japan. In the next round Hwang will test herself against the world's best: Rui Naiwei of China, who now plays professionally in the Republic of Korea.

Group 1 - Men		
Name	NOC	CP.
DONG YOON KANG	KOR	10
<td>RUS</td> <td>8</td>	RUS	8
TOMOYASU MIMURA	JPN	8
YAoyE CHEN	CHN	8
ZBYNEK DACH	CZE	6
KAI TAI CHAN	HKG	6
B. ZHURAKOVSKIY	UKR	6
MIIKA NIKULA	FIN	6
ANTOLINEZ ANTOLIN	ESP	6
CHIN-HUA PENG	TPE	6
KUOK WANG CHAN	MAC	6
YIMING GUO	AUS	6

Group 2 - Men		
Name	NOC	CP.
JIN SEUK MOK	KOR	10
LIONEL ZHANG	USA	8
RUIYANG ZHOU	CHN	8
YI-HSIU LEE	TPE	8
RAPHAEL SHIN	AUS	8
ANDRII KRIVETS	UKR	6
FRANCESCO MARIGO	ITA	6
UFFE RASMUSSEN	DEN	6
VALENTIN SERBAN	ROM	6
MIKA URTELA	FIN	6
PAL BALOGH	HUN	6

Group 1 - Women		
Name	NOC	CP.
AKIKO INA	JPN	6
XUE HUI ZHANG	AUS	6
MIN JIN LEE	KOR	6
YING KAN	HKG	4
XIAOREN HE	CAN	4
M. ZAKHARCHENKO	UKR	4
BARBARA KNAUF	GER	4
TINA ZHANG	USA	4
R. JOSEFINA PAGESCHI	ARG	4
P. CHUAN LING, KAREN	SIN	4
JIN A RO	PRK	4

Group 2 - Women		
Name	NOC	CP.
NAIWEI RUI	CHN	6
JI EUN PARK	KOR	6
KYONG JU HWANG	PRK	6
JING-YI WANG	TPE	4
CHERRY SHEN	USA	4
YUKARI YOSHIHARA	JPN	4
MANUELA MARZ	GER	4
ELVINA KALSBERG	RUS	4
EWA MOS	POL	4
W. NAWARUK	THA	4
JANA HRICOVA	CZE	4

Group 3 - Men		
Name	NOC	CP.
KIMIO YAMADA	JPN	10
HONG SUK BAEK	KOR	8
WEI CHENG	CAN	8
SONG WON KIM	PRK	8
ALI JABARIN	ISR	6
WEI HE	AUS	6
CESAR MUNOZ	ESP	6
PIERS SHEPPERSON	GBR	6
THOMAS DEBARRE	FRA	6
HUIREN YANG	USA	6
MERO CSABA	HUN	6
JAN SIMARA	CZE	6

Group 4 - Men		
Name	NOC	CP.
LI GU	CHN	10
LIH-CHEN WANG	TPE	8
LEE CHENG CHI	NZL	8
HON HUNG SIU	HKG	8
XINYU TU	USA	6
ONDREJ KRUML	CZE	6
XENOS KHAN	CAN	6
M. HALCHENKO	UKR	6
NIKOLA MITIC	SRB	6
TOBIAS BERBEN	GER	6
ALEXANDRE AMARO	BRA	6
ZHAN BIN KANG	SIN	6

Group 3 - Women		
Name	NOC	CP.
RITA POCSAI	HUN	6
JOANNE MISSINGHAM	AUS	6
YOUYIN CAO	CHN	6
MARTINA SIMUNKOVA	CZE	4
YUCONG PHEASE	NZL	4
SVETLANA SHIKSHINA	RUS	4
KUN-YU PAN	TPE	4
MARIKA DUBIEL	POL	4
YU MI KIM	PRK	4
LOK YI LEE	HKG	4
D. CORNUEJOLS	FRA	4

