



2016 Australian Chess Championship

Bulletin 6 – Day 6 / Round 7
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Round 7 of the Australian Championships was the day before the rest day & it was one that saw a major change at the top of the leaderboard! IM Kanan Izzat, who won his first six games in the tournament, was defeated by Karl Zelesco after his tactical shot 23... Qxd5 had a serious hole in it! Zelesco found the best continuation 24. f4, won a piece & converted the advantage into a win to join Izzat in a share of first place. On other top boards, Vasily Papin & Bobby Cheng both won their games to move within half a point of the lead. Luke Li also had a nice win against Junta Ikeda to move to outright fourth place & keep himself in contention for a IM norm.

In the Reserves, tournament leaders Michael Kethro & Patrick Gong drew their game to remain tied for first place, while Kris Chan beat Kyle Gibson to join the two leaders in a three way tie for the lead. With another four players just half a point behind, the tournament is still very much up in the air.



A crowd gathers to watch the closing stages of the top board clash between FM Karl Zelesco & IM Kanan Izzat

A reminder to players that tomorrow is the rest day of the tournament – no games in the Championship or Reserves. The annual Australian Blitz championships is on at Melbourne Chess Club (66 Leicester St, Fitzroy, about 1 kilometre down the road from the Fitzroy Town Hall), starting at 2pm. There is a limited capacity, so please register beforehand to ensure your place in the event.

For those who are 'lucky' enough to be state delegates, the ACF National Conference will begin at 10am, also at Melbourne Chess Club.

Leading Scores

Championship

1-2	Kanan Izzat	AZE	6
	Karl Zelesco	VIC	6
3-4	Bobby Cheng	VIC	5.5
	Vasily Papin	RUS	5.5
5	Zuhao (Luke) Li	NZL	5

Reserves

1-3	Patrick Gong	WA	6
	Kris Chan	VIC	6
	Michael Kethro	ACT	6
4-7	Adam Kelly	WA	5.5
	Bobby Yu	VIC	5.5
	Vishal Bhat	VIC	5.5
	Donato Mallari	NSW	5.5

Championship Round 7 Results

1 Zelesco, Karl	2278 2340 [5]	1:0	Izzat, Kanan	2480 2521 [6]
2 Papin, Vasily	2480 2536 [4.5]	1:0	Dale, Ari	2310 2354 [4]
3 Cheng, Bobby	2417 2465 [4.5]	1:0	McClymont, Brodie	2347 2462 [4]
4 Li, Zuhao (Luke)	2311 2359 [4]	1:0	Ikeda, Junta	2390 2430 [4]
5 Smirnov, Anton	2465 2482 [3.5]	1:0	Canfell, Gregory J	2323 2356 [3.5]
6 Chow, Samuel	2301 2345 [3.5]	0:1	Morris, James	2422 2461 [3.5]
7 Tan, Justin	2446 2415 [3]	1:0	Hu, Jason	2121 2162 [3.5]
8 Dragicevic, Domagoj	2197 2233 [3]	0:1	Illingworth, Max	2517 2597 [3]
9 Schon, Eugene	2332 2312 [3]	½:½	Rujevic, Mirko	2252 2271 [3]
10 Wallis, Christopher	2327 2371 [3]	1:0	Choong, Yita	2219 2336 [3]
11 Johansen, Darryl K	2404 2463 [2.5]	½:½	Jordan, William	2184 2226 [2.5]
12 Maguire, Tom	1983 2045 [2.5]	0:1	Loh, Zachary	2220 2231 [2.5]
13 Puccini, Jack	2192 2249 [2.5]	½:½	Gorka, Carl	2149 2202 [2.5]
14 Nakauchi, Gene	2265 2313 [2.5]	½:½	Solomon, Stephen J	2386 2417 [2]
15 Stojic, Dusan	2181 2261 [2]	½:½	Pyke, Malcolm L	2034 2102 [1]
16 Levi, Eddy L	2191 2247 [1]	1:0	Brown, Andrew	2271 2351 [1.5]
17 Nemeth, John	2099 2170 [1.5]	½:½	Hacche, David J	2040 2082 [1]

