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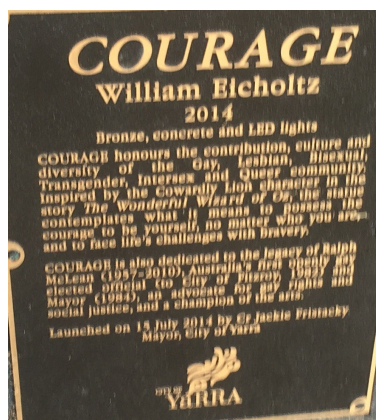
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Round 6 of the Championships saw Kanan Izzat once again win on top board, this time against FM Luke Li. In a theoretical position, Li came up with a novelty 14.0-0-0, however it was unfortunately a poor move & Izzat's Queen, Knight & Rook were soon harassing Li's king & Li had little choice but to resign. Karl Zelesco did both his title & IM norm chances no harm, maintaining his second place after a win over Anton Smirnov on the white side of the exchange variation of the Queen's Gambit. Bobby Cheng & Vasily Papin both won their games to move into a share of third place.

On the middle boards, Yita Choong & Eugene Schon played the wild Botvinnik variation of the Semi-Slav, which has the potential for exciting chess & unusual material imbalances! However both players were content to follow the theoretically recommended lines & the game ended in an exciting looking draw, with the final position seeing Choong down two rooks, while Schon's king was unable to find shelter from Choong's knight, ending the game on the b5 square! Of course post-game research showed that it had all been played 20 years previously by Veselin Topalov & Vladimir Kramnik!

In the reserves, Michael Kethro & Patrick Gong won their games against Alexandra Jule & Clive Ng respectively to retain their share of the lead, while Kris Chan was held to a draw by Adam Kelly to slip into a tie for third place, half a point behind the leaders. Chan was joined in third place by Bobby Yu & Kyle Gibson, who both won their games on lower boards to move into serious contention for the tournament! Although the first half of the tournament may have established the favourites for the event, with so many players near the lead & half a point making such a difference to the standings, there are still a large contingent of players who can win the event.

*When you have finished your game, why not have a look around Fitzroy? There is an eclectic range of art for all tastes, as well as plenty of places to eat & drink!*



### Championship Round 6 Results

1 Izzat, Kanan	2480 2521 [5]	1:0	Li, Zuhao (Luke)	2311 2359 [4]
2 Zelesco, Karl	2278 2340 [4]	1:0	Smirnov, Anton	2465 2482 [3.5]
3 Hu, Jason	2121 2162 [3.5]	0:1	Papin, Vasily	2480 2536 [3.5]
4 Morris, James	2422 2461 [3.5]	0:1	Cheng, Bobby	2417 2465 [3.5]
5 Ikeda, Junta	2390 2430 [3]	1:0	Wallis, Christopher	2327 2371 [3]
6 McClymont, Brodie	2347 2462 [3]	1:0	Dragicevic, Domagoj	2197 2233 [3]
7 Dale, Ari	2310 2354 [3]	1:0	Johansen, Darryl K	2404 2463 [2.5]
8 Choong, Yita	2219 2336 [2.5]	½:½	Schon, Eugene	2332 2312 [2.5]
9 Canfell, Gregory J	2323 2356 [2.5]	1:0	Maguire, Tom	1983 2045 [2.5]
10 Chow, Samuel	2301 2345 [2.5]	1:0	Puccini, Jack	2192 2249 [2.5]
11 Rujevic, Mirko	2252 2271 [2.5]	½:½	Loh, Zachary	2220 2231 [2]
12 Illingworth, Max	2517 2597 [2]	1:0	Solomon, Stephen J	2386 2417 [2]
13 Tan, Justin	2446 2415 [2]	1:0	Stojic, Dusan	2181 2261 [2]
14 Jordan, William	2184 2226 [2]	½:½	Nakauchi, Gene	2265 2313 [2]
15 Hacche, David J	2040 2082 [1]	0:1	Gorka, Carl	2149 2202 [1.5]
16 Pyke, Malcolm L	2034 2102 [.5]	½:½	Brown, Andrew	2271 2351 [1]
17 Nemeth, John	2099 2170 [.5]	1:0	Levi, Eddy L	2191 2247 [1]