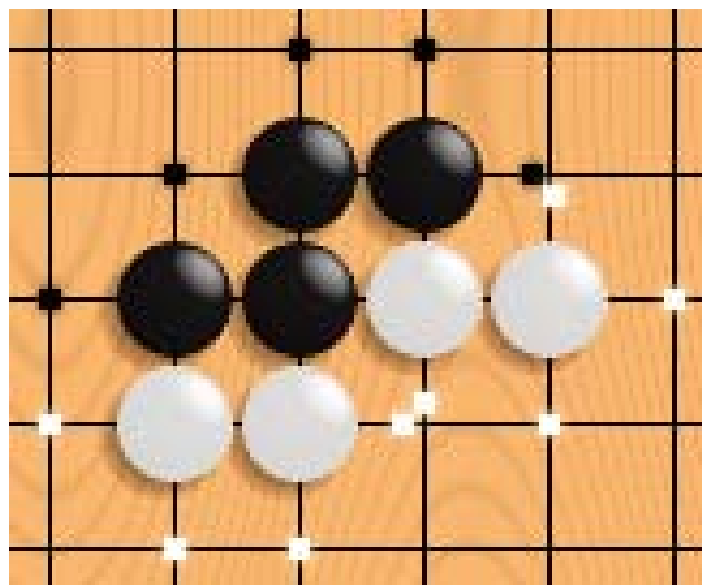
Group 4 - Women		
Name	NOC	CP.
NATALIA KOVALEVA	RUS	6
RONGHUI SONG	CHN	6
HSIAO-TUNG LIN	TPE	6
SEUL A LEE	KOR	4
KANA MANNAMI	JPN	4
L. AUGUSTINA AVRAM	ROM	4
KLARA ZALOUDKOVA	CZE	4
S.YING TUNG LAU	HKG	4
NGOC-TRANG CAO	FRA	4
WEI CHEN	AUS	4
DIANA KOSZEGI	HUN	4

Group 5 - Men		
Name	NOC	CP.
XI WANG	CHN	10
HIROSHI YAMASHIRO	JPN	8
MENG HOU CHEONG	MAC	8
MATEUSZ SURMA	POL	8
MICHAEL REDMOND	USA	8
NIKOLA EVTIC	SRB	6
JUN FAN	CAN	6
YONG JIN RI	PRK	6
KAIKUN (KEN) XIE	NZL	6
ARTEM DUGIN	RUS	6
SERGII RYDZEL	UKR	6
N.AROONPHAICHITRA	THA	6

Group 6 - Men		
Name	NOC	CP.
JUNG SANG PARK	KOR	10
DMYTRO IATSENKO	UKR	8
XIANYU LI	CAN	8
MING-WAN WANG	TPE	8
SHI HAI YANG	HKG	6
WEI QIAN	AUS	6
WAN KAO LOU	MAC	6
R. SAKHABUTDINOV	RUS	6
MATTHEW BURRALL	USA	6
DRAGAN PAUNIC	BIH	6
DUSAN MITIC	SRB	6

Group 7 - Men		
Name	NOC	CP.
YOUNG HUN PARK	KOR	10
HIDEYUKI SAKAI	JPN	8
M. MACFADYEN	GBR	8
ZHE LI	CHN	8
MIJODRAG STANKOVIC	SRB	6
MATTI SIIVOLA	FIN	6
IGNACIO CANGAS	ESP	6
EMILIO GALICIA	MEX	6
JANNIK RASMUSSEN	DEN	6
JAN HORA	CZE	6
BRAM KOSTER	NED	6

Group 8 - Men		
Name	NOC	CP.
XING LIU	CHN	10
NAOTO HIKOSAKA	JPN	8
LUCIAN CORLAN	ROM	8
LI-YU CHANG	TPE	8
XAVER GUBAS	SVK	6
GERARDUS GROENEN	NED	6
TENGXIAO WU	FRA	6
DONG MING LIU	AUS	6
JONG HYOK CHA	PRK	6
APIDET JIRASORHIN	THA	6
TUNG TSANG	HKG	6



## A Charm Named “Xiangqi Spirit”

by Liu Yanan



It is the venue of Xiangqi men’s rapid, being held on the 1st day of the World Mind Sports Games. Here the wise men and famous players are gathering in the Arena. The intense atmosphere can be felt even from the 1st set of the 1st round as if one move is enough to win everything.

Apart from the Chinese players in red, the most striking to me is the oldest person present at the venue: the delegate of Honduras, Mr. Yi Kam Siu. He is often called Mr. Yu Kuai, which means “happy” in Chinese.

The first meeting with Mr. Yu Kuai was at the Drawing Lots Ceremony, Oct. 3rd, which made an indelible impression on me. He is an old man who is always busy and vigorous; but he is also the one who would always forget where the Xiangqi competition venue is. He is an ethnic Chinese who can speak fluently Guangdong dialect, English and Spanish; but he is also the one that persists in talking to us in his broken Chinese. He is a friend who always greets and smiles at the volunteers every time he passes by.

With all the cordial and honorable feeling, I started the talk with Mr. Yu Kuai after the closing of the 1st day’s competition.

He told me he is the secretary of the Yee Fung Toy Society of Montreal Chinese Chess Association. Xiangqi is a career to him. He also told me that playing Xiangqi is even more toilsome than physical exercises; the intense situation can always make him nervous or even soaked with sweat; in spite of all that he still feels exhilarative. In the last twenty years, he has returned three times to his motherland. This time well across the distances and spaces he came back again for Xiangqi. Xiangqi is his love towards China.

Mr. Yu Kuai’s performance at the games is not very ideal, but he is still the focus of attention for many people. There is a charm named “Xiangqi Spirit” in him. That is the spirit of equanimity, aspiration and persistence, which is sparkling around the whole venue.