Reserves Round 7 Top Board Results

20 Kethro, Michael	2018 2107 [5.5]	½:½	Gong, Patrick	1915 2061 [5.5]
21 Gibson, Kyle	1847 1876 [5]	0:1	Chan, Kris	1990 1915 [5]
22 Ng, Clive	2002 2052 [4.5]	½:½	Yu, Bobby	1801 1829 [5]
23 Crossman, Tom	1879 1889 [4.5]	½:½	Lekkas, Frank	2052 2111 [4.5]
24 Kelly, Adam	1955 2031 [4.5]	1:0	Davis, Tony J	1849 1897 [4.5]
25 Mallari, Donato	1940 2013 [4.5]	1:0	Quek, Kristine	2028 1877 [4.5]
26 Bhat, Vishal	1969 1794 [4.5]	1:0	Jule, Alexandra	1997 2009 [4.5]
27 Braguine, Victor	1875 1775 [4.5]	½:½	Narenthran, Tharmaratnam	1993 1980 [4.5]
28 Ly, Thai	1928 1930 [4.5]	½:½	Setiabudi, Megan	1824 1767 [4.5]
29 Krstevski, Tristan	1802 1767 [4.5]	½:½	Spuler, David	1996 2036 [4]
30 Broekhuysse, Paul	2056 2043 [4]	1:0	Yang, Ray	1847 1821 [4]
31 Chmiel, Rad	1810 1769 [4]	0:1	Hogg, Dean	1984 2014 [4]
32 Yung, Cameron	1853 1809 [4]	½:½	Peng, Shunkai	1938 1938 [4]
33 Schmitz, Manuela	1915 1915 [4]	½:½	Zhong, Tony (Junhao)	1822 1773 [4]
34 Penrose, Justin	1927 1910 [4]	1:0	Johnson, Nicholas	1646 [4]
35 Abbott, Peter	1913 1901 [4]	1:0	Singh, Surjeet	1639 1527 [4]
36 Strickland, Rebecca	1611 1522 [4]	1:0	Russell, Paul	1863 1878 [4]
37 Stewart, Scott	1928 1870 [4]	1:0	Glissan, Paul	1800 1738 [4]
38 Parle, Hughston	1716 1640 [4]	1:0	Anderson, Alistair	1910 1842 [4]
39 Tsai, Charles	1949 1821 [4]	1:0	Gong, Qiming	1498 1498 [4]
40 Schmitz, Andreas Arnold	2047 2047 [3.5]	1:0	Fry, Peter	1758 1692 [3.5]
41 Chan, Luis	2099 1995 [3.5]	1:0	Guo, Zhi Lin	1765 1701 [3.5]
42 Dalton, Samuel	1982 1972 [3.5]	1:0	O'Donoghue, Malachi	1754 1678 [3.5]
43 Korenevski, Oleg	1881 1654 [3.5]	½:½	Ahmer, Axel	1750 1972 [3.5]
44 Carolin-Unkovich, George	1932 1948 [3.5]	½:½	Watson, James	1591 1633 [3.5]
45 Therakam, Clint	1850 1685 [3.5]	0:1	Bonham, Kevin	1895 [3.5]
46 Girgin, Ege	1881 1833 [3.5]	1:0	Barber, Geoffrey	1754 1628 [3.5]
47 Young, Nathanael	1760 1626 [3.5]	1:0	Voon, Richard	1800 1765 [3.5]
48 Wilson, Callum	1615 [3.5]	0:1	Kalisch, Tom	1824 1764 [3.5]
49 Lovejoy, David	1857 1711 [3.5]	½:½	Au, Alexander	1555 1439 [3.5]
50 Haydn, Gavin	1831 1609 [3.5]	1:0	Anton, Sarah	1738 1703 [3.5]