### Reserves Round 6 Top Board Results

20 Jule, Alexandra	1997 2009 [4.5]	0:1	Kethro, Michael	2018 2107 [4.5]
21 Gong, Patrick	1915 2061 [4.5]	1:0	Ng, Clive	2002 2052 [4.5]
22 Chan, Kris	1990 1915 [4.5]	½:½	Kelly, Adam	1955 2031 [4]
23 Narenthran, Tharmaratnam	1993 1980 [4]	½:½	Crossman, Tom	1879 1889 [4]
24 Gibson, Kyle	1847 1876 [4]	1:0	Penrose, Justin	1927 1910 [4]
25 Yu, Bobby	1801 1829 [4]	1:0	Abbott, Peter	1913 1901 [4]
26 Davis, Tony J	1849 1897 [4]	½:½	Bhat, Vishal	1969 1794 [4]
27 Gong, Qiming	1498 1498 [4]	0:1	Mallari, Donato	1940 2013 [3.5]
28 Lekkas, Frank	2052 2111 [3.5]	1:0	Girgin, Ege	1881 1833 [3.5]
29 Spuler, David	1996 2036 [3.5]	½:½	Tsai, Charles	1949 1821 [3.5]
30 Hogg, Dean	1984 2014 [3.5]	½:½	Yung, Cameron	1853 1809 [3.5]
31 Setiabudi, Megan	1824 1767 [3.5]	1:0	Chan, Luis	2099 1995 [3.5]
32 Ahmer, Axel	1750 1972 [3.5]	0:1	Braguine, Victor	1875 1775 [3.5]
33 Peng, Shunkai	1938 1938 [3.5]	½:½	Chmiel, Rad	1810 1769 [3.5]
34 Watson, James	1591 1633 [3.5]	0:1	Ly, Thai	1928 1930 [3.5]
35 Bonham, Kevin	1895 [3.5]	0:1	Krstevski, Tristan	1802 1767 [3.5]
36 Voon, Richard	1800 1765 [3.5]	0:1	Quek, Kristine	2028 1877 [3.5]
37 Anderson, Alistair	1910 1842 [3.5]	½:½	Strickland, Rebecca	1611 1522 [3.5]
38 Au, Alexander	1555 1439 [3.5]	0:1	Broekhuyse, Paul	2056 2043 [3]
39 Guo, Zhi Lin	1765 1701 [3]	½:½	Schmitz, Andreas Arnold	2047 2047 [3]
40 Fry, Peter	1758 1692 [3]	½:½	Dalton, Samuel	1982 1972 [3]
41 Korenevski, Oleg	1881 1654 [3]	½:½	Carolyn-Unkovich, George	1932 1948 [3]
42 Harris, Anthony	1742 1667 [3]	0:1	Schmitz, Manuela	1915 1915 [3]
43 Johnson, Nicholas	1646 [3]	+:-	Hose, Shaun	1932 1894 [3]
44 Russell, Paul	1863 1878 [3]	1:0	Liu, David	1843 1599 [3]
45 Premathilaka, Kanishka	1785 1554 [3]	0:1	Stewart, Scott	1928 1870 [3]
46 Stewart, Clint	1531 [3]	0:1	Yang, Ray	1847 1821 [3]
47 Lilly, Richard	1758 1817 [3]	0:1	Parle, Hughston	1716 1640 [3]
48 Singh, Surjeet	1639 1527 [3]	1:0	Ghumman, Shumsheer	1841 1788 [3]
49 Zhong, Tony (Junhao)	1822 1773 [3]	1:0	Winkelman, Albert	1712 1580 [3]
50 Glissan, Paul	1800 1738 [3]	1:0	Husek, Nicholas	1461 1190 [3]