## World Xiangqi Federation

The World Xiangqi Federation, abbreviated as WXF, was founded on April 6th, 1993 during the 3rd World Xiangqi Championships in Beijing, China. The current President is Timothy Fok; the First Vice-President is Liu Siming (also the President of the Chinese Xiangqi Association); and the Secretary General is Liu Xiaofang (female, also the Secretary General of the Chinese Xiangqi Association). The Secretariat is located in Beijing.

The objectives of the World Xiangqi Federation are:

1. to promote the development of Xiangqi in the world, to organize and develop xiangqi activities internationally.
2. to encourage and assist the xiangqi organizations affiliated to the Federation to organize diversified xiangqi activities.
3. to promote exchanges and cooperation among xiangqi organizations in various countries (regions) through xiangqi activities, to enhance friendship among peoples as well as xiangqi fans of all nations.

The Executive Committee Members hold an office of a period of four years, and may be re-elected. The Executive Committee consists of six permanent working units: the Secretariat, the Study Sub-Committee, the Financial Sub-Committee, the Popularization Sub-Committee, the Competition Sub-Committee, and the Qualification Sub-Committee. The Secretary General is in charge of the Secretariat and is responsible for the day-to-day affairs of the Federation.

The World Xiangqi Championship is organized biennially. 23 member associations of the Federation participated in the 10th World Xiangqi Championship held in Paris, 2007.

The World Xiangqi Federation and the xiangqi activities organized by the Federation respect the International Mind Sports Association and agree with its objectives and aims as well as the General Principles of the World Mind Sports Games.



## Xiangqi Contest Winners List 象棋竞赛获奖名单

Events 项目	 金牌	 银牌	 铜牌
Men Rapid 男子快棋	 <b>CHN</b> 中国	 <b>CHN</b> 中国	 <b>HKG</b> 中国香港
	Wang Yang 汪洋	Jiang Chuan 蒋川	Chiu Yu Kuen 赵汝权



Wang Yang



Jiang Chuan, Wang Yang, Chiu Yu Kuen



### Ranking of Men's Rapid Xiangqi 男子象棋快棋赛名次公布

Rank 名次	Team 代表队	Name 姓名	match point 场分	Total game points 总局分	Victory game 胜局
1	CHN 中国	Wang Yang 汪洋	17	33	15
2	CHN 中国	Jiang Chuan 蒋川	15	29	13
3	HKG 中国香港	Chiu Yu Kuen 赵汝权	13	25	12
4	SIN 新加坡	Kng Ter Yong 康德荣	12	25	11
5	USA 美国	Mou,Hai Qin 牟海勤	12	23	10
6	TPE 中华台北	Chiang,Chung-Hao 江中豪	12	22	9
7	TPE 中华台北	Chen,Li-Feng 陈立丰	11	22	11
8	ARG 阿根廷	Lu,Liangcheng 吕良成	11	22	11
9	HKG 中国香港	Wong Hok Him 黄学谦	11	22	10
10	VIE 越南	Nguyen Thanh Bao 阮成保	11	22	9
11	VIE 越南	Nguyen Vu Quan 阮武军	11	20	7
12	AUS 澳大利亚	张高扬 Gaoyang Zhang	10	21	10
13	FRA 法国	Phung Kim Dang 冯丹	10	21	10
14	ITA 意大利	He Zhimin 何志敏	10	20	10
15	GER 德国	Pu Fangyao 濮方尧	10	20	9
16	NED 荷兰	Ye Rongguang 叶荣光	10	20	8
17	USA 美国	Ji,Jia Qing 纪嘉庆	10	19	9
18	FRA 法国	Dang Nicolas 邓清志	9	20	8
19	CAN 加拿大	Ho Shing Kin 何成坚	9	19	9



### Ranking of Men's Rapid Xiangqi 男子象棋快棋赛名次公布

Rank 名次	Team 代表队	Name 姓名	match point 场分	Total game points 总局分	Victory game 胜局
20	MAC 澳门	Choi Houwa 徐浩华	9	18	9
21	MAC 澳门	Chan Chioweng 陈钊荣	9	18	7
22	CAN 加拿大	Lin Junwei 林君维	9	17	7
23	GBR 英国	Chen Fazuo 陈发佐	9	17	7
24	MYA 缅甸	Yang Chounmyint 杨春勉	8	18	8
25	NED 荷兰	Hsu Wei Kuo 徐伟国	8	16	8
26	FIN 芬兰	Jouni Ramo	8	14	6
27	MYA 缅甸	尹先云	7	17	7
28	FIN 芬兰	Mikko Tornqvist 邓明高	7	16	7
29	HON 洪都拉斯	Yi Kam Siu 余快	7	14	7
30	RUS 俄罗斯	Galochkin Sergey	7	14	6
31	AUS 澳大利亚	Shijie Zhu 祝师杰	7	13	6
32	JPN 日本	Yamanaka Joji 山中让治	7	13	6
33	GER 德国	Andreas Klein	6	13	6
34	JPN 日本	Kumano Kazunobu 熊野和伸	6	13	6
35	RUS 俄罗斯	Zorin Daniil	5	11	5
36	UKR 乌克兰	Viktor Shevchuk	5	9	4
37	UKR 乌克兰	Volodymyr Korsak	4	8	4
38		Bye 轮空	0	0	0

## About Go

*By courtesy of the International Go Federation*



The history of Go stretches back some 3000 years, and the rules have remained essentially unchanged throughout this very long period. The game probably originated in China or the Himalayas. Mythology has it that the future of Tibet was once decided over a Go board, when the Buddhist ruler refused to go into battle; instead he challenged the aggressor to a game of Go to avoid bloodshed. In the Far East, where it originated, Go enjoys great popularity today, and interest in the game is growing steadily.

Go is a territorial game. The board, marked with a grid of 19 lines by 19 lines, may be thought of as a piece of land to be shared between the two players. One player has a supply of black pieces, called stones, the other a supply of white. The game starts with an empty board and the players take turns, placing one stone at each turn on a vacant point. Black plays first, and the stones are placed on the intersections of the lines rather than in the squares. Once played, stones are not moved. However they may be surrounded and so captured, in which case they are removed from the board as prisoners.

The players normally start by staking out their claims to parts of the board which they intend eventually to surround and thereby make into territory. However, fights between enemy groups of stones provide much of the excitement in a game, and can result in dramatic exchanges of

territory. At the end of the game the players count one point for each vacant intersection inside their own territory, and one point for every stone they have captured. The one with the larger total is the winner.

Capturing stones is certainly one way of gaining territory, but one of the subtleties of Go is that aggression does not always pay. The strategic and tactical possibilities of the game are endless, providing a challenge and enjoyment to players at every level. The personalities of the players emerge very clearly on the Go board. The game reflects the skills of the players in balancing attack and defence, making stones work efficiently, remaining flexible in response to changing situations, timing, analysing accurately and recognising the strengths and weaknesses of the opponent.

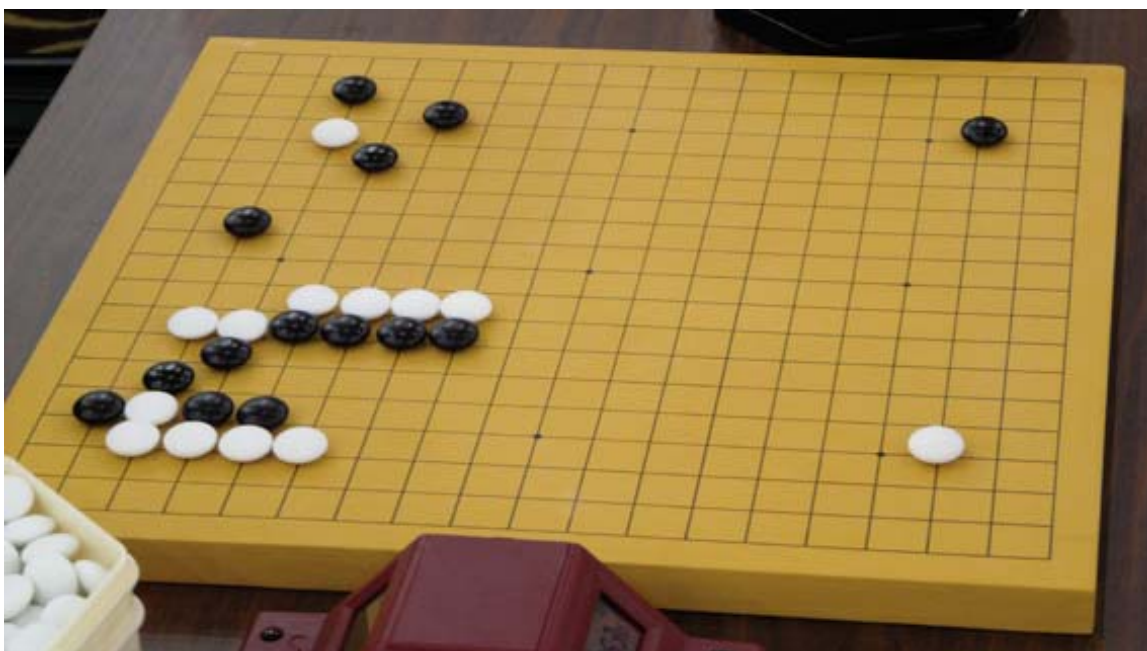
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